

Irene Dorner

Current roles

Irene was appointed Chair of Control Risks, the global risk consultancy in 2017. She also sits on the Boards of Axa and Rolls Royce as an independent director. Until the acquisition by CYBG Irene was Chair of Virgin Money. She is the Chair elect of Taylor Wimpey and will take up that role in the new year.

Career Background

Graduating from St. Anne's College, Oxford in 1976 with a BA in Jurisprudence, Irene joined the banking industry in 1979 after practising as a Barrister at Law in London.

In 1992, she moved from her role as Head of Legal in the investment banking arm of HSBC into a variety of business and support roles within HSBC in the Commercial, Retail and Investment businesses.

She was appointed Deputy Chairman and CEO of HSBC Bank Malaysia in 2007 then CEO and President of HSBC USA in 2010 and Group Managing Director of HSBC Holdings until retiring from the role in 2014 . In 2012 Irene was named the years Most Powerful Woman in Banking by American Banker and she was recognised with American Banker's Lifetime Achievement Award in 2014.

Other interests

Irene is on the Board of the South East Asia Rainforest Research Partnership. She is an Honorary Fellow of St Anne's College Oxford and chairs their Development Board.

