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Michael is Managing Director of Asiability Group, an independent management consulting company, which helps private and public sector clients with tailored and forward thinking solutions harmonized with the specific contours of different Asian cultures.

He is a thought leader in risk transfer/-financing Public-Private Partnerships. Prior to Asiability Group, Michael was Director of Swiss Re where he established the reinsurer's footprint as partner for the public sector in different Asian jurisdictions. Covering insurance, reinsurance and capital markets products, he closely worked with governments, multilaterals, regulatory bodies and local insurance industries on various initiatives to 'close the protection gap', and pioneered novelty transactions addressing natural disaster risk, food security and financial inclusion. Before relocating to Hong Kong in 2011, he worked as a Client Manager at the company's headquarters in Zurich. He gathered his first insurance expertise at Allianz and started his professional career in commercial and private banking at Deutsche Bank in Germany.

He holds a master's degree in Chinese Studies, Political Sciences and Psychology of Ludwig-Maximilians University Munich, complemented by overseas studies at National Taiwan Normal University.

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