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ACRU 2021
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Time: 9.15am–5.45pm

22nd ACRU ANNUAL CORPORATE AND REGULATORY UPDATE

Early Bird Deadline on 15 May 2021

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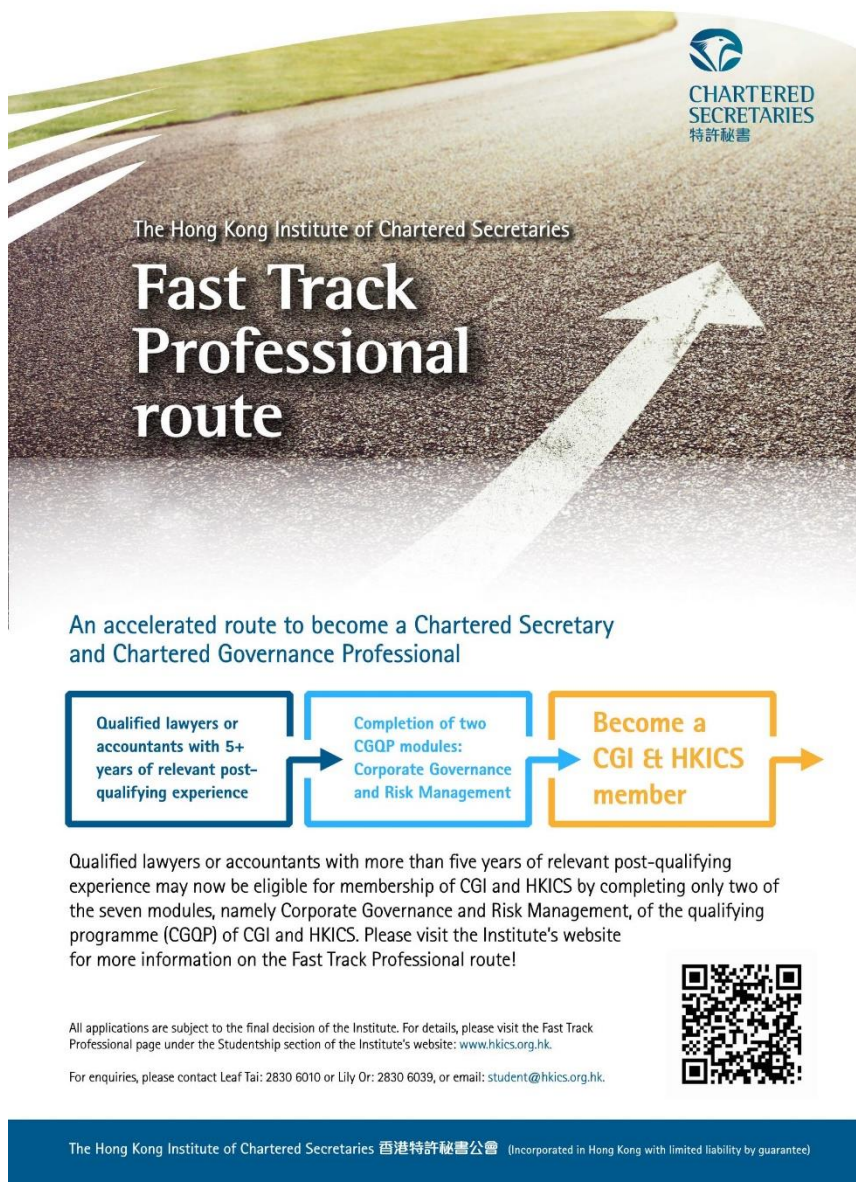
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- **HKICS 22nd Annual Corporate and Regulatory Update (Online Conference)**
The 22nd Annual Corporate and Regulatory Update (ACRU 2021) of The Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries (HKICS) will be held online on Friday, 11 June 2021. We are

delighted to inform you that the Early Bird Offer has been extended to Saturday, 15 May 2021. It is our privilege to have The Honourable Christopher Hui Ching-yu JP, Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury, The HKSAR Government, as our Guest of Honour. ACRU 2021 will contain a sharing by the Government of some of the important initiatives for the promotion of Hong Kong as an international financial centre, as well as providing an update of important emerging regulatory developments, concerns, and enforcement trends.

For details and registration, please click [HERE](#).



The Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries

Fast Track Professional route

CHARTERED SECRETARIES
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An accelerated route to become a Chartered Secretary and Chartered Governance Professional

Qualified lawyers or accountants with 5+ years of relevant post-qualifying experience

Completion of two CGQP modules: Corporate Governance and Risk Management

Become a CGI & HKICS member

Qualified lawyers or accountants with more than five years of relevant post-qualifying experience may now be eligible for membership of CGI and HKICS by completing only two of the seven modules, namely Corporate Governance and Risk Management, of the qualifying programme (CGQP) of CGI and HKICS. Please visit the Institute's website for more information on the Fast Track Professional route!

All applications are subject to the final decision of the Institute. For details, please visit the Fast Track Professional page under the Studentship section of the Institute's website: www.hkics.org.hk.

For enquiries, please contact Leaf Tai: 2830 6010 or Lily Or: 2830 6039, or email: student@hkics.org.hk.

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- **New Fast Track Professional route to CGI and Institute membership**

From 1 January 2021, a new Fast Track Professional route has become available for qualified lawyers and accountants who wish to become Chartered Secretaries and Chartered Governance Professionals. The recorded video of the introduction session for the Fast Track Professional route is now available on the Institute's website.

For details, please click [HERE](#).

- **CSj goes green**

In support of preserving the environment, eCSj has been made available on the Institute's [website](#) from August 2015 onwards. The Institute offers its members and graduates to make an election on whether to receive CSj electronically or in print once a year during May 2021 from 1 May to 31 May 2021.

For details, please click [HERE](#).

- **CGQP June 2021 Examinations**

The pre-released case study for CGQP Part II modules, namely Strategic Management, Risk Management and Boardroom Dynamics, have been emailed to the candidates of these modules on 27 April 2021. If candidates have not yet received the email, please contact Leaf Tai: 2830 6010, or email: exam@hkics.org.hk.

- **Video-recorded examination technique online workshops (Part 1) subscription**

The video-recorded examination technique online workshops (Part 1) for CGQP June 2021 Examinations are now available for subscription. These workshops are designed for students with substantive knowledge on the respective CGQP modules to focus on how to apply the knowledge during the examinations.

For details, please click [HERE](#).

- **HKICS Guidance Note update**

The Institute has published the sixth issue of Competition Law Guidance Note. Competition law is a compliance topic which the governance professional needs to be aware of, and please consider reading the guidance note.

To view the Guidance Note, please click [HERE](#).

FORTHCOMING ACTIVITIES

Professional Development:

- **Update on Practical Governance Issues/Regulatory Responses (Webinar)**

Governance is constantly evolving. In this webinar on 5 May 2021, Institute Chief Executive, Ellie Pang, a former Exchange policy lead on corporate governance, will discuss some of the major developing themes under the Corporate Governance Code (CG Code) and related Listing Rules.

In fact, on 16 April 2021, HKEX published a consultation paper [HERE](#) outlining new measures to enhance corporate governance standards specifically in the areas of (a) corporate culture, (b) director independence, (c) diversity, (d) communication with shareholders, and (e) ESG.

Enrol in this practical webinar to understand the new measures covered under the consultation paper as well as pertinent governance issues and related regulatory responses, which would help equip the governance professional to provide up-to-date and relevant advice in this area.

Joining her will be Institute Deputy Chief Executive, Mohan Datwani FCG FCS(PE), to review the vexed topic of board diversity, with a focus on gender diversity.

For details and registration, please click [HERE](#).

- **Upcoming ECPD webinars/seminars are available for enrolment**

[ENROL](#)

- **Register for video-recorded CPD seminars**

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Membership:

Date	Event Name	Enrolment
18 May 2021	Fireside Chat Series with David Simmonds FCG FCS (English session) (Free webinar)	Enrol

26 May 2021	Run better: Correct running posture and techniques (Cantonese session) (Free webinar)	Enrol
4 June 2021	Fireside Chat Series with Agnes Cheuk ACG ACS (Cantonese session) (Free webinar)	Enrol
12 June 2021	Fun & Interest Group – Candle making workshop (Morning session) (Cantonese session) (Admission fee is required)	Enrol
12 June 2021	Fun & Interest Group – Candle making workshop (Afternoon session) (Cantonese session) (Admission fee is required)	Enrol
17 June 2021	Email scams, phone frauds & fund recovery actions (Cantonese session) (Free webinar)	Enrol
9 July 2021	Easy recycling tips to save the environment and money (Cantonese session) (Free webinar)	Enrol

For enquiries, please contact Vicky Lui: 2830 6088, or email: member@hkics.org.hk.

Studentship:

Date	Event Name	Enrolment
18 May 2021	Postgraduate Programme in Corporate Governance in Shenzhen – Information Session (Putonghua session) (Free webinar)	For details, please click HERE .
27 May 2021	Governance Professionals Information Session (English session) (Free webinar)	Enrol

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REMINDERS

- **Studentship renewal fee**
Students whose studentship expired in March 2021 are reminded to settle their renewal payments by Sunday 23 May 2021. Failure to settle the renewal payment by the deadline will result in the removal of studentship.
- **Fellowship and associateship application deadlines in 2021:**

Application deadline	Approval date
Friday 30 July	Thursday 2 September
Friday 8 October	Thursday 18 November

- **Application for concessionary subscription rate for 2021/2022**
The Institute continues to offer concessionary subscription rates to members who satisfy the necessary criteria. Online application for the concessionary subscription is now available.

For details, please click [HERE](#).

- **CPD declaration**
All members and graduates are required to declare the fulfilment of their CPD requirements online by 31 July 2021. This will require 15 CPD hours in total, of which 3 ECPD hours should be from the Institute's ECPD designated courses and activities for the 2020/2021 CPD year (i.e. 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021).
[ONLINE DECLARATION](#)
- **CPD policy**
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- **Consequences of CPD non-compliance**
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- **Individual package 2020/2021**
[APPLY](#)
- **Corporate package 2020/2021**
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- **Practitioner's Endorsement application 2020/2021**
[APPLY](#)
- **Fee structure 2020/2021**
[Membership, Graduateship and Affiliated Person fee schedule](#)
[Studentship fee schedule](#)
- **Fellowship benefits factsheet**
[MORE](#)
- **Update of CGQP syllabus and recommended study materials**
The updated syllabus and recommended study materials are now available online.

For details, please click [HERE](#).

- **Learning support for CGQP examinations preparation**
Videos of the following student gatherings are available on the Institute's website under the Studentship Section:

Topic	Link
Update of the CGQP and how to use the PrimeLaw online platform	<i>To view the video, please click HERE.</i>
How to study for the CGQP modules – Session one (Law, Governance and Compliance modules)	<i>To view the video, please click HERE.</i>
How to study for the CGQP modules – Session two (Accounting and Management modules)	<i>To view the video, please click HERE.</i>

Videos of the following workshops and student seminars are available on the Institute's website under the Studentship Section:

Topic	Link
Examination technique online workshops (Part 1)	<i>To subscribe the video, please click HERE.</i>
An alternative introduction to company law - Session 1: Key players in company law and corporate governance	<i>To subscribe the video, please click HERE.</i>
An alternative introduction to company law - Session 2: Interesting questions about the corporate personality	<i>To subscribe the video, please click HERE.</i>
Corporate secretaryship and compliance – Shares and share capital (Part 1)	<i>To subscribe the video, please click HERE.</i>
Corporate secretaryship and compliance – Shares and share capital (Part 2)	<i>To subscribe the video, please click HERE.</i>

CGQP past papers and online study materials are available on the Institute's website and the PrimeLaw online platform respectively.

For questions regarding the past papers, please contact the Education and Examinations Section: 2881 6177, or email: student@hkics.org.hk. For technical questions regarding the PrimeLaw account, please contact Wolters Kluwer Hong Kong's customer

service: hkics@wolterskluwer.com.

FEATURED JOB OPENINGS

Company Name	Position
Conyers Dill & Pearman	Corporate Administrator
The Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries	Company Secretary (Ref: CS2021-04)
Conyers Dill & Pearman	Group Secretary
The Law Debenture Corporation (H.K.) Ltd	Corporate Secretarial Manager
Sit, Fung, Kwong & Shum Solicitors	Company Secretarial Assistant/Officer
The Law Debenture Corporation (H.K.) Ltd	Global Entity Coordinator

If you are looking for career opportunities, please visit [Featured Job Openings](#) online for the latest update.

If you are hiring, please click [HERE](#) for details.

OTHER NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

■ Bulletin Board Updates (BBUs)

[China BBU No.2 \(2021\)](#)

[BBU No. 484 \(2021\)](#) – Trade and Industry Department news update: Enhancements to SME Export Marketing Fund (EMF)

[BBU No. 483 \(2021\)](#) – CC news update: Competition Commission announces appointment of Chief Executive Officer

[BBU No. 482 \(2021\)](#) – The HKSAR Government news update: Member Self-recommendation Scheme for Youth Phase IV

[BBU No. 481 \(2021\)](#) – Inland Revenue Department news update: Government welcomes passage of Inland Revenue (Amendment) (Tax Concessions for Carried Interest) Bill 2021

[BBU No. 480 \(2021\)](#) – Inland Revenue Department news update: New real time interactive service - Chatbot 'Iris'

[BBU No. 479 \(2021\)](#) – CR news update: Letter from the Registry for Trust and Company Service Providers of the Companies Registry

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