Hi, I’m Yen
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I am a Senior Vice President in the GC Analytics team in Singapore. I am a General Insurance actuary by training and provide analytical support to insurance and reinsurance clients in Southeast Asia and Korea. Insurance is not boring because it addresses a fundamental need, and is constantly evolving alongside the emerging trends and risks faced by the world we live in.

LIFE
In what ways do you contribute to ensuring a more equitable world?
I try to treat everyone with the same level of respect, regardless of rank or authority. I firmly believe that everyone deserves the same opportunities regardless of circumstance, and contribute regularly towards causes for improving education and health.

Who is a woman that inspires you?
Why? My mother. Growing up she didn’t have the opportunity for tertiary education due to limited financial resources, but she forged a career for herself nonetheless, defying typical gender roles of the time. Through it all she has maintained her optimism and trust in others, and is generous and kind to everyone. She has shown me that it is not money or power that matters in life, but your actions and behavior that make a true impact.

WORK
What first made you curious about exploring a career in reinsurance?
Having worked in both actuarial consulting and primary insurance roles, I was ready for a new perspective which also came packaged with the variety and dynamism of consulting work. Reinsurance appeals to me for the exposure to the mega trends in the market and the vantage point it offers, where I can observe and influence how companies formulate and execute their strategies in response to new challenges.

What programs, networking groups, or mentoring opportunities are you involved at Guy Carpenter?
I currently manage a team of young professionals and try to guide them as best as I can, drawing from my own experiences. It is exciting to see their careers develop, and they often reverse-mentor me by giving me a fresh perspective on things.

What’s the best career advice you’ve ever received?
‘If you only do what you can do, you will never be more than what you are now’ – Master Shifu, from the film Kungfu Panda. Whilst not technically career advice, this has resonated with me and is how I drive my personal and professional progression.

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