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From left: Ms Chew, Ms Wong, and Prof Killeen will join the NUS Board of Trustees come 1 April

Three new members will be inducted into the NUS Board of Trustees come 1 April — corporate veteran Ms Chew Gek Khim; experienced banker Ms Jeanette Wong; and renowned academic Professor Timothy L. Killeen.

Ms Chew Gek Khim is Chairman of The Straits Trading Company Limited. She is also Executive Chairman of Tecity Group, and Chairman of Malaysia Smelting Corporation Berhad and ARA Trust Management (Suntec) Limited. An NUS alumna and lawyer by training, Ms Chew was awarded the Chevalier de l'Ordre National du Mérite in 2010, the Singapore Businessman of the Year Award in 2014 and 2015, and the Meritorious Service Medal at the National Day Awards in 2016.

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Ms Jeanette Wong is Board Director of UBS Group AG. Prior to this, Ms Wong has held various senior appointments in DBS Bank and JP Morgan locally and regionally, including Chief Financial Officer of DBS Group (2003–2008), and head of JP Morgan for Singapore (1997–2002). An NUS Business (https://bschool.nus.edu.sg/) alumna, Ms Wong sits on the NUS Business School Management Advisory Board and the Global Advisory Board, Asia, for the University of Chicago Booth School of Business, among others.

Professor Timothy L. Killeen is President of the University of Illinois System. He previously held leadership positions at various institutions of research and higher education, including a dual appointment as Vice Chancellor for Research and President of the Research Foundation at the State University of New York. A leading researcher in geophysics and space sciences, Prof Killeen is a member and past president of the American Geophysical Union, and a fellow of the American Meteorological Society and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Mr Hsieh Fu Hua, Chairman of the NUS Board, said, "We are delighted to welcome Gek Khim, Jeanette and Timothy to our Board. Their expertise in their respective fields and rich experience will benefit NUS immensely as we pursue our aspiration to be a leading global university. We look forward to them joining us in this exciting journey at NUS."

As part of planned Board renewals, Ms Kay Kuok from the Kuok Group of Companies will step down from the Board on 31 March, after 12 years of service. She will continue to serve as Chair of the Yale-NUS College (https://www.yale-nus.edu.sg/) Governing Board.

"We also want to extend our deepest appreciation to Kay for her many outstanding contributions to NUS. She has served on numerous board committees, including chairing the nominating committee. She also strongly supported the University through various challenges," said Mr Hsieh.

Members of the Board of Trustees are appointed by the Minister for Education. The Board is made up of eminent leaders from academia, the public service and private sector, and works with the University's management and stakeholders to define NUS' vision and collectively shape its future.

See press release (http://news.nus.edu.sg/press-releases/nus-board-members-2020).

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