



## Press Release – For Immediate Release

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### **HSUHK to host Alliance of Asian Liberal Arts Universities Annual Presidents' Forum 2024**

The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong (HSUHK) is set to host speakers from 12 member institutions of the Alliance of Asian Liberal Arts Universities (AALAU), including HSUHK itself, for discussions on the theme of “Sustainability Leadership: The Role of Liberal Arts Education” on 1 November 2024.

The annual President’s Forum serves as a platform for representatives from member institutions to identify significant issues and challenges, explore innovative approaches to liberal arts education, and address emerging opportunities and obstacles in the dynamic educational landscape. This year’s theme focuses on “Sustainability”, prompting participants to engage in discussions about the diverse challenges educators encounter in developing visionary student leaders and building resilient institutions capable of withstanding the adverse impacts of economic instability, climate change, geopolitical uncertainty, and humanitarian crises.

Professor Hiram Chodosh, President of Claremont McKenna College, a top 10 liberal arts higher institution in the US, will deliver the keynote address, highlighting the pivotal role of liberal arts education in fostering sustainability leadership. He will discuss how such education equips future leaders with the knowledge, skills, and resilience required to effectively navigate, manage and mitigate the complex challenges associated with sustainability. Ms Ada Wong, Supervisor at HKICC Lee Shau Kee School of Creativity, will also join the Forum as a Special Guest.

Founded in 2017, AALAU aims to allow members with similar characteristics and visions to jointly improve the quality of teaching, learning, and research through mutual reference and exchange. With HSUHK joining in 2024, the alliance now comprises 31 liberal arts universities across Asia.

Forum details: <https://aalau2024.hsu.edu.hk/>

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### **About The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong**

The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong (HSUHK) is a non-profit private liberal-arts oriented university with six Schools (Business, Communication, Decision Sciences, Humanities and Social Science, Transdisciplinary Studies and Translation and Foreign Languages) and over 6,000 full-time students. Adopting the unique “Liberal + Professional” education model, HSUHK aims to nurture young talent with critical thinking, innovative minds, caring attitudes, moral values and social responsibility.

Aspiring to be a leading private university in the region, HSUHK features a primary focus on undergraduate education, top-quality faculty members, award-winning green campus facilities, innovative degree programmes, unique residential college system combining living and learning, interactive small class teaching, very close student-teacher relationship, RGC-funded impactful research, and excellent student development/support services. HSUHK is listed the 7th (overall) in the ASEAN+ region, the 1st in the Greater China region, and the 1st in Employability as per the 2023 AppliedHE ASEAN+ private university assessment by the Singapore-based AppliedHE. It is also listed among the top 200 worldwide on “Quality Education” and “Decent Work and Economic Growth” in the Times Higher Education University Impact Rankings 2021.