

## CityU Law School Receives HK\$ 3.8 M to support LLM Chinese Judges Programme

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Officiating guests with LLM Chinese judges students

CityU Law School received another generous donation of HKD 3.8M from the Fu Tak lam Foundation Ltd on 6 Oct 2011. This is the fourth annual donation from the Foundation to support the Master of Laws (Chinese judges) Programme in 2012.

CityU Law School is entrusted with the task of educating the Chinese judges and enhancing their professional capabilities. The LLM Programme has been running for the fourth consecutive years. Another group of 30 Chinese judge students will arrive at CityU for a one-year LLM programme to get a comprehensive picture of Hong Kong's common law system.

An official cheque presentation held on 6 Oct 2011 was attended by Mr Adrian Fu, Chairman of the Fu Tak lam Foundation Ltd., Co-Chairmen of the International Advisory Board (IAB) of CityU Law School: Prof. Michael REISMAN, Myres S. McDougal Professor of International Law of Yale Law School and Dr Simon Ip, Vice Chairman of the Fu Tak lam Foundation Ltd., Prof. Mahnoush ARSANJANI, IAB Member and Consultant of International Energy Forum, Mr. George TAM, IAB Member and Principal of Wah Yan College, Professor Way Kuo, President of City University of Hong Kong and Professor Wang Guiguo, Dean of the CityU Law School.



Mr. Adrian Fu conferred the cheque to Prof. Way Kuo and Prof. Wang Guiguo

Mr. Adrian Fu expressed his appreciation to the School for creating such an innovative programme which will have a profound impact on the reforms of the legal system in China. He said: "I am proud to have been supporting the pioneering academic programme for four years in a row. The programme is extremely valuable for that it brings exchange and transformation. The young judges from another jurisdiction are expected to transfer the knowledge they learned here to their country and push forward future reforms in China."



Dr. Simon IP

Dr. Simon IP, on behalf of the International Advisory Board of CityU Law School, appreciated the visionary leadership of three parties for creating the programme, that is, the leaders of judicial system in the mainland, the innovative spirit of CityU Law School and unconditional support of Fu Tak lam Foudation. "The three elements come together to make the Programme possible", he said.

Professor Way Kuo noted that CityU Law School is always capable in bringing scholars and practitioners from different jurisdictions together. He then said: "The donation is a start of the transformation process. I promise that CityU will make best use of the donation and produce ultimate output."

Professor Michael REISMAN said that the collaboration between the foundation and the university is particularly useful to provide best resources to the students and improve the quality of education.



Prof. Michael REISMAN



Prof. Mahnoush ARSANJANI

Prof. Mahnoush ARSANJANI appreciated the vision of the City University of Hong Kong to come up with such a comprehensive programme of the legal education to the judges. Mr. George TAM expressed his gratitude to Fu Tak lam Foundation for the continuous support. He believes that the Programme will enhance the efficiency and quality of Chinese judges towards

foreign-related legal issues.

Professor WANG Guiguo thanked the throughout support of the foundation. He added: "The programme has gradually manifested its manifold impacts.

Remarkably, 40 percent of the Chinese judges got promoted after graduation,



Mr. George TAM

which shows they are exerting more influences on the judicial development in China. With the visionary decision of the Foundation, dedication and valuable contributions by my colleagues in the Law School, the programme is promised to embrace more achievements. ”