



Irene Dorner

Irene took the chair at Taylor Wimpey Plc in February 2020. She also chairs Control Risks, the global risk consultancy. She is a former non-executive director, Rolls Royce Plc where she chaired both the Remuneration Committee and is Employee Champion. Until its acquisition by CYBG in 2018, Irene chaired, Virgin Money Plc.

Graduating from St. Anne's College, Oxford in 1976 with a BA in Jurisprudence, Irene qualified at the bar before going in-house at Citibank. After moving to the investment banking arm of HSBC as Head of Legal, she had a variety of business and support roles within HSBC's Commercial, Retail and Investment businesses. In 2007 she was appointed sequentially Deputy Chair and CEO of HSBC Bank Malaysia then CEO, President HSBC USA and 2010 Group Managing Director of HSBC Holdings until retiring from the role in 2014.

In 2012 Irene was named the year's 'Most Powerful Woman in Banking' by American Banker and she was recognised with American Banker's Lifetime Achievement Award in 2014. Irene is a trustee 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. She is also on the fund-raising committee of the Royal Marsden Hospital.

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