

Dr Simon Ogus **Founder and CEO - DSG Asia**

Speaker on Asia Macro Economics and Politics



A highly-respected economic commentator, widely-recognized as one of the few analysts who accurately predicted both the Asian Financial Crisis, and the more recent Global Economic and Financial Crisis.

Professional experience

- Dr Simon Ogus is the Founder and CEO of the independent consultancy DSG Asia Limited, a firm which offers analysis of the economies and politics of Asia.
- Based in Hong Kong for thirty years, Simon started covering Asia in the mid-1980s
- He is also a professional speaker and moderator, offering analysis of the economies and politics of Asia.
- He works with a variety of multinational and regional entities in the financial, non-financial and government spheres.
- He was consistently voted as one of the top ranked macro analysts in the region across a range of industry surveys, while working on the sell-side.
- He was one of the few analysts who accurately predicted the Asian financial crisis (1997), the emerging market crisis (1998), the US housing crisis (2007), the Global Financial Crisis (2008-2009) and other bull case and bear case events. He continues to provide incisive on-the-ground insight into the market outlook of Asian economies. He is well-known for his ability to deconstruct the politics, the history, and the sentiment of the Asian continent.

Published papers, Media

- Simon produces internal briefing papers for his client base, including the following recent articles: *“Time for Asia to take some Self-Responsibility”*; *“China: Japan 1970 Development, Japan 1989 Debts”*; *“Hong Kong and Singapore: An absence of arbitrage”*; *“India: (Do you?) Mind the Gap”*

Sample assignments / presentation topics

- Frequently invited to speak on panels in economic forums, seminars, round tables and discussions.
- His opinions are highly sought after by (subset of...), financial investors, family offices and corporates.
- He presents on pan-Asian economic developments from Japan to India, from China to Southeast Asia.
- He covers international trade policy, and regional integration, capital market reform, and the region’s currency issues including the topic of China’s internationalization of the renminbi.
- He has recently included analyses of topical issues, including the future role of Hong Kong in light of the recent protests, how multinational corporations are recalibrating their regional investments in light of the ongoing trade and technology war, a view on North Korea from beyond the DMZ, and many more
- He presents on China’s geopolitical strategy, US-China trade issues in the Trump era, as well as the overall US approach to the Asia-Pacific, both economically and geopolitically.
- Simon answers the burning questions: what will be the reactions of governments in the region to all these new policies and atmospherics? And how should businesses position themselves in anticipation?

Simon Ogus – Personal Bio-data

- Simon Ogus is the founder and CEO of the independent consultancy DSG Asia Limited, which offers analysis of the economies and politics of Asia.
- He serves on the board of a number of companies and official bodies including the Council of Advisers for the Hong Kong Monetary Authority's Hong Kong Institute for Monetary Research, and the Board of Governors for the American Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong.
- He is also an adviser to and a shareholder in the Silverhorn Group, a fully integrated wealth management boutique with a core focus on Asia.
- From 1994 to 1999, Simon was Managing Director and Chief Economist for Asia at Swiss Bank Corporation (now UBS), Hong Kong.
- Previously, he worked with the United Bank of Kuwait in London before joining GT Management in Hong Kong in 1990.
- Simon trained as an actuary with William M Mercer Fraser.
- He has also held academic positions and lectured at various universities across the region.
- Simon has a PhD in Chinese economic history and development from the University of London's School of Oriental and African Studies.
- He also holds an MSc in Management and Finance from the University of London's Imperial College, and a BA in Economics and Econometrics from the University of Manchester.

Client testimonials

"Ogus is the best. He is truly an original thinker."

The Asset

"Not enough economists relate their macro forecasts to what they think will happen in the various markets, and [Ogus] does that."

Institutional Investor

"I think he does an outstanding job at interpreting and predicting economies."

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