

## Biography of Keynote Speaker

Mr. Danile Lai, BBS, JP

Venue:	Chiang Cheng Studio Theatre The Hong Kong Polytechnic University Hung Hom, Kowloon
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Daniel Lai is a seasoned IT professional with 40 years experience in information technology in Hong Kong and Australia covering systems engineering, IT operations, quality management, training, research and development. He is responsible for providing a vision for and strategic directions on IT at MTR. Prior to joining MTR in 1999, he held various senior IT managerial positions with The Hong Kong Jockey Club.

Daniel graduated from Hong Kong Polytechnic University in Management and Computing Studies and from Griffith University with a Master in Technology Management. Daniel has led many innovative and large scale IT projects and managed large computer installations. He has developed and implemented IT governance, programme and project management, and outsourcing frameworks. More recently, he has successfully led the IT integration works for the merger between MTR and KCR.

Daniel contributed significantly in promoting and developing the application of IT in Hong Kong and the region, he has held many positions in public services and educational institutions. His current appointments by HKSAR Government include Member of Quality Migrant Scheme Advisory Committee, HK Housing Authority Finance Committee, Criminal Court Users Advisory Committee etc. He is also Chairman of HKU SPACE Cyber Institute Advisory Board, Chairman of Hong Kong CIO Board, and Adjunct Professor of Graduate University of Chinese Academy of Sciences.

In recognition of his contribution to the development and promotion of IT in business and community, he was awarded Bronze Bauhinia Star (BBS) in 2004. He was awarded CIO Awards (Asia CIO Magazine) three times in 2003, 2005 and 2008, CIO of the Year by ZDnet in 2006, China Distinguished CIO Award 2007 (IT Manager magazine), IDC CIO of the year 2009, nominated a Computerworld Honour Laureate's in 2004, and named by MIS Magazine in 2004 one of the most influential IT leaders in North Asia. He was conferred a Distinguished Fellow of Hong Kong Computer Society in 2005.