

## **Asian Business Association (ABA) Women in Business – An Inspiring Networking Evening**

**Host: Tony Matharu, Chairman, Asian Business Association and Managing Director, Grange Hotels**

Tony is Founder and Managing Director of Grange Hotels – ‘London’s Leading Independent Hotel Group’ – former winner of the “Best Small Hotel Company”. (Business Travel Awards), having graduated in Law and Economics at University.

His responsibilities include designing, building and managing 18 luxury 4 star and 5 star central London hotels. Tony is also Founder and Chairman of a global hospitality consultancy (Global Hospitality Services), which provides sales, marketing, technology and distribution services to over 250 hotels across the world.

Tony combines his passion for hospitality with philanthropy, sport and community engagement; acting as Founder and Chairman of Integrity International Trust – a company currently focussed on preventing the causes of sex trafficking, rescuing and rehabilitating victims and seeking prosecutions to breakdown the trafficking networks. He is also Founder and Chairman of IODR UK – a children’s emergency relief and development charity with projects mostly in the Indian Ocean Region; as London Chairman of the Lord’s Taverner’s - “giving young people a sporting chance”; as Vice President of the Oracle Head & Neck Cancer Research Trust; as Deputy Chairman of the Corporation of London’s ‘City Together’; as Chairman of the City of London’s ‘Vibrant & Culturally Rich City Group’; and as a Director of the London Business Improvement District (BID) – “In Mid Town”, now rebranded “Bee London”. Tony holds a number of Board and other positions in the Arts, charitable sector, and sport - particularly cricket and hockey, and he continues to play at representative and international levels.

Tony has founded many successful start-up organisations and companies. He was awarded ‘Hotelier of the Year’ in 2013; received a ‘Special Recognition Award for his “Contribution to London’s Success” and a ‘Technology and Innovation Award’ in 2014. He has recently been awarded an Honorary Doctorate for his contribution to the hospitality industry.