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## **E. GERVASE WARNER**

**President & Group CEO, Massy Holdings Ltd.**

**G**ervase Warner is an Executive Director of Massy Holdings and the President and Group CEO of the Massy Group. Prior to his appointment in 2009, he also served as the Executive Chairman of the Group's Energy & Industrial Gases Business Unit.

Prior to his Massy experience, Mr. Warner was a Partner at the international management consulting firm, McKinsey & Company, where he spent eleven years serving clients in the US, Latin America and Caribbean across a wide range of industries.

He currently serves on the Trinidad & Tobago Board of Citigroup Merchant Bank Limited, the Arthur Lok Jack Graduate School of Business and United Way Trinidad & Tobago.

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**R**obert Wickham leads Salesforce's efforts in Asia Pacific to help companies experiment and validate new ideas for business growth. Robert also directs Salesforce's regional program for start-ups. Previously Robert ran Salesforce's specialized sales team across Asia Pacific. He is a highly sort after public speaker and media contributor. Recent appearances include Sky News, Boss Magazine, Australian Institute for Company Directors & CloudAsia.

Prior to joining Salesforce, Robert led the Engineered Systems business at Oracle across Australia & New Zealand. He joined Oracle through acquisition in 2008 and initially ran Oracle's System Management business in North America.

Prior to his tenure at Oracle, Robert held multiple marketing, product management and sales leadership positions at a Boston-based technology startup called Empirix (which Oracle acquired in 2008). Prior to Empirix, Robert was a cofounder of Go Fly Limited (a low cost European airline that was eventually sold to easyJet) and a management consultant with the Boston Consulting Group.

He holds a Bachelor and Master's Degree in Aeronautical Engineering from The Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) as well as an MBA from the Harvard Business School. Robert was a member of the MIT Board of Trustees from 1996-2001 and the MIT Alumni Board from 2002-2004. He is a recipient of the MIT Bronze Beaver for distinguished alumni service. He is an avid squash player, golfer and cricket fan. Fun Fact: Robert played for the record-breaking Trinidad & Tobago under-19 cricket team captained by his classmate Brian Lara.

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## **KRISTINE GIBBON-THOMPSON** Co-Founder - Chuck E. Cheese's

**K**ristine Gibbon-Thompson is a Founding Director of Yay! Entertainment Limited, the franchise holder and operator of the Chuck E. Cheese's family entertainment restaurant brand in Trinidad. Prior to this, she was the Chief Executive Officer of Canboulay Energy Capital, a private equity energy fund based in the Caribbean, which was backed by the U.S.-based Denham Capital Management. Mrs. Thompson spent a number of years in project development on behalf of the fund, and most significantly on a large calcium chloride/caustic soda plant in Trinidad.

Prior to joining Canboulay/Carisal, Mrs. Thompson spent eight years as an Executive at Guardian Holdings Limited, a pan-Caribbean financial services player, where as Vice President, Business Development, she led the Mergers and Acquisitions function over a period where Guardian quadrupled in size. Before returning to Trinidad & Tobago in 2000, she spent seven years in management consulting at the Boston Consulting Group in Toronto, New York, Buenos Aires and Melbourne, Australia where she advised Fortune 500 companies in the areas of strategy, organizational development, acquisitions and process reengineering.

She holds a Bachelor of Commerce Degree from Queen's University and a Masters in Business Administration from the Harvard Business School.

Mrs. Thompson is also a non-executive director of Republic Financial Holdings Ltd., Republic Bank Limited, the IRP Group and the Arthur Lok Jack Graduate School of Business. She is married with a son and daughter.