



**Council Member
Candidate CVs
for 2020 AGM**

Chow Chee Yen

Senior Executive Director, Grant Thornton Malaysia
FCTIM, FCCA(UK),CA(M)



Background and Experience:

Chee Yen is the Senior Executive Director of Grant Thornton Malaysia. He has more than 29 years of tax experience and was involved in tax engagements concerning cross border transactions, tax due diligence review, restructuring schemes, corporate tax planning, group tax review, inbound investments and good and services tax (GST).

Chee Yen's expertise is in high demand and he is a prolific trainer/facilitator for tax workshops and seminars organised by ACCA, CCH, CPA Australia, CTIM, MIA, MAICSA, MICPA and the STAR newspaper. In addition, he conducts in-house training for government ministry, professional firms and corporations as well as speaker for national and international conferences.

Professional Qualifications:

- ▶ Fellow Member of the Chartered Tax Institute of Malaysia - FCTIM
- ▶ Fellow Member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants - FCCA (UK)
- ▶ Chartered Accountant of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants – CA(M)

Contributions to CTIM:

- Deputy President of CTIM
- Regular speaker, panelist in CTIM Conferences, seminars and workshops as well as events organised by CTIM and IRBM/RMCD
- Chairman of the Continuing Professional Development Committee
- Member of the Direct Tax Committee
- Member of the M&A Committee
- Working group committee of the Focus Group Paying Taxes

Future Contributions/Commitment:

I would like to continue to further strengthen CTIM as the premier taxation body. If re-elected to the CTIM Council, I will contribute the same level of commitment and dedication to the role, as the mandate given to me in 2016. Supporting the development of tax policies and legislations through continuous engagement with the IRBM, RMCD and government agencies.

Mohd Noor Abu Bakar



Mohd Noor is a fellow member of the Chartered Tax Institute of Malaysia and a Chartered Accountant in an Audit and Taxation practice called IMRAN. He is also a member of the Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants and holds a Master in Business Administration from UKM. He has more than 25 years of experience in tax advisory and compliance matters and is a licensed tax agent under Section 153 of the Income Tax Act 1967, approved by the Ministry of Finance. In addition, Mohd Noor was the past board member of the Association of International Accounting Firm – IAPA. He served the board when he was the Chairman of the Asia Pacific Region of IAPA.

Mohd Noor was appointed to the Council of CTIM in 2016 and during his tenure has served in the following committees: -

1. Compliance and Operation Working Group (COWG) – Chairman (2017 – to date)
2. Technical Committee - Direct Taxation (2016 – to date)
3. National Tax Conference Committee (2016)
4. National GST Conference Committee (2016)
5. Continuing Professional Development Committee (2008 – 2013)

As the Chairman of COWG, he was involved actively in engaging with the operation department of Lembaga Hasil Dalam Negeri Malaysia (LHDNM) in compliance and operation issues and recently in discussing the FAQs issued by LHDNM during the MCO period. In relation to the latter, he actively sought clarification and gave suggestions on matters of concern to taxpayers and tax agents especially on the extension of time of 2 to 3 months for Form C submission and the 3rd month revision of tax estimate.

Mohd Noor was also engaged in the discussions with LHDNM in relation to the Special Voluntary Disclosure Program which was launched by LHDNM in 2018 and 2019. He was involved in the discussion with Bahagian Operasi in the Desire Meeting organised by LHDNM. Matters raised by CTIM have been responded to accordingly. He was also involved in the discussion with LHDNM on MITRS – Malaysian Income Tax Reporting System (XBRL).

In addition, Mohd Noor also represented the Institute in the Technical Working Group on Paying Taxes (TWGPT) meetings chaired by PEMUDAH. In the TWGPT, he has provided significant input in simplifying Form C for YA 2019 and making recommendations on the Amended Return Form guidelines.

With his past four years of experience serving in the CTIM Council and having a good rapport with LHDNM directors and officers, Mohd Noor is confident to be able to contribute further to CTIM.

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Professional Membership

I am the fellow member of Chartered Tax Institute of Malaysia (CTIM). I am also a member of the Chartered Accountants of England and Wales (ICAEW) and the Malaysia Institute of Accountants (MIA).

Experience

CTIM

I was the former President of CTIM from June 2011 to June 2014 and Deputy President of CTIM in 2010. I have been in the council for many years since mid-1990s. I have chaired many committees during my years with CTIM including various technical committees, National Tax Conference, CPD Committees, etc. During my period in CTIM, I have led many delegations to meet senior officials in MOF, IRB, RMCD, MIDA, MITI, etc and during my tenure as President of CTIM, I have championed for the taxpayers; changes to the Finance Bill, changes to internal practices within IRB, etc.

Working Experience

I was previously a Partner of PriceWaterhouseCoopers until June 2015 where I was also the Chairman of the firm's Oversight Board. Between July 2015 to December 2017, I was the Managing Director of Crowe Horwath KL Tax Sdn Bhd. Currently, I am the Managing Director of Thannees Tax Consulting Services Sdn Bhd.

Since I qualified as Chartered Accountants in 1979, I have been practicing tax in United Kingdom, Singapore and Malaysia for the past 40 years.

I have experience in handling a vast variety of assignments across all spectrum of tax. I specialise in assisting multinational companies and local conglomerates with international tax planning, transfer pricing, tax audits, investigations, corporate tax matters and generally on all aspects of tax including GST matters. I work very closely with the IRB, RMCD, the Tax Policy Division of MOF, MIDA, MDEC, and etc.

Malaysian Tax Research Foundation

I am the former Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Malaysian Tax Research Foundation.

My Contributions to the Profession

I have in the past and currently contributing towards enhancing tax education and dissemination of information to the tax professionals working in practice and industry through my involvement in public seminars provided through CTIM and other professional bodies. I am also regularly contributing articles to Professional Journals, the newspapers and other media with the aim of sharing knowledge with the tax fraternity.

My Aspiration

I have had extensive experience in working and managing a large, medium and currently a small specialist tax practice. I understand the issues facing the tax practitioners and others working in the tax industry.

Now that I have a small specialist tax practice, I have much greater understanding of the importance of the role CTIM plays in supporting the medium and small firms. CTIM's technical and CPD support is of vital importance to the tax industry. CTIM's role in bringing up tax issues of national importance to the Government is crucial for the growth of businesses in this country and I am passionate to be part of the team to assist CTIM to present new ideas to grow the tax industry with the ultimate aim of benefiting the economic growth of the Country.

Steve Chia

Partner

PricewaterhouseCoopers Taxation Services Sdn Bhd



Dear fellow members of the Chartered Tax Institute of Malaysia,

It will be an honour for me to be given the opportunity to serve the Chartered Tax Institute of Malaysia (CTIM) as one of the Council Members.

My profile

I am a Partner of PricewaterhouseCoopers Taxation Services Sdn Bhd. With 24 years of experience in the Malaysian corporate taxation, I have been involved in tax compliance and advisory work for local conglomerates, multinationals and entrepreneurial businesses.

While this will be my first time serving CTIM in a capacity as a council member if elected, I have been involved in various CTIM initiatives including being appointed as one of the examining panel for CTIM taxation paper, contributing tax articles for Tax Guardian as well as representing CTIM as a member of the Public Finance Reform Lab under the Strategic Reform Initiatives championed by PEMANDU (Performance Management Delivery Unit).

Through my career as a tax professional, I have strong passion in contributing to the profession, involved in various educational efforts in promoting Tax as a career such as conducting guest lectures, tax workshops and seminars as well as acting as tax examiner for a leading UK professional body. In addition, I have co-authored the taxation chapter for the book "Ship Finance: Singapore and Malaysia" published by Butterworths as well as written the taxation module of a study text for MICPA examination.

I have also represented my firm and industry associations in various engagements with the tax authorities, relevant Ministries and investment agencies on taxation and incentive matters. In particular, I was involved in the development of the green tax incentives announced by the Government in 2014.

My commitment

I feel that it is now timely for me to contribute further to the development of the tax profession through a role in CTIM. I am ready to contribute my professional knowledge, experience and time to actively promote our profession and CTIM, to be recognised voice for taxation matters in this country.

I sincerely believe that I can work effectively in the Council to provide inputs and ideas to drive the CTIM objectives and develop the profession. In particular, I see my contribution to be in the area of technical inputs as well as education.

If given the mandate to the CTIM Council, I will dedicate my time to this role and commit to serve in the interest of the CTIM members.

I look forward to meeting you at the Annual General Meeting on 12 September 2020.

Yours sincerely,
Steve Chia

Zen Chow Tuck Him

BBusCom (Monash), CPA (Aust.), C.A. (M), FCTIM



About Myself

I have graduated from Monash University with a Bachelor of Business and Commerce – double major in Accounting & Banking and Finance. I then became a qualified full member of CPA Australia and is currently the Chairman of the Young Professionals Network in the CPA Australia, Malaysia division. I am also a Chartered Accountant after admission as a qualified member of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants.

I have been in the taxation industry since year 2005 and have been involved in both direct and indirect Malaysian taxation, including tax compliance and tax advisory works for various industries. Currently, I hold the position of Executive Director as well as the Head of Tax Department in YYC Group.

During the past term as a Council Member of the Chartered Tax Institute of Malaysia (CTIM), I was given the opportunity to be the Chairman of the Education Committee and thereafter the Chairman of the Public Practice Committee (PPC). During my term as the Chairman of PPC, the PPC has organised various members' dialogues including networking events that gathered the tax practitioners together to discuss and solve issues and problems faced by them. I was also given the opportunity to contribute further to CTIM by speaking in tax seminars and workshops such as the annual budget seminar, tax updates seminar, etc.

Manifesto

I believe more can be done to benefit the CTIM members, not limiting only to those from Public Practices, but also to those from Commerce and Industry, as well as regardless members in practice from the bigger firms or from the Small and Medium Practices. More proactive and actions could be carried out to bring more benefits to all members.

As such, I seek your recognition and precious vote to re-elect me to the Council of CTIM. I shall put in my best effort to commit and continually contribute for the benefit of all our members.

Thank you.

Zen Chow Tuck Him

