



Kotak Mahindra (UK) Limited

Abhishek Bhalotia (CEO)

Abhishek is a Bachelor in Commerce (Hons) from St Xavier's College, Kolkata, India. He is currently the CEO of KMUK, London. Prior to this, Abhishek was the CEO of KMUK Dubai. Abhishek joined the Kotak group in July, 1995. Since then he has been a part of various functions/ businesses at Kotak which included the Private Client Group, the Retail Group, the Wealth Management business and Kotak International business.

Mr. C. Jayaram (Director)

Gijo Joseph (CEO & Director)

Gijo Joseph is a MBA (Finance) from Bharthiyar University, Coimbatore and a BBA (Finance) from Mangalore University. Gijo is responsible for business development in Middle East & Africa, looking after Institutional business as well as distribution. Gijo joined the Kotak group in India in 2001 as part of Kotak Securities heading business development for the state of Karnataka. He joined Kotak Mahindra (UK) Ltd., Dubai in 2007. He is also on board of Kotak International and Kotak Mahindra Financial Services Ltd.

Hasan Askari (Independent non-executive director)

Hasan Askari an experienced investment banker was appointed as an independent non-executive director of the Board in April 2008. Mr Askari, an Oxford graduate, has considerable experience in senior management roles within major financial institutions and started his career in 1975 at SG Warburg (now UBS Investment Bank). From 1981 to 1989 he was at the investment arm of JP Morgan Chase initially in the Hong Kong business and then taking charge of the Japanese business. In 1989, he joined the UK investment bank Barclays Capital (then known as Barclays de Zoete Wedd), taking charge of its Japanese/North Asian business. He returned to Barclays Capital in London in 1992 in a senior capacity and left in 1999 but stayed on as an advisor until 2001. Mr Askari was most recently the Chief Executive of Old Mutual Financial Services (UK) plc, and a Trustee of the British Museum. He is a Trustee of the Great Ormond Street Hospital, UK.

Paul Parambi (Director)

Paul has qualified as an electronics engineer from Indian Institute of Technology, Chennai (1987) and has an MBA from Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad (1989). In his role as the head of International Business of Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd. He is also on board of Kotak Mahindra Inc. Paul is in charge of guiding the international asset management business of the Kotak Group. Paul has been associated with the International Business of the group since 1995 and has been instrumental in many ways for its evolution over the last fifteen years, including conceptualizing and establishing its asset management business outside India. Prior to joining Kotak Group, Paul worked in the sales and marketing function of the Unilever group in India for two years from 1989 to 1991.

Ruchit Puri (Director & CEO)

Ruchit completed his B.A. Economics (Hons) in 1991 from St. Stephen's College Delhi, after which he completed his MBA from NM Institute of Management Studies, Mumbai in 1993. Ruchit holds a CFA (Chartered Financial Analyst) degree from Charlottesville, Virginia. He is responsible for the development of the business in the Far East region where Kotak started its operations in 2007. Ruchit joined the Kotak Group in 2000 in India and has since then had a wide exposure and experience in client relationship, proprietary trading, product functions and business development.

Viswanathan Varadarajan (Director - Compliance & MLRO)

Viswanathan Varadarajan is the Director - Compliance & MLRO at Kotak Mahindra (UK) Limited since September 2000. He is also on board of Kotak Mahindra International and Kotak Mahindra Inc. From December 1999 to July 2000 he was the Chief Operating Officer and Company Secretary of Deutsche Securities India Private Ltd, a Company incorporated in India. He is an Associate Member of the Institute of Chartered Secretaries & Administrators (ICSA) since 2010. He is Associate Member of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India and Associate Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.