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Ta-Lin Hsu, VC*

Age: 62

Company: H&Q Asia Pacific

Veteran Pacific Rim investor scored with SMIC. Turned \$30 million into \$200 million with South Korean brokerage firm Good Morning Securities.



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