



**Swiss Association & Swiss Chamber of Commerce
Christmas Charity Luncheon
4 Dec 2017 (Monday)**

**Guest Speaker:
Mr Martin Sabine, ex Chairman, The Samaritans**

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The role of the Samaritans in combating suicide in Hong Kong

In 2016, 937 people killed themselves in Hong Kong. In other words, there are two to three suicides every day. The Samaritans, originally founded in the UK, was established in Hong Kong in the 1970s after a series of students suffering exam pressure killed themselves. Today, Hong Kong remains a high pressure and stressful place, with individuals coping with economic, relationship and health problems. The Samaritans aims to alleviate human misery and loneliness as well as supporting the actively and potentially suicidal mainly through a confidential 24-hour hotline. Samaritans volunteers are not professional counsellors but go through an intensive in-house training programme. The guiding principle is not to offer advice but by 'active listening' explore a caller's feelings and the options they may have in a non-judgemental way. While all Samaritans are unpaid volunteers, they need funds for administrative support and publicity and outreach programmes.

ABOUT THE GUEST SPEAKER

Martin Sabine has lived and worked in Hong Kong for 40 years. He has been an active volunteer with the Samaritans' hotline service for over two decades and has also been involved in management as past Treasurer and Chairman of the Board. In his professional life, Mr. Sabine is Chairman of listed Somerley Capital Holdings Limited (stock code: 8439), a leading corporate financial services firm. He has also written a well-known book on corporate finance and is a member of the Takeovers and Mergers Panel and a fellow of the Hong Kong Securities and Investment Institute.

Join us for a gourmet Christmas lunch to support the Samaritans. There will be a live auction of Swiss Caviar, three bottles of Champaign and A lucky draw with fabulous prizes. All proceeds from this luncheon will go to The Samaritans.



**Mr. Martin Sabine
ex Chairman, The Samaritans**

Date: 4th Dec, 2017 (Monday)
Time: 12:00 – 14:00
(Registration and pre luncheon cocktails starts at 12:00)
Venue: Harcourt Suite, The Hong Kong Club, 1 Jackson Road, Central
Function Room reserved by Mr Guido Furrer
Dress Code: Business Attire
Late registrations / walk-ins will be accommodated on a best effort basis.
**HK\$680 per person
for SwissCham & SAHK Member
HK\$780 per person for Non-member**
(includes 1 Raffle Ticket and Xmas Goody Bag)

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.....Request vegetarian meal..... Request fish meal

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