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Professional Experience

Ms Irene Ng joined the GSMA as Head of Asia in September 2012. In her current role, and in collaboration with the membership, Irene represents and leads the GSMA's public policy and other activities within the region.

Prior to joining the GSMA, Irene was a senior regulatory adviser for a regional telecoms group and oversaw all regulatory matters in the South East Asia and South Asia markets for the group. She had also practiced law in Singapore and co-headed the telecommunications practice in the firm she was with. Whilst there, she handled mostly advanced telco regulatory work, IT related work as well as corporate and commercial matters.

Irene's association with the telecommunications sector started when she joined one of the federal communications regulatory agencies in the APAC region. During her 8 years there, she was part of the team that was responsible for implementing a convergence licensing framework for the telecommunications and broadcasting sectors. Having started her career as a legal counsel in that organisation, she was later promoted to head the licensing functions of the agency. During her time there, she focused mainly on economic regulation and was instrumental in facilitating new services to be provided in the market, and this included technologies such as 3G, broadband over powerline, free space optics and new business models such as MVNO.

Irene holds a LL.B (Hons) degree from Lancaster University and a LL.M degree from the University of London. She is also a member of the Honourable Society of the Middle Temple and has been called to the Bar of several commonwealth jurisdictions.