

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K  
REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER  
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15D-16 UNDER  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of February, 2012  
Commission File Number: 000-30540

GIGAMEDIA LIMITED  
207 Tiding Blvd – Section 2  
Taipei, Taiwan (R.O.C.)

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.)

Form 20-F [  ]                      Form 40-F [      ]

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.)

Yes [      ]                      No [  ]

(If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b) :82-                      .)

GIGAMEDIA LIMITED is submitting under cover of Form 6-K:

1. GigaMedia: New CFO Dirk Chen (attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1)

## Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

GigaMedia Limited  
(Registrant)

Date: February 2, 2012

By: /s/ Dirk Chen  
(Signature)  
Name: Dirk Chen  
Title: Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit 99.1  
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## **GigaMedia: New CFO Dirk Chen**

TAIPEI, Taiwan, February 1, 2012 – GigaMedia Limited (NASDAQ: GIGM) ("GigaMedia") announced today that it has appointed Dirk Chen as chief financial officer, effective immediately.

Mr. Chen brings extensive financial leadership experience in international business to GigaMedia and an excellent record of delivering corporate growth and strong financial performance. During a 30-year career with Taiwan-based Chailease Finance, a leading financial firm, Dirk served the company in different key roles, including senior advisor, president and chief financial officer, and successfully led several important initiatives. He spearheaded growth in China, tripling the firm's revenues in that market. Following the 2008 financial crisis, he directed a turnaround team at the firm's New York operations, developing solutions that contributed to significant improvements in financial performance.

Dirk also served as the chief financial officer of the publicly listed firm Financial One Corp. in Singapore and is experienced in U.S. GAAP.

"New financial management for the new Giga and expertise in turning around and growing challenged companies – we are delighted to add Dirk to our team," stated GigaMedia Chief Executive Officer John Stringer. "His combination of financial, team-building and leadership skills, and his proven ability to develop financial solutions for superior performance will help us drive and manage growth."

Mr. Chen has been with GigaMedia as a board member and special advisor since November 2011. He succeeds Quincy Tang, who will assume Mr. Chen's previous role as special advisor to GigaMedia.

The company and its board thank Mr. Tang for his dedication and leadership during his tenure as CFO.

### **About GigaMedia**

GigaMedia Limited (Singapore registration number: 199905474H) is a major provider of online entertainment software and services. Through its subsidiaries, GigaMedia develops and operates a suite of online games in

Asia, covering all regions of Greater China and Southeast Asia. More information on GigaMedia can be obtained from [www.gigamedia.com](http://www.gigamedia.com).

*The statements included above and elsewhere in this press release that are not historical in nature are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. GigaMedia cautions readers that forward-looking statements are based on the company's current expectations and involve a number of risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ materially from those contained in such forward-looking statements. Information as to certain factors that could cause actual results to vary can be found in GigaMedia's Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission in June 2011.*

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