

Honorary Fellow Ms Dilys Chau Suet-fung

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Chairman of the Council and President:

Ms Dilys Chau Suet-fung was born in Hong Kong, and obtained her Bachelor of Arts in Accountancy from City University of Hong Kong and her Master of Business Administration from the Chinese University of Hong Kong. Ms Chau is a practising member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, a fellow member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and a registered auditor in Macau.

Ms Chau's career as an accountant has followed a consistently upward trajectory. Upon her graduation from the University, she joined the international accounting firm of Ernst & Young where she became a partner in 2002. Ms Chau has played an active role in the accountancy profession in Hong Kong. She served on the Committee of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) Hong Kong from 1998 to 2008 and was President of ACCA HK in 2006/2007. Through this role, she has contributed to her profession through providing technical training to accountants and raising the interests of students in pursuing a career in the accountancy profession.

Ms Chau has always been a supportive alumna and has contributed to the development of the University in different capacities over the years. She was a Member of the Court of the University and of the Advisory Committee of the School of Continuing and Professional Education. She served as a member of the Council of the University from 2007 to 2010 and was re-appointed to serve from 2013 to 2015. She is currently the Vice Chairman of the CityU Eminence Society, an association formed by senior alumni. With her extensive professional knowledge in the accounting and business arena, and her experience in serving voluntarily in different sectors in Hong Kong, she made significant contributions as a member of the Audit Committee, the Finance Committee, the Main Tender Board and other committees of the Council. She received the Distinguished Alumni Award

from CityU in 2011 and the Chapter Honoree Award of the Beta Gama Sigma Chapter of CityU in 2011/12.

With her professional knowledge, Ms Chau has actively engaged in serving Hong Kong through various appointments as an independent member to different roles by the Government of the HKSAR. She is currently a member of the Education Commission and the Quality Education Fund Steering Committee under the Education Bureau, a member of the Standing Committee on Disciplined Services Salaries and Conditions of Service under the Civil Service Bureau, a member of the Banking Review Tribunal under the Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau, and an independent director of the Travel Industry Council of Hong Kong under the Tourism Commission. She was a member of the Harbourfront Commission under the Development Bureau, the Committee on Free Kindergarten Education under the Education Bureau, the Financial Reporting Review Panel of the Financial Reporting Council, the Capital Adequacy Review Tribunal and the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal Panel.

Ms Chau is a dedicated Christian and has been Chairman of the Association of Christian Accountants (ACA) since 2014. Under her leadership, ACA has successfully partnered with other professional accountancy bodies as well as other Christian bodies in different professional disciplines in Hong Kong in social responsibility initiatives including care for the poor and underprivileged and also care for the well-being of accounting professionals. The “We Care” seminar series that ACA has been running for three years has benefitted over thousands of professional accountants through the sharing of psychologists and counsellors on stress and conflict management and also on important values in family and workplace ethics. Ms Chau strives to practice the core values of her “FAITH”: Fairness, Accountability, Integrity, Truthfulness and Holiness in the workplace and in the community services in which she is engaged.

Mr Chairman and Mr President, I earnestly present Ms Chau in recognition of her outstanding achievements and multiple contributions. It is my pleasure to present her to you who has been conferred the title of Honorary Fellow.