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### Press Release

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#### **ICT Sports & Fun Day 2008**

The Hong Kong Computer Society is pleased to announce the successful completion of the 2008 ICT Sports & Fun day, which was held on Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup> of January 2008 at the Sham Shui Po Sports ground. This event was an astounding success with over 5,000 participants joining in the day's multitude of activities.

The event commenced with an 'Olympics inspired' opening ceremony, involving in excess of 1,000 participants. The march-in gave the corporate teams a golden opportunity to showcase their finest athletes. The march-in was followed by a series of dazzling stage performances, as each team vied for the "Best Performance March-in Show" award. A highlight of the opening ceremony was the torch relay, which demonstrated not only the great Olympic spirit of the participants, but also their unstoppable drive to closely co-operate throughout the different legs of the relay. The relay concluded with a passing of the torch from a child to the officiating guests of the event, who proceeded to light the opening torch and kick-off the day's events.

The following esteemed guests of honour attended to officiate the ceremony: Mr. Frederick Ma Si-hang, JP, Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development; Mr. Pan Yong Hua, Director General of the Education, Science & Technology Department, Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the Hong Kong SAR; Ms. Connie Ho Ka Lai, Veteran Fencing Player; Mr. Cheng Ka Ho, International Nanquan Champion; Ms. Yu Chun Lai, National Games for the Disabled Silver Medallist; Mrs. Jenny Fung Ma Kit Han, BBS, Chairperson, Hong Kong Para-Olympic Committee & Sports Association for the Physically Disabled; Mr. Sunny Lee Wai Kwong, President, Hong Kong Computer Society; and Mr. Raymond Chu Cheuk Lun, Chairperson, ICT Sports & Fun Day 2008 Organizing Committee.

The day's competitions included group games, fun-filled tele-games, children's game booths as well as track and field events. The children's game booths were set up by the sponsors and other participating organisations. The children joined in the stall games and found them lots of fun. They were also responsible for voting for "The Best Children's Game Booth Design." Another highlight of the day was the "ICT League vs. Hong Kong Movie Stars Exhibition Match." The Hong Kong All Stars Sports Association had their full team participate in the exhibition match while the ICT League combined the best players in various leading IT companies.

Along side these events, a number of Hong Kong's local TV personalities were on-hand throughout the day, to entertain spectators. We were honoured to have "Minutes-to-Fame" TV comedian, Gill Mohindpaul Singh and famous artiste Miss Jolie Chan Yat Suen (formerly known as Chan Yuen Kei) in attendance.

After the event, there was a "Poon Choi" feast in the PCCW Sports Complex, Lai Chi Kok where more than 1,000 ICT professionals, their family members and guests came together to not only celebrate the success of the Sports and Fun Day 2008 but also look forward with great anticipation toward August and the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games.

Many IT enterprises enthusiastically supported this event with more than 30 companies and government departments participating. There were 23-36 sponsors and supporting organisations including: Lenovo (Hong Kong) Limited, PCCW Solutions Limited (Platinum Sponsors); Canon HongKong Co Ltd, Hewlett Packard HK SAR Limited (Gold Sponsors); CA (HK) Ltd., IBM China / Hong Kong Limited, Jardine OneSolution (HK) Ltd., Microsoft Hong Kong Ltd. (Silver Sponsors); Automated Systems Holding Ltd., Group Sense Ltd, NCSI (HK) Limited, NEC Hong Kong Ltd., Oracle Systems Hong Kong Ltd, Symantec Hong Kong Ltd (Bronze Sponsors); Microwave Limited (Sponsor); [American International Assurance Company, Limited, The Hong Kong & China Gas Company Limited, Housing Authority - Information Technology Sub-Division, The Hong Kong Jockey Club, Hospital Authority, Hong Kong Air Cargo Terminals Limited, Airport Authority Hong Kong, Hong Kong CSL Limited, China Construction Bank \(Asia\) Corporation Ltd., CLP Power Hong Kong Limited, Modern Terminals Ltd., MTR Corporation, Electronic Data Systems \(HK\) Ltd., Cisco Systems \(HK\) Ltd \(Sponsor\)](#); Computerworld Hong Kong, e-zone (Supporting Media); Hong Kong Information Technology Federation (HKITF), The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers (HKIE), Hong Kong Wireless Technology Industry Association (HKWTIA), Information and Software Industry Association (ISIA) (Supporting Organisations) and hotel Nikko Hong Kong (Press Conference Venue Sponsor).

As the Hong Kong Para-Olympic Committee & Sports Association for the Physically Disabled has a long and successful track record of helping the disabled make the most of their physical capabilities through organising, planning and promoting various kinds of sports activities, the Organising Committee of the ICT Sports & Fun Day 2008 donated HK\$100,000 for training the disabled sportspeople in Hong Kong and supporting them to represent the Hong Kong SAR in various local, regional and international sports competitions.

HKCS would like to extend their most sincere thanks to the sponsors, organisers and most importantly to the participants of the Sports & Fun day 2008.