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Dear members,

Nomination and Election of the New HKPA President

Because of the resignation of Prof. Marco PANG from the President position with effect from 1 Apr 2024, an election will be held to fill the President position in accordance with the HKPA Articles of Association (“Articles”) adopted by a special resolution passed in the Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) on 25 Mar 2023 (refer to our official website).

1. Returning Officer

- (a) The current Executive Committee would appoint a Returning Officer to administer the election of HKPA President.
- (b) Executive Committee members and election candidates are not eligible for appointment as the Returning Officer.
- (c) The Returning Officer must establish and implement an administrative procedure that enables eligible Financial Members (Full Members / Life Members) to nominate and elect the President in accordance with the Articles.
- (d) The procedure must -
 - i. provide a fair and transparent process for eligible Financial Members to participate in the nomination and election of HKPA President;
 - ii. apply democratic principles to the nomination and election of HKPA President; and
 - iii. be consistent with the Articles, any nominations policy and any elections policy.

2. Term of Office of Executive Committee Member Positions

- (a) Except in relation to any person elected under Article 31(7) or Article 32(3), or to fill a casual vacancy, the term of any President, Vice President or elected Executive Committee member is four years.
- (b) Any person elected or appointed to fill a casual vacancy will hold office for the balance of the term of the position that is being filled and at the end of that term, he or she will be deemed to have served an entire term.



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- (c) Except in relation to a member who fills the position of Immediate Past President, a person may remain in the Executive Committee for a maximum of three consecutive terms regardless of the position he or she holds in that period, including any term as an Appointed Executive Committee member and any partial term in a position filled as a casual vacancy.
- (d) Except in relation to a member who is named in Article 97, a person, after serving three consecutive terms as an Executive Committee member, is not eligible to be elected or appointed to the Executive Committee for at least two years after their third term ends.

3. Election of President

Eligibility:

To be nominated for the position of President, a person must -

- (a) be nominated by one Financial Member and seconded in writing by two Financial Members and
- (b) have served at least 12 continuous months in the Executive Committee immediately prior to the closing date for nominations.

If, despite extending the call for nominations by 10 days under Article 25(5), the Returning Officer still does not receive any nominations for the President position, a person may be nominated for the position of President if they -

- (a) have been a Financial Member for at least 12 continuous months immediately prior to the closing date for nominations; and
- (b) are nominated by one Financial Member and seconded in writing by two Financial Members.

Election of President:

- (a) If only one Executive Committee member is nominated for the position of President, that Executive Committee member is automatically elected as the President.
- (b) If more than one Executive Committee member is nominated for the position of President, the Members must elect the President in accordance with the Articles.
- (c) If no Executive Committee members are nominated for the position of President, the position will be filled in accordance with Articles 30(3) and 35(1).



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Term of President:

- (a) Except when they are elected to fill a casual vacancy, any person elected to the position of President holds office from 1 January in the year immediately following their election until 31 December in the fourth year unless they cease to hold the position earlier in accordance with the Articles.
- (b) Subject to Article 29, a person whose term as President will cease under Article 30(7) may seek re-election as President in accordance with the Articles.
- (c) The Executive Committee may invite a person whose term as President will cease under Article 30(7) to exercise an option to fill the Immediate Past President position for up to twelve months commencing on 1 January of the year after their term as President ceases.

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Thanks for your continuous support to HKPA.

Yours sincerely,

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