

Research Grants Council to present public lectures on “Developing Hong Kong into a Global FinTech Hub” on October 10

The following is issued on behalf of the University Grants Committee:

The Research Grants Council (RGC) will present its second set of public lectures this year under the theme "Developing Hong Kong into a Global FinTech Hub" on October 10 (Saturday) at the Hong Kong Science Museum.

The RGC has invited Professor of the Department of Computer Science of the University of Hong Kong, Professor Yiu Siu Ming, and Professor of the Department of Land Surveying and Geo-Informatics of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Professor Shi Wenzhong, to share their research findings and knowledge with the public. Details are as follows:

Time: 2.30pm to 4.30pm

Venue: Lecture Hall, Hong Kong Science Museum

Language: Cantonese

Admission: Free

Enrolment method: Online registration, participants may join either the on-site or Zoom online lectures (limited space available on a first-come, first-served basis)

Developing Hong Kong into a global fintech hub is critical to maintaining Hong Kong's leading position in finance. What exactly is fintech? More importantly, what fintech technologies should Hong Kong develop to make itself stand out from the competition? In his talk titled "What technologies are driving FinTech forward?", Professor Yiu will provide insights to these questions and share with the audience what can be done to nurture high-end fintech professionals and attract young talent (including secondary school leavers) into this area.

Professor Shi, in his talk titled "Hong Kong as a Smart Global City", will highlight the territory's great potential for becoming an international leading innovation centre in urban informatics, with a comprehensive overview of its existing research strengths related to urban geo-informatics, including GIScience, remote sensing and satellite positioning, artificial intelligence, urban planning, urban policy and geography, as well as urban and regional studies.

The public lectures of the RGC aim at arousing public interest in local research developments. Since 2009, the RGC has invited numerous leading scholars to speak at these lectures. For enrolment and enquiries, please visit the University Grants Committee webpage (www.ugc.edu.hk/eng/rgc/about/events/lectures/lectures.html).