

Honorary Fellow Dr Raymond Leung Siu-hong

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Pro-Chancellor, Chairman of the Council and President:

Dr Raymond Leung Siu-hong was born into a working-class family and, despite material hardships, was able to complete his university education by working hard from a very young age. In developing his career, he strove to enrich his own knowledge and further his studies in the world of high technology. As a result, he was awarded a doctorate in engineering by City University of Hong Kong in 2009.

At present Chairman of SAE Magnetics (HK) Ltd and Chairman and CEO of TDK China Co Ltd, Dr Leung has recently been promoted to the second highest-ranking position in the TDK Group, the first non-Japanese speaking Chinese to hold this position in more than 70 years. One of the few successful entrepreneurs to possess a doctorate in high technology, he attaches great importance to the long-term development of technological education and high technology industries in Hong Kong. And he practises what he preaches, as evidenced when he extended financial assistance to scientific education at CityU, the major beneficiary of his generosity. He has consistently supported the University in such areas as cooperation with the industrial sector, technology transfer and academic exchanges. He is also active in promoting public welfare in Hong Kong and mainland China, for which he was awarded honorary citizenship by the Dongguan People's Government.

In addition to his own efforts, the expectations of his family and the support he received from his brother and sister have played an important part in Dr Leung's education and personal development. He is convinced that the emphasis a traditional Chinese family places on mutual support has significantly contributed to his success. Because of the support and encouragement from his own family and the society, he is now successful

and wants to do something in return. He offers scholarships and research and training opportunities to promising young scholars to enable them to achieve academic and career development for the betterment of society.

Dr Leung has not only made a career in high technology industry, to which his contributions are many, but he holds the far-sighted view that Hong Kong is in a good position to develop cutting-edge technology, as long as preparations are made well in advance. He believes that the development of technology education at universities, combined with a study of the humanities, will produce a new generation of high technology experts. Speaking from his own experience, he points out that in formulating and managing the development of high technology, Hong Kong has its own particular strengths and advantages, such as flexibility, international-mindedness, trilingual language ability and a huge emerging market in China nearby. Dr Leung therefore argues that if Hong Kong can capitalise on its advantages, Hong Kong's creative industries will have a great future. For this reason, he has for many years supported CityU's educational ventures. He holds important positions in a good number of coalitions and affiliations established by the University, seeking to strengthen our bonds with the business and industrial sectors. He is, for instance, Chairman of the Industrial Consortium, Chairman of the Advisory Committee of the Cooperative Education Centre, Chairman of the Steering Committee of Innovation to Realization Program of the Technology Transfer Office, Patron of the CityU Business and Industrial Club, and Board Member of CityU Research Ltd.

Mr Pro-Chancellor, Mr Chairman of the Council and Mr President, Dr Raymond Leung Siu-hong holds far-sighted views on high technology development in Hong Kong, and has brought these views to bear on CityU technological education. In recognition of his successful career and his admirable contributions to education for the creation of wealth in society, it is my great pleasure to present him to you for the conferment of the title of Honorary Fellow.