



# CHAIRMAN'S FOREWORD

## 校董會主席序言

### MAINTAINING EXCELLENCE DESPITE THE CHALLENGES

### 面對挑戰 保持卓越

Another landmark year experienced by the flourishing City University of Hong Kong (CityU) family brought a mixture of emotions. We bid a fond farewell to our former president, Professor Way Kuo, who served CityU diligently for 15 years, transforming CityU into a genuinely world-class university. We then welcomed the hugely experienced and wonderfully talented new President, Professor Freddy Boey, who is ushering in a new era with fresh ideas, innovative perspectives and an incredible track record as a researcher, teacher and administrator. I am grateful to both of these excellent university practitioners for their commitment to CityU.

香港城市大學(城大)蓬勃發展，去年經歷了又一個極具里程碑意義的一年，當中既有感慨又充滿希望。我們向郭位教授誠摯道別，他服務城大長達15年，兢兢業業，將城大發展為實至名歸的世界級大學。隨後，我們迎來新校長梅彥昌教授。梅教授經驗豐富、才華超卓，他以全新的理念、創新的視角，兼具研究、管理和教學的佳績，開啟城大新時代。在此，我謹向致力推動城大發展的兩位傑出大學管理者表達謝意。



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CityU's reputation continued to develop over 2022/23. We want others to better understand the great work we produce at CityU, and several events in the year under review positively served that objective. For example, the stellar achievement of Professor Alain Aspect, Senior Fellow at the Hong Kong Institute for Advanced Study, winning the Nobel Prize in Physics 2022, shone a bright light on CityU and our research accomplishments. The Nobel Prize triumph of Professor Aspect, a long-time friend of CityU, who was conferred an Honorary Doctor of Science by CityU in 2018, was a powerful indicator to the rest of the world that CityU research is world-class.

At the same time, our blossoming links with industry and government-level partners have boosted our reputation, too. Memoranda of Understanding signed with innovation and technology investment companies established more than just financial assistance for selected HK Tech 300 start-ups. Similarly, high-level exchanges with the Futian District People's Government, Shenzhen on further cooperation on research and technology development elevated our status on the mainland.

2022/23 underscored the extent to which our research is fully recognised for its excellence. Not only do our scholars figure prominently in ranking activities, but our researchers also received more awards than any other Hong Kong university for the third year running at the International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva in April 2023. What's more, faculty members were elevated to the rank of Fellow by a number of Academies and received prestigious awards from bodies such as IEEE.

Anyone who wishes to gain and create knowledge, to learn and share more, should come to CityU. This was evident when we ran a series of well-received gatherings under the HK Tech Forum that saw Nobel Laureates and Turing Award recipients participate in discussions on highly relevant topics in chemistry, data science, AI, intelligent systems, matter and materials, environment issues, physics and health.

在2022/23年度，城大聲譽持續提升。我們希望外界更好地了解城大各項成就，而本年度的幾項盛事為此目標助益良多。例如，香港高等研究院資深院士阿蘭·阿斯佩教授榮獲2022年諾貝爾物理學獎，這項輝煌成就使城大及其研究成果更為熠熠生輝。阿斯佩教授與城大淵源甚深，早於2018年已獲城大頒授榮譽博士學位，他獲頒諾獎的非凡成就，向全球表明城大具世界級研究實力。

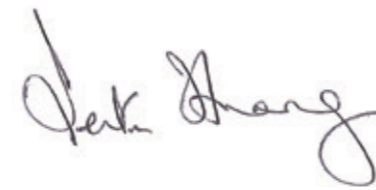
城大同時持續發展與業界及政府層面的合作夥伴關係，提升大學聲譽。大學與創新科技投資公司簽署合作備忘錄，為經甄選的「HK Tech 300」初創企業提供財政以至其他資助。城大亦與深圳市福田區人民政府就更多研究及科技的合作進行高層交流，提升城大在內地的地位。

2022/23年度，城大的卓越研究獲充分認可。我們的學者不僅在各項排名中位居前列，同時在2023年4月日內瓦國際發明展上，城大研究員的獲獎數目連續三年為全港大學之冠。此外，多位教研人員膺選為學術機構院士，或榮獲電機電子工程師學會等組織頒發的知名獎項。

各位有志深思鑽研、力學篤行、交流切磋之士，不可錯過到來城大。我們舉行了一系列HK Tech Forum論壇，邀得諾貝爾獎得主和圖靈獎得主參與，探討化學、數據科學、人工智能、智能系統、物質和材料、環境問題、物理和健康等與人類密切相關的議題，這是城大招聚人才的例證。

Ultimately, a well-burnished reputation means that CityU has many friends, generous individuals and organisations who wish to see us prosper. We saw ample evidence of this big-heartedness when our fundraising campaign "United, We Soar" hit its target 18 months ahead of schedule; when our donors and supporters helped to launch the Named Chair Professorships; and when so many distinguished persons this year kindly accepted our offers of Honorary Fellowships and Honorary Doctorates.

With friends like these and under the guidance of our new president, Professor Boey, I am confident that CityU will continue to flourish.

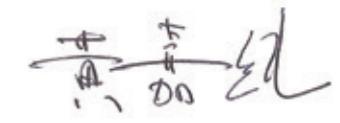


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總而言之，城大能有今日的顯赫聲名，是因為一眾友好、慷慨捐助的社會人士及機構的殷切期望，盼城大繁榮發展。以下善舉堪足證明：城大籌款計劃「城就未來 共創明天」廣獲社會各界熱烈支持，籌募目標提前一年半完成；捐贈者及支持者對城大冠名講座教授席計劃的支持；本年度有多位傑出人士接受城大頒授的榮譽院士、榮譽博士銜。

有如此熱心的各界友好支持，加上新任校長梅教授的領導，我深信城大將持續蓬勃發展。



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