



## THE ABERDEEN UNIVERSITY HONG KONG ASSOCIATION

### Chairman's Report 2013/14

The Aberdeen University Hong Kong Association (AUHKA) held her EGM on 15 October 2013, and the constitution was amended accordingly to give more flexibility to the date of the AGM. A home-welcoming dinner was then held on the same night to celebrate the return of our granite pearls Ms Sarah Keung and Mr Michael Fung from their studies in Aberdeen and Cambridge respectively. In order to strengthen the bonding between the AUHKA members, a visit to Kadoorie Farm and Botanic Garden was arranged on 16 November 2013 and every participant enjoyed the trip a lot. On 14 January 2014, Dr. Laurence Hou hosted a dinner for Professor Neva Haites and Mr. Steve Cannons (former AU University Secretary and Director of Operations). Committee members of AUHKA were also invited, and it was a delightful dinner to share the joy we had in AU.

In 2013 and 2014, the AUHKA continues to promote the scholarship scheme for potential leader to pursue one-year further study in environmental-related fields in the University of Aberdeen (AU). Unfortunately, no candidate was successfully selected for the AUHKA's scholarship for this year. To secure a long-term partnership for the scholarship, a 3-year MOU was signed in August 2014 amongst three parties namely the British General-Consulate, the Swire Educational Trust and us for the on-going partnership of the scholarship. The scholarship application was kicked off in August and will be ended on 15 November 2014. AUHKA would like to express our deepest gratitude for their generous support in the scholarship and hopefully some suitable candidates will be selected in the coming years.

After serving in the AUHKA for 5 years as the Chairman, I would like to announce that I will step down from the position at this juncture so that my successor would be able to bring new ideas for the development of AUHKA. It has been a great honour for me to lead the AUHKA and these years have been very memorable to me. I will miss many of you with whom I have closely worked in organizing social activities for members. I will continue to be an active member in the AUHKA, and I am sure that the AUHKA will continue to strengthen the bond between AU and the AUHKA members/ AU graduates, organise more social activities for members, manage and promote the scholarship, and recruit more alumni to enlarge the AUHKA family.

Last, but not the least, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our President Dr. Marshall Byres, Dr Laurence Hou, Mrs Jean Hamilton and all other advisors, committee members and all members of the Association for their continuous support to the development of the Association.

Thank you very much.

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(Chairman of AUHKA)  
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