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Ms Teresa Ko BBS JP is Freshfields' China Chairman and a founding partner of Freshfields' Asia capital markets practice. Described as "an icon in the industry", she is one of the most prominent corporate and securities lawyers in Hong Kong.

Over her career, Teresa has helped numerous Chinese state-owned, privately-owned and international companies to list on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange (HKSE), including advising on eight out of the ten largest IPOs in Hong Kong. She also has an impressive record on public and private M&A transactions and advises on joint ventures and corporate governance matters.

Among her many public service appointments, Teresa currently serves as one of two vice-chairs of the IFRS Foundation Trustees and chairs its Due Process Oversight Committee. She is also a member of the Trustee Steering Committee which was formed to oversee the work to establish a potential International Sustainability Standards Board (ISSB) and was involved in the publication of the IFRS Foundation's consultation paper on sustainability reporting.

Teresa chaired the Listing Committee of the HKSE from 2009 to 2011 and was deputy chair for three years before. She also served as a non-executive director of the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong (SFC) for six years.

She is currently one of the co-chairmen of the HKSE's Listing Review Committee and a deputy chairman of the SFC's Takeovers and Mergers Panel. She is also a council member of the Business School Advisory Council of the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology and a panel member of the Cyberport Advisory Panel.

Teresa joined Freshfields in 1988, becoming a partner in 1993 and China chairman in 2011.