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Subject: Search for HKUST President – Invitation for Inputs



Dear Colleagues and Students,

You will have learned from the Council Chairman's message of 15 September 2017 that a Search Committee for President, chaired by myself, has been formed to conduct a global search for the University's next President to succeed Professor Tony Chan who has resigned from the Presidency with effect from 1 September 2018.

The Search Committee, through a formal selection process, has appointed Heidrick & Struggles (H&S), a global executive search firm, to assist with this important search. A worldwide search will soon be launched and [announcement](#) for the President position will be arranged.

Invitation for Participation in Online Survey

As the search process begins, we would first like to hear from you, as important stakeholders, on the desirable key attributes you would like to look for in the new President to take the University to its next level of accomplishments.

For the said purpose, you are now invited to participate in an online survey. Your views and thoughts on the desirable attributes for the next President will help guide us through the Presidential search.

Please click [HERE](#) to complete the online survey to be returned to the appointed search consultant, Heidrick & Struggles, **by 30 September 2017**.

Invitation for Group Meetings

In parallel, you are also invited to participate in group meetings with Heidrick & Struggles for the search consultant to listen to you in person and to gather your valuable inputs on the desirable attributes of the next President. Details of the meetings schedule for the respective groups are as follows:

Date : 25 September 2017 (Monday)

Venue : IAS Lecture Theatre

Time : 2:00 – 3:00 pm Meeting with Students

3:15 – 4:15 pm Meeting with Faculty / Teaching / Research Staff

4:30 – 5:30 pm Meeting with Staff

Please be assured that all information collected by H&S will be held in strict confidence and will only be shared in an aggregate form with the Search Committee.

On behalf of the Search Committee, please accept my sincere thanks in advance for your assistance in this important task. Your views and active participation will form an important reference for the Search Committee.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

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Chairman, Search Committee for President and
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