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Hong Kong Computer Society 香港電腦學會

This year has been a fruitful year for Hong Kong Computer Society and ICT industry. We have made a big change in structure and reorganised Seven Special Interest Groups into Four Specialist Groups. With this consolidation, we can reflect the interests of its members and evolving trends in the IT industry. We witnessed an encouraging growth of event participation rate. This year, we organized 13 HKCS Executive Luncheon or Breakfast Series with a very good response. The Four Specialist Groups have organised nine seminars or forums in total, with each average over 50 attendees and some were over 100 attendees. The Four Specialist Groups will continue to serve HKCS members and the Hong Kong IT sector by disseminating technical application knowledge to in-service professionals via seminars, workshop, forums and networking activities.

As Executive Committee Member of Asia Pacific Information and Communication Technology Alliance Awards (APICTA), HKCS led the Hong Kong delegation comprised 35 local ICT award winners including recipients of the Hong Kong ICT Awards, Hong Kong Awards for Industries, The Pan-Pearl River Delta Region IT FYP Competition, and Microsoft Imagine Cup. The Hong Kong ICT delegation emerged triumphant again in the APICTA 2018 held in Guangzhou, PRC from 10th to 13th October 2018. After fierce competition amongst 260 more entries, Hong Kong proudly received 19 awards including 6 Winners and 13 Merits, making it the biggest winner in this international awards competition and also a record breaking success for Hong Kong. Fano Labs Limited, the winner of Hong Kong ICT Awards 2018: Smart Business Grand Award as well as the Gold Award of Hong Kong ICT Awards 2018: Smart Business (Solution for Business and Public Sector Enterprise) Award, had been awarded the winner of “Business Services – ICT Solutions” category at APICTA 2018. We have been appointed as the Leading Organisers of Smart Business Award of HKICTA 2019 again.

This year, thanks for the sincere support of China Computer Federation, HKCS had signed an MOU with them which encouraged further collaborations include hosting training workshops, event participation, increase of membership enrollment and among other important initiatives. We will continue to explore more opportunities for HKCS members in China market in future.

HKCS has been leading the pace. Recently, the mainland China government’s commitment to foster regional integration, especially for the Greater Bay Area’s project. The theme of our flagship event, Hong Kong International Computer Conference 2018 (HKICC) is “Building a Smarter Bay Area Through Technology Leadership”, where the insights and visions of this hottest issues and trends were shared by experts, scholars and business leaders. The event attracted over 1,000 participants from both Hong Kong and China. We also announced the results of a survey regarding the investment intention of IT industry in the Greater Bay Area during the event.

May I take this opportunity to wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! I look forwards to meeting you in HKCS events in 2019.

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