More companies pledge their support

The number of companies that have joined the initiative for excellence in corporate governance now stands at 70

Singapore

THE Securities Investors Association (Singapore) is holding the 6th Singapore Corporate Governance Week 2015 on Oct 12-16, 2015. Organised by SIAS, CG Week is endorsed and supported by the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority (ACRA) and the Singapore Accountancy Commission (SAC) as supporting organisations, as well as Singapore Exchange as the supporting exchange.

A key feature of the week-long programme is the statement of support by corporates to uphold and advance good corporate governance standards. This statement, which will be published in *The Business Times*, reads:

"As an organisation, we are committed to upholding high standards of corporate governance to enhance shareholder value. We believe practising good corporate governance is central to the health and stability of our financial markets and economy."

To date, 70 companies have joined the statement of support initiative for excellence in corporate governance.

Loh Boon Chye Chief Executive Officer Singapore Exchange

"As an integral part of the international financial centre of Singapore, SGX is the front-line regulator of companies, making, enhancing and enforcing rules which they must comply with. We are also a listed company and have the unique opportunity to influence and lead companies in terms of governance practices. Our effective use of these two approaches will, I believe, contribute to Singapore's continued strength as a well-regulated and trusted marketplace."

Yee Pinh Jeremy Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer, Cordlife Group Limited

"At Cordlife, we strongly believe that success in our relations with the public and investors are premised on holding ourselves up to the strictest standards of corporate governance practices and the highest levels of corporate transparency. Through the years, we have adopted the best corporate governance practices as part of our continued efforts towards providing accurate, unambiguous informa-

tion in a timely manner. Looking ahead, we remain dedicated to establishing trust with our stakeholders and the investing community."

Chew Seng Kok, Managing Director, ZICO Holdings Inc

"As a provider of multi-disciplinary professional services to many large private and public corporations in the region, ZICO shares the common commitment with clients to achieve the highest standards of corporate governance. Integrity and transparency take centre stage in our interactions with stakeholders. These traits have served us well in cementing our reputation and credibility as a trusted business adviser around the region. We firmly believe the upholding of core governance practices, stemming from a corporate culture of transparency, is necessary for ZICO to perpetuate a sustainable long-term business and to enhance shareholder value."

Seow Soon Yong Chief Executive Officer Yongnam Holdings Limited

"As a leading regional steel construction company, we firmly believe that ethical corporate conduct plays a critical role in ensuring sustainable corporate growth. As we continue to shape city skylines and add structural and aesthetic value to buildings, we have also embraced best corporate practices and principles in the way we operate. Accordingly, we are deeply heartened by SIAS' initiatives in championing excellence in corporate governance, and are pleased to pledge our support for this worthy purpose."

Neo Tiam Boon Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director TA Corporation Ltd

"Good corporate governance is an essential pillar of our long-term strategy to deliver sustainable business success and enhanced value for all our stakeholders. With property development and distribution businesses in the region and an established construction arm in Singapore, we are committed to upholding best practices in corporate governance and good business practices. We are thus pleased to support SIAS in its efforts at promoting greater governance standards."





Adding their voices to the statement of support are (clockwise from top left) Loh Boon Chye of Singapore Exchange, Yee Pinh Jeremy of Cordlife Group, Chew Seng Kok of ZICO Holdings, Seow Soon Yong of Yongnam Holdings, and Neo Tiam Boon of TA Corporation





