

「IT檔案II」

香港電腦學會與香港電台兩年前率先聯合製作本地首個以資訊科技為題材的電視節目「IT檔案」，為大眾深入淺出地介紹資訊科技對生活帶來的影響。踏入廿一世紀，港台再次製作第二輯「IT檔案」，探索世界各國資訊科技的發展，對比香港情況，進一步加強港人的認知與視野。「IT檔案II」由十二月十二日起，逢星期二晚上七時正，在無線電視翡翠台播出。

「IT檔案II」全輯共十二集，以紀錄片形式探討資訊科技在多個課題上的最新發展，包括智能家居、電影科技、教育、遊戲軟件、網上安全、網上商貿、未來工作環境、數碼醫療、無線世界、網上平等世界、資訊科技中貧富懸殊等，均與日常生活息息相關。本輯節目更遠赴海外多國採訪，如美國、加拿大、日本、韓國、瑞典、芬蘭及馬來西亞，瞭解和吸取他國發展經驗，並探討香港可以借鏡的地方。

「IT檔案II」希望能深入地探討資訊科技的影響性，故除了搜羅最新的科技發展訊息外，同時帶出一些

概念性問題，與觀眾一同分析與思考。其中一集有關網上平等世界，闡釋科技發達能否確保人人受惠，資訊科技如何協助殘障人士改善生活。另一集講述資訊科技中的貧富懸殊問題，討論資訊科技的發展對第三世界的衝擊，而落後國家中一些在資訊科技方面知識貧乏的一群又如何在「e」世代中求存？

配合新節目「IT檔案II」推出，香港電腦學會與香港電台特別舉行為期五周的「IT之王」大比拼網上遊戲，考驗大眾對資訊科技的認識。網友可進入港台網頁中的「IT檔案II」專頁(網址：<http://www.rthk.org.hk>)，或直接登入<http://www.itfiles.org>，參加是項有獎問答遊戲，答中而又被抽中人士，將有機會獲取「個人數碼助理」一部，名額五個。有關網站已設有純文字檔案及黑白版本，適合失明及色弱人士參與。

「IT檔案II」每集將邀請不同藝人擔任主持，包括梁詠琪、陳冠希、徐子淇、Swing.....等等。節目除於逢星期二在無線翡翠台播出外，香港電台網上廣播站將同步直播，網友亦可透過網頁瀏覽節目詳情。

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集數	播出日期	題目
1	12.12.2000	未來的家居
2	19.12.2000	無線王國
3	26.12.2000	電影科技發展
4	02.01.2001	IT教育(學校)
5	09.01.2001	遊戲軟件
6	16.01.2001	網上安全
7	23.01.2001	未來工作環境
8	30.01.2001	網上商貿
9	06.02.2001	IT教育(成人教育)
10	13.02.2001	數碼醫療
11	20.02.2001	網上平等世界
12	27.02.2001	資訊科技的貧富懸殊

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The Hon Ng Ching Fai, Epson Foundation Trustee presented a cheque of HK\$70,000 to Mr. Daniel Lai, President of HKCS in the check donation ceremony.

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HKCS Information Security Special Interest Group (IS-SIG)

HKCS IS-SIG invited Dr. Jan Hruska, the CEO of Sophos Plc., to give a talk to its members on co-operation in the anti-virus (AV) industry on 14 November 2000.

Dr. Hruska firstly discussed the problems of computer virus. Some 60,00 different viruses are reported in the wide and more than 3 new ones detected and reported each day. The most damaging ones (e.g. the ILOVEYOU and NAVADAD) spread via MS Outlook and could corrupt the file registry of Windows. The virus codes are developed in different countries on a 24 hours basis. He emphasized that to develop an effective anti-virus software that can cure all new viruses is a difficult job.

Dr. Hruska went on to explain the AV industry has been co-operating for years. A programme called Rapid Exchange of Virus Samples (REVS) is participated by more than 50 AV companies. Whenever one company receives a sample of new virus, they



IS SIG seminar on Co-operation in the anti-virus (AV) industry on 14 November 2000.



Mr. Allan Dyer, chairman of IS SIG, presented a souvenir to Dr. Jan Hruska, the CEO of Sophos Plc.

will share it with all other REVS participants immediately. Sophos has set up six research centers in the world in order to analyze new samples and develop AV software upgrade on a timely manner. They can normally come up with the software upgrade within eight hours after a sample is received.

Some 25 IS-SIG members attended the talk, which was well received. Many questions such as the naming standards of viruses, security features of Windows and prosecution of ILOVEYOU and CIH were asked and satisfactorily answered by Dr. Hruska.

New copyright law targets businesses using unlicensed software

The Intellectual Property (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 2000 was gazetted in July 2000 and it is intended that it will be brought into force in 2001. One of the principal effects of the Ordinance is to make it clear that a company which knowingly uses an infringing copy of a copyright work in connection with its business commits a criminal offence.

The Ordinance amends various existing provisions of the Copyright Ordinance by replacing the words "for the purpose of trade or business" with "for the purpose of, in the course of or in connection with, any trade or business". This clarifies that under s.31 of the Copyright Ordinance anyone who "possesses for the purpose of, in the course of or in connection with, any trade or business...a copy of a work which is, and which he knows or has reason to believe to be an infringing copy of the work" will be infringing copyright and committing an offence. Previously offenders had tried to argue that they were not liable under s.31 if they only used infringing software in their business but were not actually in the business of dealing in such software. The amendments make it clear that this is not the case and that companies using pirated software will be liable, regardless of what they are trading or the services they are offering.

The current penalty for a criminal offence under s.31 is up to 4 years imprisonment and a maximum fine of HK\$50,000 (level 5). Surveys conducted by the Business Software Alliance show that well over 50% of businesses in Hong Kong are operating pirated software. All companies need to reconsider their position in the light of the new law and ensure that they are only using properly licensed software.

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To celebrate the Year of the Snake, we would like to invite you to join us at the HKCS Spring Dinner 2001 which will be held on 9 February 2001 at Macau Jockey Club (HK) Clubhouse. Your spouse, family members and friends are also welcome.

The HKCS Spring Dinner 2001 will inevitably be an excellent and valuable opportunity for social and business networking. Mahjong would be available from 5pm. Do not miss out this great evening of building and strengthening connections. Prizes are also to be won by you in the lucky draw. Come and join us now!

Details of the Spring Dinner are as follows:

Date : 9 February 2001 (Friday)

Time : 17:00 Mahjong
20:00 Dinner

Venue : **Golden Restaurant (黃金閣高級粵菜)**
Macau Jockey Club (HK) Clubhouse (澳門賽馬會會所)
1/F., East Wing, Shun Tak Centre
200 Connaught Road, Central
Hong Kong

Fee : \$380 per person on a first-come-first-served basis

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