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HKIoD's Position Regarding Membership Accreditation

The Hong Kong Institute of Directors is pleased to announce its position regarding membership accreditation as follows:-

1. While we have been preaching director professionalism, it is time for the Institute to consider enhancing the implementation of such practice among our members. The Institute's Council has approved a preliminary proposal from the Accreditation Committee regarding the accreditation of our membership in continuing professional development.
2. This accreditation scheme will be further developed after serious and thorough reviews and extensive consultation with our membership. We aim to present an eventual scheme to our members that will be practical, acceptable to our members, professionally recognized and contributing to enhancing director competence among our members and the community at large.
3. One element of the scheme will be the CPD (continuing professional development) time required of our members, which will be a practical number of hours engaged in CPD.
4. Another element of the scheme will be a definition of CPD activities, which may include formal training, attendance of conferences, self-study, work-based activities, etc.
5. The third element of the scheme will be a Code of Conduct for our members, which will form a framework of common reference in conduct in the fulfillment of a director's responsibilities.
6. Our members will be consulted with more specific details in the next six months and are encouraged to be vocal and participative in the development of the scheme.

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