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INSTITUTE NEWS



- **HKICS 21st ACRU on 5 June 2020**

The Institute's largest online conference – the 21st Annual Corporate and Regulatory Update (ACRU) – will bring you an exciting line-up of top-notch speakers from the regulatory bodies including the Companies Registry; Hong Kong Business Ethics Development Centre, ICAC and Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited. Seasoned governance professionals will also share best practices at three Practitioners Sharing Sessions and interact with participants at Q&As.

See you online on Friday 5 June 2020!

For details, please visit ACRU's website: acru.hkics.org.hk.

- **Further care and concern for Institute members, graduates, students and Affiliated Persons in view of the challenges of COVID-19**

In view of the ongoing challenges brought by COVID-19, our Council has decided to continue providing certain relief measures, as well as to offer further relief to show our care and concern to our members, graduates, students and Affiliated Persons.

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

- **Important Notice: Membership/graduateship renewal for the 2020/2021 financial year**

The annual membership/graduateship subscription for the financial year 2020/2021 (2020/2021)

will be due for payment on 1 July 2020. In view of the challenges brought by COVID-19 pandemic, and as a caring professional body, the deadline to pay the annual membership/graduateship subscription is extended to 31 December 2020.

With the technological offerings and in support of preserving the environment, the Institute will cease sending the membership/graduateship renewal notice in print version from 2020/2021. The renewal notice together with the debit note for 2020/2021 will be sent to your designated email address registered with the Institute in July 2020. All members and graduates are highly encouraged to settle their subscription online via their [HKICS user account](#).

Please watch out for our email on this subject and ensure that the annual subscription is paid in time. Failure to pay by the deadline will constitute grounds for membership or graduateship removal.

For enquiries, please contact the Membership Section on: 2881 6177 or email: member@hkics.org.hk.

- **CSj goes green**

As part of its commitment to helping preserve the environment, the Institute made CSj available on its [website](#) from August 2015. To support this green initiative, the Institute will send CSj as an electronic version (eCSj) to all students from July 2020 onwards, each of whom will receive an email with eCSj attached as soon as the publication is ready.

- **Join Our Online Community**

Please follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Weibo](#), WeChat and also join our professional network on [LinkedIn](#). We need your engagement to build a strong Institute together!

UPCOMING EVENTS & NEWS

- **Governance, Risk & Compliance Series (GRC) related online seminars**

In connection with the launching of Chartered Governance Qualifying Programme and Chartered Governance Professional qualification, the Institute is organising a series of GRC related webinars. The GRC webinar series in June 2020 are for members, graduates and students to learn more about incident or crisis management and IT governance.

For details of the webinar on 19 June, please click [HERE](#); for the webinar on 30 June, please click [HERE](#).

- **June to July 2020 ECPD webinars/seminars are available for enrolment**

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- **Register for online CPD seminars**

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- **Fun & Interest Group – Use of essential oil for boosting immune system (free webinar) on 16 June 2020**

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- **Mentorship Programme Mentees' Training – Goal Setting and Power of Feedback (By invitation only) on 20 June 2020**

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- **Fun & Interest Group – Candle Making Workshop on 23 July 2020**

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- **Postgraduate Programme in Corporate Governance in the Mainland**

The Open University of Hong Kong (OUHK) has launched the Postgraduate Programme in Corporate Governance (PGPCG) in Shanghai and Shenzhen since 2016 and 2019 respectively. The PGPCG will be launched in Beijing in Autumn 2020 as well. Students who completed the

PGPCG and obtained the OUHK Master of Corporate Governance degree is eligible to apply for full exemption of the Institute's Chartered Governance Qualifying Programme (CGQP). The upcoming cohort of PGPCG is expected to commence in Autumn 2020 in Beijing, Shanghai and Shenzhen. Members, graduates and students are encouraged to inform their friends and contacts who are interested to enrol the PGPCG in the Mainland about this programme.

Two virtual PGPCG information sessions will be held on 11 June and 9 July 2020. For enrolment, please contact Ms Wang Yuan (王媛) of Shenzhen Campus, Harbin Institute of Technology 哈尔滨工业大学深圳研究院.

For more details, interested parties may contact:

<p>For PGPCG in Shanghai: Eastern China University of Science and Technology 上海华东理工大学</p> <p><i>Please click HERE for details.</i></p>	<p>Contact person: Mr Kong Wei (孔巍) Tel: (86) 021-6425 1139</p>
<p>For PGPCG in Shenzhen and Beijing: Shenzhen Campus, Harbin Institute of Technology 哈尔滨工业大学深圳研究院</p> <p><i>Please click HERE for details.</i></p>	<p>Contact person: Ms Wang Yuan (王媛) Tel: (86) 0755-26727130/7110</p>

- Virtual Student Seminars on 'An Alternative Introduction to Company Law'**
To provide students with a better understanding of company law, the Institute is organising two seminars on Hong Kong Company Law as follows:
Session 1: Key Players in Company Law and Corporate Governance on 29 June 2020
Session 2: Interesting Questions about the Corporate Personality on 6 July 2020
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- Corporate Governance Paper Competition and Presentation Awards 2020**
To promote the awareness of good governance among local undergraduates, the Institute has been organising the Corporate Governance Paper Competition and Presentation Awards since 2006. This year, the topic is 'ESG Reporting: A Value Proposition? Yes or No?'. Six finalist teams will be selected from the contestants to present their papers and compete for the Best Presentation Award on Saturday 19 September 2020.
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REMINDERS

- **CPD Declaration (Submission deadline: 31 July 2020)**
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 2019/2020 CPD year (i.e. 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020). Online declaration is now available at the Institute's website login area.
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- **CPD Policy**
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- **Individual Package 2019/2020**
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- **Corporate Package 2019/2020**
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- **Practitioner's Endorsement application 2019/2020**
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- **Fee structure 2020/2021**

[Membership, graduateship and Affiliated Person fee schedule](#)
[Studentship fee schedule](#)

- **Fellowship and associateship application deadlines in 2020**
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- **Fellowship benefits factsheet**
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- **Learning Support for CGQP Examinations Preparation**

Videos of four student gatherings with the following themes are available at the Studentship section of the Institute's website:

1. Introduction to use the PrimeLaw online study materials platform
2. Updates on CGQP examinations (Management/Accounting/Finance modules)
3. Updates on CGQP examinations (Law modules)
4. Examination experience sharing

CGQP pilot papers and online study materials are available at the Institute's website login area and PrimeLaw online platform respectively.

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

- **Studentship renewal fee**

Students whose studentship expired in April 2020 are reminded to settle the renewal payment by Tuesday 23 June 2020.

FEATURED JOB OPENINGS

Company Name	Position
Macquarie Services (Hong Kong) Limited	Executive / Manager, Global Entity Management – Hong Kong
Hang Seng Bank Limited	Board Secretarial Manager
The Hong Kong Polytechnic University	Associate Director of Finance (Enterprise and Company Secretary)

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)

- ❖ [China BBU No. 2 \(2020\)](#)
- ❖ [BBU No. 311 \(2020\)](#) – CR News Update: Companies Registry Electronic Search Services Suspension
- ❖ [BBU No. 310 \(2020\)](#) – CR News Update: United Nations Security Council Sanctions Against ISIL and Al-Qaida
- ❖ [BBU No. 309 \(2020\)](#) – IRD Press Release: LCQ18: Two-tiered profits tax rates regime
- ❖ [BBU No. 308 \(2020\)](#) – IRD Press Release: Order on Comprehensive Avoidance of Double

Taxation Arrangement with Macao to be gazetted

- ❖ [BBU No. 307 \(2020\)](#) – SFC News Update: SFC welcomes re-appointment of Chief Executive Officer
- ❖ [BBU No. 306 \(2020\)](#) – CR News Update: United Nations Security Council Sanctions in relation to Central African Republic, Libya and Yemen

■ HKIB Banking Conference 2020

The Hong Kong Institute of Bankers (HKIB) is organising The HKIB Banking Conference 2020 on 28 September 2020. The main theme of the conference is 'Innovation and Transformation: A Brave New World of Banking', highlight on digital transformation, innovation of virtual banks into Hong Kong's banking system. HKIB is now inviting senior management representatives, business entities and finance leaders to join the conference.

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

■ Update of Corresponding Address

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

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