David Eldon

David Eldon is Chairman of HSBC Bank Middle East and HSBC Bank Oman. He was also Chairman of the Dubai International Financial Centre Authority.

He has nearly 50 years of banking experience mostly within the HSBC Group, starting his career in HSBC Bank Middle East in 1968, and serving in the United Arab Emirates, Oman, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia and Yemen.

In 1984, he was appointed Deputy Managing Director of the Saudi British Bank (SABB). In 1988, he became Chief Executive Officer of HSBC Malaysia and also held various senior roles in Hong Kong, including General Manager in The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation's International department. Eldon then rose to become Chief Executive Officer of HSBC Asia Pacific in 1996 and then its Chairman in 1999.

Eldon is currently also Senior Advisor to PricewaterhouseCoopers (PWC) in Hong Kong and Senior Independent Director of the Noble Group. He was also Advisor to the previous President of South Korea and a former Chairman of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce.

His awards and accolades include Hong Kong Business Person of the Year in 2003, the Gold Bauhinia Star from the Government of Hong Kong in 2004 and the Asian Banker Lifetime Achievement Award in 2005. He was made a Commander of the British Empire for his contributions to banking and awarded Honorary Citizenship of Seoul in recognition of his work for the city.