

Honorary Fellowship Presentation Ceremony 2017

Address by the President

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Council Chairman and Members, distinguished guests, colleagues and students, ladies and gentlemen,

I am most delighted to address you on this joyous occasion as The Education University of Hong Kong (EdUHK) pays tribute to four distinguished individuals: Mr Chan Hung (陳蕙先生), Dr Anissa Chan Wong Lai-kuen (陳黃麗娟博士), Mr Fung Sun-kwan (馮燊均先生) and Dr Lam Tai-fai (林大輝博士). Very shortly, our orators will deliver citations on them.

This is the first time that EdUHK hosts the Honorary Fellowship Presentation Ceremony after its inception in May last year. Coming from different backgrounds, the Honorary Fellows have devoted themselves to Education and have made tremendous contributions to the field through their inspirational endeavours in different capacities. They are truly role models given their dedication and commitment to nurturing young people for the betterment of society.

Today's ceremony is a good reminder of the importance of Education. In the 21st century, rapid changes in the global environment, societal demand and community needs are leading to shifting landscapes in the sector with far-reaching implications

for how Education should be delivered. As the unique Education-focused university in Hong Kong, EdUHK is ready to take a leadership role in curriculum innovation and reform to ensure the long-term development of teacher education that meets the needs of the times. Our commitment and strengths continue to receive global recognition. In the latest QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017, EdUHK was ranked 2nd in Asia and 13th in the world in Education.

Education matters, and achieving quality education is a common aspiration of the wider public. Yet, making this happen requires the collective efforts of our society. Let's work together to make it a success for the benefit of the community as a whole. I invite all of you to join me in extending congratulations to the four Honorary Fellows. Thank you.