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George Chen is a practitioner/scholar with over two decades of expertise across media, technology, and public policy. Currently, George is Managing Director (Head of Hong Kong and Taiwan Offices) and Co-Chair of Digital Practice for The Asia Group, advising many Fortune 500 clients on geopolitics, national security, and various regulatory issues. Previously, George was Meta/Facebook's first and most senior policy leader for Greater China, Mongolia and Central Asia for more than seven years. Earlier in his career, George was in various editorial and management positions for media organizations including the South China Morning Post and Reuters for more than a decade.

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In 2022 George was awarded the “Medal of Friendship” by the President of Mongolia, one of the country’s highest and most rare honours for foreigners. George has been on the Board of The American Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong since 2019. George is an author of three books and he speaks Mandarin Chinese, Cantonese, Shanghai dialect and English.