Chak Kong Soon

Academic Qualifications

1987   University of Iowa   USA

Bachelor of Business Administration
(Major in Management Sciences (MIS and Operations Management) and Minor in Computer Science)

Bio-data Summary

Chak has been in the ICT industry for more than 18 years. His passion is in building organisations and nurturing them. Prior to mentoring Mustard Technology and several other ICT organisations in the region, he was the Managing Director in Vanda, a Hong Kong listed company, responsible for their technology services business. In this role, he was tasked to help the Hutchinson Whampoa subsidiary in creating the vision and strategy for their services business and executing them, Chak has also started and ran several companies, among the were Finesse Software, Finesse Alliance, Fuziq Pte Ltd, Elcom Software, and several others.

For his achievements in the Information Technology arena, Chak was presented the "Young Professional of the Year" title at the IT Leader Awards in 1999. He was also a finalist in the Rotary-Association of Small and Medium Enterprise Entrepreneur of the Year Award in 1999. Presently, Chak is Honorary Secretary of the Singapore Computer Society (SCS), a Board Member of the Institute of System Sciences of the National University of Singapore and a Board Member on various technology companies in the region. He is also a Certified IT Project Manager (Senior) out of a total number of 150 senior certified project managers in Singapore.

He also participates as committee member in various committees chaired by organisations like Infocomm Development Authority of Singapore (IDA) and the Singapore Computer Society (SCS). Additionally, he is an external examiner for Certified IT Project Management (CITPM) examination and previously a mentor in the Young Entrepreneur Network organised by Youth Challenge.

Earlier in his career, Chak was a Senior Manager in the Systems Integration Division of Andersen Consulting (now known as Accenture), a global IT and management consulting firm. In Andersen Consulting (AC), he has worked as a senior project manager, team leader and team member on various systems development projects for the Financial Services and Oil & Gas Industries. During his career with AC, he was also involved in creating a business-driven information technology strategy, architecture and plan for organisations. He was also the Chief Quality Officer with overall responsibility for all quality initiatives in its Singapore office and has successfully completed BSI's ISO 9000 Lead Assessor Examination.