

AMCHAM Board of Governor 2018



James Kim Chairman & CEO AMCHAM Korea

James Kim became Chairman and CEO of AMCHAM Korea on July 1, 2017. Prior to AMCHAM, Mr. Kim served as Chairman, CEO and President of GM Korea. Mr. Kim is a Korean-American who is passionate about promoting the commercial interests between the United States and Korea.

At GM Korea, Mr. Kim was responsible for the total operations with 17,000 employees (sales, manufacturing, distribution and design) in Korea. Mr. Kim also had oversight responsibilities with GM's joint venture operations in Uzbekistan.

Mr. Kim transitioned to GM Korea in June 2015 from Microsoft Korea, where he had served as Country Manager and CEO starting February 2009. His previous roles include CEO of Yahoo! Korea and Asia Regional Vice President of Overture (a wholly owned subsidiary of Yahoo).

Prior to Yahoo, Mr. Kim worked predominantly in the United States, where he was the Managing Partner at Palisades Advisors, based in New York from 2001 to 2005. Prior to Palisades, he held other positions including CEO at Corcoran.com, CEO of Vivien International and National Marketing Manager at AT&T.

Mr. Kim serves as Independent Director of iClick Interactive (NASDAQ: ICLK) and is also active on organizations that promote the success of the Korean economy. Mr. Kim serves on the boards of the Korea-U.S. Economic Council (KUSEC) and the Busan-Jinhae Free Economic Zone (BJFEZ). In 2017, Mr. Kim became Vice Chairman of the Korean-American Association (KAA). He also serves as a member of the Advisory Commission of the ROK-U.S. Alliance Foundation.

Mr. Kim holds a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from the University of California, Los Angeles and a Master of Business Administration from Harvard University. As an avid tennis player, he enjoys competitive sports.