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INSTITUTE NEWS

- **Announcements for limited services at the Secretariat offices**

To reduce the risk of spread of the novel coronavirus in the community, The Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries (the Institute) announced that both the Hong Kong Secretariat and Beijing offices will maintain limited services from 3 February 2020 to 9 February 2020.

The Institute is making alternative arrangements for the seminars and events scheduled to be held in February 2020, and shall notify the registered participants of the new arrangements soon.

The health and safety of members, friends and staff is the top priority of the Institute. Please visit the website of Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health of the HKSAR Government <https://www.chp.gov.hk> for guidance on infection control measures. The Institute will review the situation closely and make further announcements, if necessary.

Members, graduates, students and friends are encouraged to communicate with the Institute via electronic means as much as possible. Please visit the Institute's website: www.hkics.org.hk regularly for the latest information.

- **ACRU 2020 – Save the date!**

HKICS' 21st Annual Corporate and Regulatory Update (ACRU 2020) conference which brings together prominent speakers from the regulatory bodies in Hong Kong: the Companies Registry; Hong Kong Business Ethics Development Centre, ICAC; Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited and the Securities and Futures Commission will be held at Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre on Friday 5 June 2020. Details will be announced soon on the Institute's website: www.hkics.org.hk.

- **Governance Professionals Career Day 2020**

HKICS Governance Professionals Career Day aims at providing undergraduates and HKICS students aspiring to become governance professionals an overview of what Chartered Secretary (CS) and Chartered Governance Professional (CGP) are and the career possibilities. If your friend is an undergraduate from any discipline or you are an HKICS student, please join the event on Saturday 7 March 2020 at Grand Ballroom, 1/F, Harbour Grand Hong Kong.

Ms Ada Chung, JP, Registrar of Companies, Companies Registry is the Guest of Honour.

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

- **Submission**

On 24 January 2020, the Institute made a Submission on the Consultation Paper on 'Proposed Enhancements to the Open-ended Fund Companies Regime'. The Institute supported the

introduction of enhancements to the open-ended fund companies (OFC) regime in Hong Kong as part of the SFC's initiatives to enhance market infrastructure to further develop Hong Kong as a full-service international asset management centre and a preferred fund domicile, including the potential ability for offshore funds to re-domicile to an OFC which is consistent to the Institute's call for a general re-domiciliation regime to be introduced to Hong Kong.

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

- **Recruitment of team members for HKICS Dragon Boat Team 2020**

Formed in 2006, HKICS dragon boat team comprises members, graduates, students who are passionate in dragon boat sport. Apart from building a team with great team spirit, the team provides a valuable opportunity for members' networking and friendship, as well as personal challenges and satisfaction. HKICS dragon boat team is recruiting new team members. HKICS will sponsor the training by a professional coach and race fees. Practice sessions will be held on Saturdays commencing in March 2020 at Shing Mun River. Interested members, graduates, students are welcome to join.

For enrolment, please visit Events section of the Institute's website: www.hkics.org.hk.

For enquiries, please contact Rose Yeung: 2830 6051.

- **International Qualifying Scheme Examination Results**

Students can now access their examination results from their own login account on the Institute's website: www.hkics.org.hk. The examination result will no longer be sent to the candidates by mail. The December 2019 examination results will be released in Mid-February 2020.

- **Chartered Governance Qualifying Programme (CGQP) June 2020 examinations diet**

CGQP June 2020 examinations are open for enrolment by students from 17 February 2020 to 31 March 2020.

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- **Join Our Online Community**

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UPCOMING EVENTS & NEWS

- **February 2020 – April 2020 ECPD activities are available for enrolment**

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- **Register for online CPD (e-CPD) seminars**

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- **Fun & Interest Group – Candle making workshop 2 April 2020**

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- **HKICS Examination Preparatory Programme for June 2020 examination diet
Commence on 22 February 2020**

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- **Summer Internship Programme 2020 – call for vacancies**

The Institute invites companies and organisations to offer summer internship positions to local undergraduates under its Student Ambassadors Programme with the aim to promote the Chartered Secretarial and Chartered Governance Professional Profession to younger generation in Hong Kong, the internship period is usually from June to August 2020 for a maximum period of eight weeks.

Members who are interested in offering summer internship positions this year, please visit [News section](#) of the Institute's website www.hkics.org.hk. For further details, please contact Louisa Lau: 2881 6177 or student@hkics.org.hk.
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REMINDERS

- **CPD Policy**
All members and graduates are required to fulfil 15 CPD hours of learning of which 3 ECPD hours are from the Institute's ECPD activities for 2019/20 CPD year (i.e. 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020). Please refer to CPD policy for details.
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- **Individual Package 2019/2020**
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- **Changes on Chartered Governance Qualifying Programme (CGQP) Transition arrangements**
All outstanding IQS subject(s) as of 31 December 2019 has been transferred to the corresponding module(s) under the CGQP. You may check your status under the CGQP from your HKICS login account, under the 'Subject' section.

For enquires regarding to the CGQP, please contact the Education and Examination Section: 2881 6177 or student@hkics.org.hk.

- **Studentship Renewal Fees**
Students whose studentship expired in December 2019 are reminded to settle the renewal payment by Sunday 23 February 2020.
- **Exemption Fees**
Students who received exemption confirmation notice issued in November 2019 are reminded to settle the exemption fees before the payment deadline set out in your exemption confirmation email. Applicants who failed to settle the fees by the due date, his/her exempted subject(s) will be forfeited.

After the launch of CGQP, any exemption re-application will be re-assessed by the Institute with reference to the CGQP exemption policies. The number of exemption(s) granted may be varied.

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

- **HKICS Job Openings Online Recruitment Platform – system upgrade completed**
The Institute is pleased to announce that the Job Openings online recruitment platform on the Institute's website is upgraded. The enhanced online recruitment platform which will allow the advertiser to create a 'Company Account' for saving details of the vacancy and can re-post the advertisement accordingly.

Detailed procedures are available on the Institute's website now, please click [HERE!](#)

FEATURED JOB OPENINGS

Company Name	Position
Jardine Matheson Limited	Company Secretarial Assistant

If you are looking to build a better career, 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)

- ❖ [BBU No. 210 \(2020\)](#) – CR News Update: Limited Counter Services of the Companies Registry
- ❖ [BBU No. 209 \(2020\)](#) – HKEX News Alert: Exchange Publishes Results of Latest Review of Issuers' Annual Report Disclosure
- ❖ [BBU No. 208 \(2020\)](#) – CR News Update: Closure of Office Premises and Suspension of Services at Queensway Government Offices and One Kowloon, Kowloon Bay
- ❖ [BBU No. 207 \(2020\)](#) – Official Receiver's Office News Update: Circulars for Insolvency Practitioners No.1/2019
- ❖ [BBU No. 206 \(2020\)](#) – CR News Update: Updating of specification of names of persons designated as terrorists or terrorist associates by the Committees of the United Nations Security Council
- ❖ [BBU No. 205 \(2020\)](#) – SFC Press Release: Process Review Panel Report 2018-19
- ❖ [BBU No. 204 \(2020\)](#) – CR News Update: Companies Registry releases annual statistics for 2019

■ ■ Update of Corresponding Address

Members, graduates and students are reminded to update their personal contact details for the Institute's communication purpose. You may update your details directly via [Members' Login Area](#) on the Institute's website: www.hkics.org.hk. For enquiries, please contact the Membership or Studentship Section: (852) 2881 6177, or email: member@hkics.org.hk or student@hkics.org.hk (as appropriate).

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