



## Ronnie Man Chiu Wong, BBS, JP, Honor Administrator, Hong Kong, 2021



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**Ronnie Man Chiu Wong, BBS, JP** was a leader of the elite competitions for nearly three decades (until 2022) as a member of the FINA Technical Open Water Swim Committee (TOWSC). A member since 1992 and Chair since 2009 he took responsibility for the 10 km in the London 2012 and Rio de Janeiro 2016 Olympics. He visited over 30 countries and 50 cities on FINA's behalf. The TOWSC is responsible for rules establishment and overall direction of all the FINA marathon competitions (Olympics, World Championships, Grand Prix, World Cup, World Series and Junior Events).

He led Hong Kong to organize the Open Water World Cup series with China to form the Asia cluster from 2001 for over 15 consecutive years. This was of utmost importance prior to admitting marathon swimming into the Olympics, because before the Beijing Olympics, there were no elite competitions in Asia.

Ronnie represented Hong Kong in the Olympics: 1968 at age 16 (100, 200 & 400 free, 100 & 200 back and 200 IM) and 1972 (100 free, 100 fly and 20 IM). He also organized annual mass participation open water event from 2011 with 4,000 swimmers swimming across the Victoria Harbour in Hong Kong in 2018 (about 2km).

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