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HSUHK signs MOU with Private Office of Sheikh Ali Bin Rashed Al Maktoum of UAE to promote sustainable development in ASEAN and Asia-Pacific Region

The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong (HSUHK) and the Private Office of Sheikh Ali Bin Rashed Al Maktoum of Dubai (HHPO), the United Arab Emirates (UAE) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 26 March 2024 to promote sustainable development. The Opening Ceremony of HSUHK's Asia-Pacific ASEAN Green Deal Centre (APAGDC) was held on the same occasion.

The MoU was signed by Dr John Leung, Associate Vice-President (Knowledge Exchange) of HSUHK, and Dr William Tien, International Strategic Relations Director of the Private Office of Sheikh Ali Bin Rashed Al Maktoum of Dubai. The partnership will cover student exchange programmes, scholarships, sponsorships, and other areas of collaboration. HHPO will assist HSUHK in identifying sustainability-related donations and sponsorships to pursue better quality in APAGDC's research on sustainability and development. The collaboration will also explore joint initiatives and projects related to education on sustainability, including research, training, and consultation projects.

In his address, Professor Simon S M Ho, President of HSUHK said "APAGDC is more than just a centre for learning and development; it stands as a beacon of hope, innovation, and collaboration. The partnership between APAGDC and the UAE, represented by His Highness, marks a significant milestone in our collective journey toward a greener future. By combining our efforts, expertise, and resources, we can accelerate the adoption of sustainable practices, promote green investments, and nurture the growth of family offices committed to sustainable development."

As a University-level study and development centre, APAGDC will engage in exchanges and cooperation with ASEAN and Asia-Pacific countries to foster government-business-community partnerships that will drive impactful change for sustainable development, leveraging advocacy, education, and engagement.

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Photo 1: Dr John Leung, Associate Vice-President (Knowledge Exchange) of HSUHK (second from left), and Dr William Tien, International Strategic Relations Director of Private Office Sheikh Ali Bin Rashed Al Maktoum of Dubai (second from right) sign an MoU to promote sustainable development, witnessed by Professor Simon S M Ho, President of HSUHK (first from right) and Prince Sheikh Ali Al Maktoum (first from left).



Photo 2: HSUHK appoints Prince Sheikh Ali Al Maktoum as Honorary Professor, Professor Simon S M Ho presents a certificate to His Highness.



Photo 3: The Opening Ceremony of the Asia-Pacific ASEAN Green Deal Centre (APAGDC).

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The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong (HSUHK) is a non-profit private liberal-arts oriented university with five Schools (Business, Communication, Decision Sciences, Humanities and Social Science, and Translation and Foreign Languages) and over 6,000 full-time undergraduate and postgraduate students. Adopting a unique "Liberal + Professional" education model, HSUHK nurtures students with critical thinking, innovative minds, caring attitudes, moral values and social responsibility.

Aspiring to be a leading private university in the region, HSUHK features quality undergraduate education programmes, quality faculty members, award-winning green campus facilities, innovative degree programmes, a unique residential college system which combines living and learning, interactive small class teaching, close student-teacher relationships, RGC-funded impactful research, and excellent student development/support services. HSUHK was listed 7th (overall) in the ASEAN+ region, 1st in the Greater China region, and 1st in Employability in the 2023 AppliedHE ASEAN+ private university assessment by Singapore-based AppliedHE. It was also listed among the top 200 worldwide universities for "Quality Education" and "Decent Work and Economic Growth" in the Times Higher Education University Impact Rankings 2021.