

Appointments of two new members to Advisory Committee on Gifted Education

The Education Bureau today (June 10) announced the appointment of two new members to the Advisory Committee on Gifted Education (ACGE). Their appointments will take effect today and end on March 31, 2021.

The ACGE was set up in April 2017 to advise the Secretary for Education on the use and management of the Gifted Education Fund, long-term development of gifted education in Hong Kong, and measures and initiatives for promoting gifted education.

The two new members are Miss Ada Li Yuen-yung and Mr Cheng Ho-wai. Miss Ada Li is a student at the Chinese University of Hong Kong undertaking the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery Programme; and Mr Cheng Ho-wai is the Chief Operating Officer of a charitable institution. They are both appointed under the Member Self-recommendation Scheme for Youth.

The full list of membership of the ACGE from June 10, 2019 to March 31, 2021, is as follows:

Chairman

Dr Pang Yiu-kai

Non-official members

Professor Cheng Shuk-han
Dr John Tan Kang
Sister Anita Kwok Ming-ying
Ms Sonia Cheng Chi-man
Dr Allen Fung Yuk-lun
Ms Carrie Leung Ka-lai
Ms Cecilia Lee Sau-wai
Dr Lam Hiu-fung
Ms Ada Li Yuen-yung
Mr Cheng Ho-wai

Ex-officio members

Permanent Secretary for Education
Deputy Secretary for Education (5)
Chairman, Board of Directors of the Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education
Chairperson, Committee on Gifted Education of the Curriculum Development Council

Global video creation platform taps Hong Kong's regional hub advantage (with photo)

Corporate video production specialist 90 Seconds announced today (June 10) that it has opened its new office in Hong Kong to meet growing demand from local companies and to tap into the city's strategic location to expand its coverage in North Asia, especially the Mainland and Taiwan markets.

90 Seconds is a simple-to-use video creation platform that connects brands with video creators worldwide through a streamlined workflow, according to its Co-founder and Vice President of Strategic Growth, Mr Nick Erskine-Shaw. After the client has input essential information such as budget, project due date and briefs about its creative vision, 90 Seconds will match the project with experienced creators that can best deliver the videos. Content plans can be revised via the platform before and after purchase.

Mr Erskine-Shaw said, "We've seen an increasing demand from clients in Hong Kong as corporate video is a big part of branding and marketing. In order to serve our clients better, we decided to have a physical presence here with Jessica Triffitt, our Business Director HK leading the way. The Hong Kong office will also be our North Asia headquarters helping us serve clients from the fast growing Mainland and Taiwan markets, as the city is close to both places."

He added, "Hong Kong is a highly strategic international market for the region. With many regional businesses and key decision makers based here, our entry into the market gives us the opportunity to continue building on our vision to create quality video at scale."

Associate Director-General of Investment Promotion, Dr Jimmy Chiang, said, "We're happy to see that 90 Seconds chose Hong Kong as its North Asia headquarters, leveraging the city's geographical proximity to the Mainland and Taiwan as well as its world-class Internet connectivity to take its business to the next level. We wish it every success in Hong Kong and beyond."

About 90 Seconds

Founded in 2010, 90 Seconds is a global video creation platform that provides access to more than 12,000 creators in over 160 countries and 900 cities across categories including videographers, directors, editors, animators, drone operators, photographers and many more. The company has a global team of 150 employees, based in Singapore, London, Tokyo, Manila, San Francisco, Sydney, Auckland and Hong Kong, working on product, growth opportunities and customer success. For more information, please visit

www.90seconds.com.

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Statement by Non-official ExCo Members on public procession on amendments to Fugitive Offenders Ordinance

The following is issued on behalf of the Executive Council Secretariat:

The Non-official Members of the Executive Council (ExCo Members) today (June 10) issued the following statement on the public procession on the Government's proposed amendments to the Fugitive Offenders Ordinance yesterday.

The ExCo Members noted that a large number of people took part in a public procession yesterday on the Government's proposed amendments to the Fugitive Offenders Ordinance. The procession, which was conducted in an orderly manner, illustrated that the rights of Hong Kong people to freedom of assembly and freedom of expression were fully protected by the Basic Law. The ExCo Members, however, expressed regrets over the violent acts of a small number of protesters near the Legislative Council Complex in the small hours

of today.

The ExCo Members reiterated their support to the Government's legislative exercise to ensure that justice be done, observe Hong Kong's obligations in combating transnational crimes, avoid Hong Kong from becoming a bolt-hole for criminals and safeguard Hong Kong's international reputation in the legal aspects. The Government has explained in detail on multiple occasions the rationale behind the amendments, the respective categories of offences and the legal and administrative safeguards to allay worries raised earlier by different sectors of the community.

The ExCo Members hope that the Government will continue to enhance communication and publicity in response to public concerns on the matter, and call on members of the public to consider the objectives of the amendment bill as well as its content in a calm and reasonable manner and support the Government's legislative exercise.

Red flags hoisted at some beaches

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (June 10) that due to big waves, red flags have been hoisted at Turtle Cove Beach in Southern District, Hong Kong Island; Hung Shing Yeh Beach and Pui O Beach in Islands District. Beach-goers are advised not to swim at these beaches.

SFH to attend first Global Health Forum of Boao Forum for Asia in Qingdao

The Secretary for Food and Health, Professor Sophia Chan, today (June 10) will depart for Qingdao to attend the first Global Health Forum of the Boao Forum for Asia to be held tomorrow (June 11).

The forum, co-organised by the Boao Forum for Asia and the Government of Shandong Province, will cover various topics including "Universal Healthcare

Coverage", "Health in All Policies" and "Innovation" under the theme of "Health Beyond Health – In the Year of Sustainable Development 2030".

Professor Chan will attend the opening ceremony cum plenary session tomorrow, and take the opportunity to meet with the president of the Forum and the Honorary Director-General of the World Health Organization, Dr Margaret Chan.

Professor Chan will return to Hong Kong in the evening tomorrow. During her absence, the Under Secretary for Food and Health, Dr Chui Tak-yi, will be the Acting Secretary for Food and Health.

The Director of Health, Dr Constance Chan, will accompany Professor Chan on the visit.