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INSTITUTE NEWS

- **HKICS ACRU 2020 – Save the date!**

The 21st Annual Corporate and Regulatory Update (ACRU 2020) organised by HKICS will be held at Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre on Friday 5 June 2020. ACRU will bring you a full programme of talks by top-notch speakers from the regulatory bodies including the Companies Registry; Hong Kong Business Ethics Development Centre, ICAC; Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited; and the Securities and Futures Commission. In order to share best practices, there will also be two Practitioners Sharing Sessions with seasoned governance experts. Details will be announced soon on the Institute's website: www.hkics.org.hk.

- **Further notice to limited services at the Secretariat offices**

To reduce the risk of spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) 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 2 March 2020 onwards until further notice. The adjusted service hours of our counter of the Secretariat offices will continue as follows:

Hong Kong Office: 9.00am to 5.00pm (Monday to Friday) and 9.00am to 12.00 noon (Saturday);
and
Beijing Office : 10.00am to 4.00pm (Monday to Friday)

The Institute has turned most of the seminars in March and April 2020 into webinars such that no physical attendance of participants is required. Please check the details on the CPD section on the Institute's website: <http://www.hkics.org.hk>

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 regularly for the latest information.

- **HKICS X HKCSS - Together we fight the virus**

In the combat of COVID-19, unity is strength. As a caring professional institute, HKICS Council has decided to donate HK\$50,000 to The Hong Kong Council of Social Services 香港社會服務聯會 (HKCSS) for purchase of the much needed hygiene and protection supplies for the needy.

Through its member organisations, HKCSS will distribute the supplies donated by the business

community and individuals alike to an estimated 200,000 families and individuals including elderly, the disabled and vulnerable children. For more details, please click [HERE](#).

- **Governance Professionals Information Session on 17 March 2020 - Webinar**
The Institute organises Governance Professionals Information Session to introduce the dual qualifications for talents interested to join us. Please invite your friends who are interested to learn more about the Chartered Secretary and Chartered Governance Professional qualification and career path to join this webinar.
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- **Join Our Online Community**
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UPCOMING EVENTS & NEWS

- **March 2020 – April 2020 ECPD webinars/seminars are available for enrolment**
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- **Register for online CPD (e-CPD) seminars**
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- **HKICS Examination Preparatory Programme for June 2020 examination diet Commence on 2 March 2020 (Revised)**
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- **New benefits and services for members, graduates and students**
Azeus Convene is offering free usage of their paperless meeting software for six (6) months for businesses in Hong Kong to facilitate remote meeting or work outside office during this period of outbreak of COVID-19. Their offer is valid until 31 March 2020. For details, please contact: 2152 3666 or email: hk_sales@azeusconvene.com.
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- **HKICS Examination Technique Seminars**
The CGQP examination technique seminars will be conducted via webinar in April 2020. The enrolment period is from 2 March to 1 April 2020.
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- **CGQP June 2020 examination diet**
Examination enrolment period is from 18 February 2020 to 31 March 2020
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- **Student Gathering: CGQP Learning Support on 3, 9 and 10 March 2020**
The Institute is organising three sessions of student gathering via webinar to help students understand how to use the online study materials, the scope, contents and expectations of each modules of CGQP. For further details, please refer to the Events section of the Institute's website.

The Institute is organising three student gatherings via webinar to assist students study the Chartered Governance Qualifying Programme (CGQP). These expert led sessions will assist students in two ways, firstly on how to make full use of the online study materials on HKICS PrimeLaw ; secondly on the scope, content and expectations of each examination module and pilot papers which are available at the Institute's website login area.

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- **(Re-schedule) Governance Professionals Career Day 2020 on 27 June 2020**
The Governance Professionals Career Day 2020 will be held on 27 June 2020 for local undergraduates to learn more about the Chartered Secretary and Chartered Governance

Professional qualification as well as the career prospects as governance professionals..

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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 Secretary and Chartered Governance Professional qualification to the 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 the [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 Declaration**

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). Online declaration is now available at the Institute's website login area.

[ONLINE DECLARATION](#)

- **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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- **Fellowship and associateship application deadlines in 2020**

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- **Benefits and services for members, graduates and students**

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- **Fellowship benefits factsheet**

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- **Chartered Governance Qualifying Programme (CGQP) pilot papers and online study materials**

CGQP pilot papers and online study materials are available now. For pilot papers, please click [HERE](#). For online study materials. Please click [HERE](#). For further questions regarding the pilot papers, please contact the Education and Examinations Section: 2881 6177 or student@hkics.org.hk. For technical questions regarding the PrimeLaw account, please contact WKHK's customer service: HK-Prime@wolterskluwer.com.

- **Studentship Renewal Fees**

Students whose studentship expired in January 2020 are reminded to settle the renewal payment by Monday 23 March 2020.

- **Exemption Fees**

Students who received exemption confirmation notice issued on 14 December 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 vary.

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

FEATURED JOB OPENINGS

Company Name	Position
Shenzhen International Holdings Limited	Manager - Company Secretarial Department/Senior Company Secretarial Officer
CUHK Medical Centre Limited	Manager, Company Secretariat
Macquarie Services (Hong Kong) Limited	Executive / Manager, Global Entity Management – Hong Kong
Hauzen Services 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. 233 \(2020\)](#) – CR News Update: Companies Registry resumes normal services starting from 2 March
- ❖ [BBU No. 232 \(2020\)](#) – CR News Update: United Nations Security Council Sanctions Against Democratic Republic of the Congo and Libya
- ❖ [BBU No. 231 \(2020\)](#) – SFC Press Release: SFC welcomes Budget measures
- ❖ [BBU No. 230 \(2020\)](#) – Inland Revenue Department News Update: 2020-21 Budget – Concessionary Measures
- ❖ [BBU No. 229 \(2020\)](#) – 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. 228 \(2020\)](#) – CR News Update: United Nations Security Council Sanctions Against ISIL and Al-Qaida
- ❖ [BBU No. 227 \(2020\)](#) – HKEX News Alert: United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Ordinance; United Nations Sanctions (ISIL and Al-Qaida) Regulation
- ❖ [BBU No. 226 \(2020\)](#) – HKEX News Alert: HKEX Welcomes Government Appointments to its Board
- ❖ [BBU No. 225 \(2020\)](#) – HKEX News Alert: United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Ordinance United Nations Sanctions (ISIL and Al-Qaida) Regulation
- ❖ [BBU No.224 \(2020\)](#) – SFC Press Release: SFC issues quarterly

- ❖ [BBU No.223 \(2020\)](#) – 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.222 \(2020\)](#) – CR News Update: United Nations Security Council Sanctions Against ISIL and Al-Qaida
- ❖ [BBU No.221 \(2020\)](#) – SFC Press Release: Court dismisses challenge to SFC's investigative powers - TCP/CE/CSj

■ IFA Hong Kong 2020 Asia Pacific Regional Conference

The IFA Hong Kong 2020 Asia Pacific Regional Conference is organised by International Fiscal Association (IFA), Hong Kong Branch and to be held on 26 – 28 May at Ocean Park Marriott Hotel. The central theme of the conference is 'The Future of Tax in the Asia Pacific Region'. IFA Hong Kong is now inviting tax professional and experts, accounting professional and business executives to join the conference. For details, please visit: <https://ifahongkong2020.org/>.

■ 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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