

## **Welcome Remarks at the China Business Forum 2026**

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Our distinguished keynote speaker Mr Joseph Chan, Dean Park, Deans and representatives from our partner institutions, valued industry partners, faculties, colleagues, and friends,

It is my great pleasure to welcome you all to the China Business Forum 2026. I am deeply grateful for your presence today, as together we embark on a journey of dialogue, discovery, and collaboration.

The world is entering a new chapter of transformation. China's role in global business is not only expanding in scale, but also in depth—driving innovation, shaping financial systems, and influencing sustainable development across continents.

This Forum is more than a conference. It is a platform for visionaries—where academia and industry converge, where research meets practice, and where ideas are translated into impact. Our purpose is clear: to explore how wisdom, innovation, and collaboration can create societal value in an era of uncertainty and opportunity.

HSUHK is honoured to host this inaugural China Business Forum, bringing together distinguished speakers and panellists with diverse perspectives—from government policy and financial services to cutting-edge technology and global management strategies. Their insights will help us understand not only the challenges ahead, but also the possibilities that lie within them.

Aligning with the “Liberal + Professional” education philosophy at HSUHK, we believe that education and research must serve society. By connecting with partners across China and the world, we aim to nurture leaders who are agile, ethical, and visionary, leaders who can bridge cultures, industries, and generations.

As we gather here in Hong Kong, a city that has long been a gateway between China and the world, let us reaffirm our commitment to building bridges—bridges of knowledge, of trust, and of shared prosperity.

I invite all of you to engage fully in today's discussions, to challenge assumptions, and to spark new collaborations. We can shape a future where business is not only

profitable, but also purposeful together, where innovation uplifts communities, and where global progress is guided by wisdom and responsibility.

Once again, thank you for joining us at the China Business Forum. May today's conversations inspire us, and may tomorrow's actions transform our vision into reality. I wish everyone an inspiring and enjoyable 2-day Forum.