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- Former Singapore Minister of Foreign Affairs
- Recent Chairman of Kerry Logistics Network



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George Yeo was the Chairman of the Kerry Logistics Network from August 2012 to June 2019. He became an Executive Director of the Kerry Logistics Network in November 2013. He has been a director of Kerry Holdings Limited (a subsidiary of Kerry Group Limited, which is a controlling shareholder of the Company) since July 2016. Kerry Logistics, a member of the Kuok Group of companies, is one of Asia's largest integrated logistics companies, with over 40,000 employees and over 10,000 operating vehicles in 52 countries. The company is listed on the Main Board of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange and is a selected Member of the Hang Seng Corporate Sustainability Index Series 2017-2018.

From 1988 to 2011, Yeo served for 23 years in the Singapore Government, as Minister of State for Finance, then as Minister for Information and the Arts, Health, Trade and Industry, and Foreign Affairs. He is a well-respected former statesman in Singapore and the region, and was instrumental in driving many policies and development during his service in the Singapore government. He was also responsible to drive a number of Free Trade Agreements for Singapore during his tenure as the Minister of Trade and Industry. Prior to 1988, Yeo served in various capacities in the Singapore Army, Republic of Singapore Air Force and Defence Ministry, including Chief-of-Staff of the Air Staff and Director of Joint Operations and Planning in the Defence Ministry, attaining the rank of Brigadier-General.

Yeo was a member of the Mentor Group and Governing Board of Nalanda University and became its Second Chancellor until November 2016. Yeo is a member of the Berggruen Institute on Governance, the Harvard Business School Board of Dean's Advisors, the International Advisory Board of IESE Business School, the International Advisory Panel of Peking University, the International Advisory Council of Eco Forum Global Guiyang, the Economic Development Commission of Hong Kong, the International Advisory Committee of National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies and the International Advisory Committee of Mitsubishi Corporation (a company listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange with stock code 80580). Yeo was a member of the Vatican Council Commission for Reference on the Organization of the Economic-Administrative Structure of the Holy See and became a member of the Vatican Council for the Economy from February 2014.

Yeo has been an independent non-executive director of AIA Group Limited (a company listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited with stock code 1299) since November 2012 and an independent director of New Yangon Development Company Limited, owned by the Yangon Region Government, since December 2017. He is a strategic non-business advisor to Sea Limited (a company listed on the New York Stock Exchange with stock code SE) and a senior advisor to Brunswick Group for its geopolitical initiative. He became an independent director of Pinduoduo Inc. from its listing on NASDAQ (stock code PDD) in July 2018. He had served as a non-independent non-executive director of Wilmar International Limited (a company listed on the Singapore Stock Exchange with stock code F34)

from November 2014 to December 2017.

Yeo was awarded Philippines' Order of Sikatuna, India's Padma Bhushan and Australia's Honorary Officer of the Order of Australia.

Yeo graduated from Cambridge University with a double first in engineering in 1976 and also obtained a master of business administration degree (Baker Scholar) from Harvard Business School in 1985. Yeo is a visiting scholar at Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy of National University of Singapore.

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