The value of a long-term partnership with WPP for innovation and growth

About WPP

WPP plc ("WPP") is the creative transformation company. Its global agencies are leaders in communications, experience, commerce and technology, operating across 110 countries.

HSBC has had a dynamic, trusted and constantly evolving partnership with WPP in Asia Pacific since 1998, which replaced multiple banking partners. The relationship now extends to 18 markets in the region.



Banking needs in Asia Pacific

WPP was looking for a long-term partnership with a trusted bank that could:

- Innovate as the company expands into new digital offerings
- Support day-to-day cash and liquidity management across WPP's diverse footprint
- Offer expertise on navigating regulatory requirements related to liquidity, particularly in more restricted markets

The value of the HSBC relationship

Accordingly to **Alex Koh**, Regional Treasurer, Asia-Pacific, WPP:

"HSBC has not failed us throughout our 20+ year partnership, which gives our senior management peace of mind. Our partnership has been a success because it is built on trust and is adaptable, innovative, centralised, and consistent across an international network."

Adaptable

"HSBC has evolved its service model to cater for WPP's own transformation process over the years."

Consistent

"We have received a consistent level of service and commitment across our operating business and markets."

Innovative

"HSBC continues to invest in digital solutions to help us remain competitive and efficient."

International

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"HSBC is well-equipped to manage the needs of multinational companies, with global reach and local market and regulatory expertise."

day operations."

Centralised

"The diversity and scale of

WPP meant having a regional

relationship manager who is

key to managing the day to

"Our achievements have been made possible with HSBC's deep regulatory knowledge and digital solutions. HSBC provides us with first-hand information as regulations change, so we are able to respond and adapt quickly to seize new opportunities."

Clement Yeung, Regional Deputy Treasurer, Asia-Pacific, WPP

Partnership in action

Improved operational efficiency

India – During COVID-19, staff could not sign paper documents, so HSBC rapidly implemented a digital signature solution and gained regulatory approval, for which the bank won an award.

Better visibility and mobility of cash

Hong Kong SAR – Cash is concentrated from China, Singapore and Japan into Hong Kong SAR, improving insight into regional liquidity.

Better access to liquidity

Philippines – HSBC expertise and knowledge of regulations facilitated the implementation of a cross border solution to access funds.

Support for WPP's digital transformation

Engaged subject matter experts to fine tune regional liquidity and domestic structures as regulations evolved. Projects included cross border sweeps and next generation virtual accounts.

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