

## ***COMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATION OF HONG KONG INTRODUCTION***

### **BACKGROUND & OBJECTIVES**

The Communications Association of Hong Kong (formerly known as Internet & Telecom Association of Hong Kong) is a non-profit making organisation incorporated on 27 May 1983 following the announcement of deregulation of the telecommunications products and services. CAHK is the association for Hong Kong's communications industries, with responsibilities across broadcasting, wireline and wireless communications, and other relevant business sectors in the domain of information communications technology (ICT).

The main objectives of the Association are:

- to organize formal and informal functions to provide networking and sharing opportunities for members of the Association to meet each other and explore business opportunities;
- to promote the consideration and discussion of all questions affecting all areas of the communications industry and generally to safeguard and protect the interests, intellectual property rights of its members engaged in such industry or in such promotions;
- to encourage the industry to develop and comply with industry code of practice, technical and operational standards to maintain high standard of business and professional ethics and to discourage and suppress mal-practices that may be harmful to the communications industry as well as to the business, community and public at large;
- to provide legitimate and competent representations to various HKSAR Government Departments or other industry organizations for the communications industry;
- to educate, improve and elevate the technical and general knowledge of persons engaged in, or about to engage in the trade or the promotion of the communications industry or in any employment in connection with the industries;
- to produce useful information, research and statistic in connection with the communications industry, and to promote the industry image and members of the Association to local and overseas industry.

## **ORGANISATION STRUCTURE**

The Association is run by a full time manager and managed by Members of the Executive Committee (EXCO) who are nominated and elected by ordinary members biennially. EXCO members hold important positions in the major business sectors but still devote their time to the Association. EXCO meets regularly to discuss issues that affect the industry, formulate plans and policies to determine its actions or activities to achieve the Association's objectives.

The Executive Committee Members for the term 2018-2020 are:

### ***Chairman***

Mr. Kenneth Lau, TraxComm Ltd.

### ***Vice Chairman***

Mr. Peter Lam, HKT Ltd.

Mr. Sutton Cheung, CITIC Telecom International Ltd.

### ***Presidents of Functional Groups***

- *CPE Vendor & Equipment Supplier Group*
  - Mr. Alex Wong, Huawei International Co. Ltd.
  - Mr. Ricky Chong, Ricoh Hong Kong Ltd.
- *Fixed Network & Value Added Service Group*
  - Mr. Byron Chiang, HGC Global Communications Ltd.
  - Mr. Joseph Lai, Towngas Telecommunications Company Ltd.
- *Green ICT Group*
  - Mr. Ray Lam, Dell EMC
  - Mr. Vincent Kwok, Hewlett-Packard Enterprise
- *Internet Services & Content Provider Group*
  - Mr. Larry Tam, Equinix Hong Kong Ltd.
- *International Telecom Affairs Group*
  - Mr. Patrick Ng, NTT Com Asia Ltd.
  - Mr. Jonathan Cheng, Vodafone Group Enterprise
- *Mobile Network & Service Provider Group*
  - Dr. Max Ma, China Mobile Hong Kong Ltd.
  - Mr. Bruce Lam, CSL Mobile Ltd.
  - Mr. Daniel Chung, Hutchison Telecommunications (HK) Ltd.
  - Mr. Stephen Chau, SmarTone Mobile Communications Ltd.
- *MVNO Group*
  - Mr. Alex Cheung, Telecom Digital Holdings Ltd.

- *Regulatory Issues Group*
  - Ms. Agnes Tan, WTT HK Ltd.

#### ***HONORARY CHAIRMAN***

Mr. Stephen Ho - Former CAHK Chairman (2013-2018), CEO of CITIC Telecom International CPC Ltd.

#### ***HONORARY ADVISORS***

Mr. Tony Hau - Former CAHK Chairman (2000-2006), Chairman & CEO of Multibyte Info Technology Ltd.

Dr. Hubert Chan - Former CAHK Chairman (2006-2012), Chairman & CEO of HKC International Holdings Ltd.

Mr. Franky Lai - Former CAHK Vice-Chairman (2006-2018), Chairman & CEO of WiseSpot Comapny Ltd.

#### ***HONORARY SECRETARY***

Mr. Gilbert Chan - Principal Solicitor of Gilbert Chan & Co., Lawyers

#### ***HONORARY LEGAL ADVISOR***

Ms. Gabriela Kennedy - Partner of Mayer Brown

### **REPRESENTATION**

Since 1985 the Association has been a member of the Hong Kong Telecommunications Board which plays a role in advising the Communications Authority in the formulation of policy for the development of telecommunications on service most beneficial to the public of Hong Kong.

The Executive Committee Members are representing the Association to join different committees and advisory boards:

#### **Representatives in the 3 Advisory Committees of OFCA**

- ◆ **Radio Spectrum and Technical Standards Advisory Committee (SSAC)**  
*Ordinary Member:* Mr. Sutton Cheung, CITIC Telecom International Holdings Ltd.
- ◆ **Telecommunications Regulatory Affairs Advisory Committee (TRAAC)**  
*Ordinary Member:* Mr. Gilbert Chan, Telewide Enterprises Ltd.  
*Alternate Member:* Mr. Alex Wong, Huawei International Co. Ltd.
- ◆ **Telecommunications Users and Consumers Advisory Committee (TUCAC)**  
*Ordinary Member:* Mr. Ricky Chong, Ricoh Hong Kong Ltd.

#### **Other advisory boards and committees**

- ◆ Hong Kong Cloud Standards Alliance
- ◆ Hong Kong Computer Society - Communications Group of Special Interest Group
- ◆ Hong Kong Internet Registration Corporation - Consultation of Advisory Panel
- ◆ Poly U Advisory Member of DAC - Departmental Advisory Committee Member

## **SERVICES TO MEMBERS**

### **Business Luncheons**

Organise regular business luncheons and invite high-profile guest speakers to address hot topics.

### **Membership Directory**

Publish CAHK's own membership directory namely "Official Guide to ICT Industry in Hong Kong". The directory covers prominent business trends, latest market development, useful statistics and information as well as members' profile.

### **Newsletters**

CAHK's "New Services & Products Bulletin" provides an excellent channel for members to exchange new products and services information of their company.

### **Information Services**

Distribute consultative papers, latest telecom statistics, reports, market information and latest information of important issues from government and main institutions.

### **Seminars & Exhibition**

Endorse or organise quality seminars or exhibitions for the benefits of members and increase the awareness of the Association in the industry or in the public.

### **Delegation**

Organize delegation for members to explore market for development and identify business opportunities outside Hong Kong region.

### **Presentation**

Co-organise with institutions, government bodies on business forum, new product or service presentation.

### **Social Networking**

Social networking with industry colleagues is the best way to meet with new business contacts and to exchange information on markets and trends. These networking functions are opened to members only and guests by invitation.

### **ATIE Forum**

Organise delegation to participate in the Asian Telecom & Information Exchange (ATIE) Forum respectively held by rotation in different Asian countries each year. By attending the Forum, members can exchange information and opinions, explore the course of mutual co-operation among participating associations to promote the further development of the telecom industry.

### **CAHK Homepage**

The Association's Homepage <http://www.cahk.hk> serves as an effective way of communications for members or visitors to get a quick view on the profile of CAHK company members as well as an information channel for current activities and services.

### **Contact Point**

Act as a focal point for overseas and local enquirers who seek to establish trade link in Hong Kong or undergo research.

### **CCSS**

The "Customer Complaint Settlement Scheme" (CCSS) is a mediation scheme set up by the telecommunications industry to help resolve billing disputes in deadlock between telecommunications service providers and their customers.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

- CATEGORIES** - Premium Member (Annual Subscription Fee: HK\$10,000\*)  
Full Member (Entry Fee: HK\$8,000<sup>#</sup> & Annual Subscription Fee: HK\$6,950\*)  
Associate Company Member (Annual Subscription Fee: HK\$6,950)  
Associate Individual Member (Annual Subscription Fee: Academics-HK\$500,  
Others-HK\$1,300)  
Honorary Member / Honorary Advisor (by invitation only)

*# Entry fee is a one-off payment. This fee will be waived for the application submitted before March 31.*

*\* Annual subscription fee will be calculated at a pro-rated basis for the remaining financial year (not applicable for the Association Individual and Student Member). Financial Year commences on April 1 till March 31 the following year.*

#### **▪ Full Member**

Any corporations fulfilling the following entrance requirements:

- limited company registered in Hong Kong
- engaged in the provision or manufacturing of communications products and / or related services;
- application should be nominated by two existing full members

#### **▪ Associate Company / Individual Member**

Associate members can be persons, firms, companies, organisations, societies or associations:

- engaged or having an interest in any aspect of the communications industry or in the promotion or development of such industry
- application should be nominated by two existing full members
- Individual membership belongs to the applicant only and cannot be transferred

▪ **Honorary Member / Honorary Advisor**

Individual who either has:

- reputation or influential power in the communications field or the community; or
- well-recognised communications knowledge; or
- contributions towards the Association; and
- the appointment of Honorary Member should be upon the recommendation and approval of the Executive Committee

**2. OBLIGATIONS AND RIGHTS**

▪ **Full Member**

- obliged to pay the entrance fee and the annual subscription fee
- have voting right and can be elected as member of the Executive Committee
- undertake to pursue the objectives of the Association

▪ **Associate Company / Individual Member**

- obliged to pay the annual subscription fee
- have no voting right and cannot be elected as member of the Executive Committee
- undertake to pursue the objectives of the Association

▪ **Student Member**

- obliged to pay the annual subscription fee
- to fulfil 20 hours per annum under the volunteer training programme by CAHK
- have no voting right and cannot be elected as member of the Executive Committee
- undertake to pursue the objectives of the Association

▪ **Honorary Member / Honorary Advisor**

- not obliged to pay the entrance fee and the annual subscription fee
- have no voting right and cannot be elected as member of the Executive Committee

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

For immediate processing, please enclose the following documents upon application:

1. Completed Application Form (Form I)
2. Completed Code of Conduct (Form II)
3. A copy of valid Business Registration Certificate (for 'Full Member' only)
4. Company Profile for Full Member or Personal CV for Individual Member
5. Application should be nominated by two existing Full Members. Please mark two nominating companies in Part E of the Application Form and this association will proceed with the nominating company directly for endorsement.
6. A cheque for Annual Subscription Fee and Entry Fee (for 'Full Member' only) payable to 'COMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATION OF HONG KONG'.
7. Student Member accepts online application only. ([http://www.cahk.hk/Membership\\_StudentMem.asp](http://www.cahk.hk/Membership_StudentMem.asp))



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