



To : Association & Chapter/Section Heads
Cc : Office Holders, HKTDC Regional & Branch Directors,
Federation Co-ordinators
From : Federation Chairman
Date : 8 March 2019
Subject : Chairman's Message

Dear Association / Chapter Heads,

Greetings! I would like to take this opportunity to inform you that new Office Holders for 2018 - 2021 were elected at the past Hong Kong Forum.

On behalf of the Federation, I would like to thank the past Office Holders for their great contribution to the Federation over the last few years. Let me also take this chance to thank for your unfailing support, without which the Federation could not have achieved what it has had over these years. This valuable global network is beautifully knitted because of the presence and participation of every one of you.

In our new term of service, my fellow Office Holders and I will work together, to continue connecting all members via the Federation network. Below please find the list of Office Holders for 2018 – 2021:

- 1. Dennis Chiu, Chairman**
- 2. Hans Poulis, Vice Chairman**
- 3. Alexandria Sham, Honorary Treasurer**
- 4. Michael Chiu, Honorary Secretary**
- 5. Esther Naegeli, Immediate Past Chairman**

Details can be found at <https://www.hkfederation.org.hk/about/executive>. You are welcome to contact us anytime should we be of assistance to you.

Promotion of the Federation and its website

Our Federation's network has grown to 43 Hong Kong Business Associations (BAs) in 32 countries and regions with over 13,000 individual associates. As one of the measures to strengthen the connection between the Federation and individual BAs, I highly encourage all BAs to add the Federation's logo and website hyperlink (<https://www.hkfederation.org.hk/>) on their websites. Attached please find the graphic file of the Federation logo for your use.

Promotion of Upcoming Events

In order to enhance inter-regional connection, the dates and hosting cities of the various Regional Forums have been uploaded to the Federation's website at - <https://www.hkfederation.org.hk/about/member/event>. Apart from the usual participants of the respective Regional Forums, members from other regions would be welcomed to join the Forums **(on a self-financed basis)** to exchange and contribute ideas.

We also encourage BAs to share their respective events on this page with other associations as well.

Young Members' Participation

Encouraging more young members to join the Federation and participating at Hong Kong Forum are among our core missions. I am pleased to announce two new initiatives –

1. A new networking session at Hong Kong Forum dedicated for young members
2. An inaugural internship programme (around June – August 2019)

Details of both programmes will be circulated in separate emails later on. Please feel free to share with us if you have any comments/ suggestions on the programmes. And your assistance to help communicating with all your young members is highly appreciated in due course.

For any enquiries, please feel free to contact any of the Office Holders or the Secretariat at hkfederation@hktdc.org. Thank you once again. I look forward to meeting all of you in our Federation events soon.

Best regards,

Dennis Chiu

Chairman

Federation of Hong Kong Business Associations Worldwide Ltd