



## THE ABERDEEN UNIVERSITY HONG KONG ASSOCIATION

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#### **Chairman's Report 2009/10**

In 2009/10, Aberdeen University Hong Kong Association (AUHKA), in collaboration with Swire Educational Trust and British Council, continues the tradition of providing scholarship to potential leaders in environmental-related fields. This kind of partnership has been established since 1991. In the summer of 2009, Miss Carol Law was granted a full scholarship by AUHKA to pursue her master degree of Urban Planning and Real Estate in the University of Aberdeen (AU) with the “Aberdeen Scott Environmental Scholarship” under the full financial support of Swire Educational Trust. To celebrate the conferment of scholarship, the Association held a farewell dinner for the new scholar on 16<sup>th</sup> Sept 2009 at VIP Room, Hong Kong Football Club. More than 24 guests and alumni took part in this event. The first 2009/10 Committee Meeting was also held at the same place right before the commencement of the farewell dinner. I was elected to take the chairmanship of the Association following Ms Wendy Ko (The first scholar of AUHKA).

In addition to the scholarship conferment, we have one memorable event happened this year. We were pleased to hold a farewell dinner for Prof. Tony Hedley on 20 April 2010 at Hong Kong Football Club. Prof Hedley has served the Association as chairman for many years and contributed a lot for the scholarship. He retired from the Faculty of Medicine in HKU this year; and he now enjoys his retirement life in his UK home.

A number of activities were also held in 2009/10. We organized a visit to Wetland Park on 10 Dec 2009. The visit was guided by our member Mr. Eric Wong. We also enjoyed the gathering with Prof. Graeme Paton, the course coordinator of AU Environmental Science MSc programme, on 8 Feb, 2010 at Jasmine Place. Dr. Laurence Hou kindly offered a treat to Prof. Graeme Paton and scholars.

Setting up an official website has long been a goal to be achieved by AUHKA. With the strong endeavors by website working group, which is chaired by Mr. Michael Fung (Hon. Secretary of AUHKA), committee members and support from alumni, the beta version of website has come into existence. After revision and testing, the website would be released on in the end of August 2010.

AUHKA has secured full financial support from the Swire Educational Trust again to offer a one-year master scholarship program for a HK student in 2010. In the coming year, AUHKA would strengthen the tie with Swire Educational Trust and British Council to continue the tradition of her scholarship program. For AUHKA alumni's interest, more activities will be organized in the coming year especially after the release of AUHKA website through which more news and information can be released regularly. Last, not the least, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our President Dr. Marshall Byres, Advisors, committee members and all members of the Association to give continuous support to the Association, facilitating the Association to progressively develop and grow.

Thank you very much.

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(Chairman of AUHKA)  
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