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**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

**GREAT EAGLE HOLDINGS LIMITED (0041.HK)**

**Advisor to Chairman**

**6/2024 – present**

**Chief Investment Officer**

**8/2021 – 6/2024**

- Founder of a Venture Capital group at Great Eagle Holdings.
- Headquartered in Hong Kong, the Great Eagle Holdings was founded in 1963 and listed on Hong Kong Stock Exchange in 1972 (HKSE: 00041).

**CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG**

**Adjunct Associate Professor of Management, Business School**

**11/2024 – present**

**HONG KONG UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

**Adjunct Associate Professor of Finance, Business School**

**8/2019 – present**

**Associate Professor of Science Practice, School of Science**

**2//2022 – present**

**VU VENTURE PARTNERS**

**Partner**

**9/2020 – present**

- Based in San Francisco and Hong Kong, VU Venture Partners is a dedicated VC Fund with over 90 portfolio companies across consumer, enterprise, fintech, frontier, healthcare, & prop-tech

**GRC FUND**

**Venture Partner**

**8/2015 – 7/2021**

- GRC Fund manages US\$800M US-China cross boarder venture capital fund with World Bank as its major investor.
- GRC is currently investing from its US\$120M QFLP Fund V, anchored by Shenzhen Government as a key part of its Shenzhen-Hong Kong-Macau Greater Bay Area Initiative.
- Sample investments include CNANO (Shanghai stock exchange code 688116), Googol (Shenzhen Stock Exchange code 301510) and Rancher Labs (Acquired by SUSE for US\$600M).

**FORMATION 8 (currently named 8VC)**

**Founding Partner**

**1/2012 – 1/2018**

- Formation 8 is a leading Silicon Valley venture capital firm with over US\$1B under management. Other Co-founders include Joe Lonsdale (co-founder of Palantir; Brian Koo,

scion of the LG family of Korea; Tom Baruch, founder of CMEA Capital; Jim Kim, partner of Khosla Ventures; and Gideon Yu, CFO of Facebook).

- Raised the largest first-time fund in Silicon Valley at US\$448M.
- Sample investments include Oculus (acquired by Facebook for US\$2B), Oscar Health (NYSE: OSCR), OpenGov (acquired by Cox Enterprises for \$1.8B), etc

## **SOFTBANK CHINA VENTURE CAPITAL**

**Venture Partner**

**1/2010 – 1/2012**

- Softbank China (SBCVC) is one of the most successful and best-known VCs in China.
- Led the formation of a JV with Australia's Southern Cross Venture Partners (SXVP) and raised US\$75M from the Australian government to form the Renewable Energy Venture Capital Fund (REVC), the largest venture capital fund dedicated to renewable energy in Australia.

## **KHOSLA VENTURES**

**EIR & Head of China**

**8/2009 – 12/2010**

- Khosla Ventures, founded by billionaire Sun Microsystems co-founder Vinod Khosla, is one of the largest and best-known venture capital firms in the world with US\$10B under management.
- Initiated and led China practice of Khosla Ventures.
- Led the investment in the carbon reduction cleantech company LanzaTech which IPO'ed with a \$2B market cap (NASDAQ: LNZA)
- Co-founded BioConsortia (currently a Khosla Ventures portfolio company).

## **MENDEL BIOTECHNOLOGY (San Francisco Bay Area, USA)**

**Co-Founder & VP of Business Development**

**8/1997 – 7/2009**

- In 1997, cofounded Mendel with Stanford post-doctoral advisor Dr. Chris Somerville.
- Raised over US\$100M in total venture funding, and formed strategic partnerships with multinationals like Monsanto, BP, and Bayer.
- Principal investigator of a US\$4.2M ATP (Advanced Technology Program) grants from the US government, one of the largest in the grant's history.
- Established Mendel subsidiary in China and served as its CEO

## **EDUCATION & ACADEMIC TRAINING**

- Stanford University, Graduate School of Business, Executive Education for Emerging Companies (2008)
- Postdoctoral fellow, Stanford University (1992-1997)
- PhD (Genetics), University of California, Davis (1992)
- University of Science and Technology of China (entering class of 1983)
- The highest college entrance examination score from Henan Province (a province of 100 million people) in 1983