

Barry O'Byrne

CEO of International Wealth and Premier Banking

Barry O'Byrne was appointed CEO of International Wealth and Premier Banking in October 2024. He is a member of the Group Operating Committee.

Mr O'Byrne joined HSBC as Group General Manager and Chief Operating Officer (COO) for Global Commercial Banking in April 2017, responsible for strategic change initiatives, data and analytics, middle office and the leadership of regional COOs. He was appointed CEO of Global Commercial Banking in August 2019 and led the business until September 2024.

He joined HSBC from GE Capital, where he worked for 19 years across a number of senior leadership roles. At GE Capital, his most recent appointment was CEO for GE Capital International. Previously he was COO for GE Capital International, with responsibility for the group's operations, technology, strategic initiatives and simplification strategy across more than 20 markets.

Mr O'Byrne has also held CEO positions in Italy, France and the UK and has served on boards in the UK, Switzerland, Germany, Italy and Spain.

He has a degree in Business Studies and French from the University of Limerick, and lives in Hong Kong with his wife and three daughters.