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**The Hong Kong Institute of Directors
Announces Winners of Directors of the Year Awards 2018
at the Institute Annual Dinner**

(Hong Kong, 30 November 2018) – **The Hong Kong Institute of Directors** (“HKIoD”) announced the winners of the Directors Of the Year Awards (“DYA”) 2018 at its Annual Dinner held at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre last night. This year sees the largest number of directors and boards accredited with the Awards. In this era with digital technologies disrupting traditional economic and business operational models, the 20 winners this year have shown their determination to promote and implement good governance and lead their companies or organisations in achieving new milestones. These Awardees are exemplary in demonstrating the award theme “Leadership in Times of Change”.

The opening ceremony was hosted by Mr Henry Lai, Chairman of HKIoD, with The Hon James Henry Lau Jr JP, Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury, as the Guest of Honour and speaker.

Mr Henry Lai, Chairman of the Council of HKIoD, said, “Having a good governance system can allow a company to develop healthily and sustainably. However, to cope with the ever-changing operating environment, conventional ways of doing things have to change also. Leaders of changes need to have extraordinary vision, openness and courage when exploring new paths in new circumstances. These qualities are found in all the winning directors and boards this year. They dare to venture into new realms and lead their companies in facing rapid changes in the business environment. We hope their success stories can serve as examples and provide the benchmark for enhancing corporate governance to different industries in Hong Kong.”

Mr William Lo, Chairman of the Awards Organising Committee, said, “There is the saying ‘water is a boon in the desert, but the drowning man curses it’, which is a perfect description of what technological development can do to the business world. It can spark the creativity of new generation leaders, create business opportunities and boost profit, but the risks involved should not be slighted. Picking ‘Leadership in Times of Changes’ as the theme of DYA this year reflects the Organising Committee’s objective to honour leaders who stand out in performance amid the dynamic world and recognise their outstanding contribution to the business world.”

Dr Carlye Tsui, CEO of HKIoD, said, “For leaders in the corporate world to come up with correct decisions in the ever-changing operating environment, they have to keep learning new knowledge. Always keeping its finger on the pulse of the market and also technological development, HKIoD has designed educational programmes pinpointing the needs of directors, so as to help them maintain strong corporate governance in their organisations seeking to ride the new economic tide and move on to embrace new opportunities.”

The winners of the DYA 2018 in the various award categories are listed below.

Listed Companies Categories	
Executive Directors	Ms Chan Yuen Shan Clara MH Chief Executive Officer, Lee Kee Holdings Limited
	Mr Kong Qingwei Chairman, China Pacific Insurance (Group) Co., Ltd
	Mr Lai Ni Hium Chief Executive Officer & Executive Director, Dah Chong Hong Holdings Limited
	Mr Lam Tak Hing, Vincent Chairman, Executive Director & Chief Executive Officer, Asiaray Media Group Ltd

	Mr Lee Wai Kwong Chief Executive Officer & Executive Director, ASM Pacific Technology Limited
	Ms Wong Ka Ki, Ada FRICS Executive Director, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Investment Officer, Champion REIT
	Mr Yiu Chiu Fai Executive Director & Chairman of Board, Henan Jinma Energy Company Limited
Non-Executive Directors	Mr Zhang Jijing Chairman and Non-Executive Director, Dah Chong Hong Holdings Limited
Boards	Board of Directors, China Pacific Insurance (Group) Co., Ltd
	Board of Directors, Dah Chong Hong Holdings Limited
Non-listed Companies Categories	
Boards	Board of Directors, Leo Paper Group (Hong Kong) Limited
Statutory/Non-profit-distributing Organisations Categories	
Non-Executive Directors	Ms Grace Fung Oei Chairperson, Ronald McDonald House Charities® Hong Kong Limited
	Ms Sabrina Chi Wai Ho Chairman, The Child Development Centre
	Dr Ip Simon Sik On GBS CBE JP Immediate Past Chairman, The Hong Kong Jockey Club
	Prof John Leong Chi-yan SBS OBE JP Chairman, Hospital Authority
	Mr James Edward Thompson GBS Chairman, The Hong Kong Management Association
Boards	Board of Directors, The Australian International School Foundation Limited <i>In addition: recognition of Excellence in Board Diversity</i>
	Board of Equal Opportunities Commission <i>In addition: recognition of Excellence in Board Diversity</i>
	Board of Directors, The Hong Kong Management Association
	Executive Committee, The Society for the Promotion of Hospice Care <i>In addition: recognition of Excellence in Board Diversity</i>

About Directors Of The Year Awards

First launched in 2001, Directors Of The Year Awards were the first ever such Awards organised in Asia. The project has now become an annual project of impact in the community. The objectives are to recognise directors and board of directors for outstanding director practices and corporate governance, to publicise the significance of good corporate governance and to promote awareness of good corporate governance and director professionalism in Hong Kong. Nominations are open to the public. As good corporate governance is vital to all types of organisations, and professional director practices are encouraged from directors in all board roles, the Awards recognise excellence in categories by company types, including listed companies, non-listed companies and statutory/non-profit-distributing organisations, and categories by roles, including Executive Directors, Non-Executive Directors and Boards. For more details on the previous years' Awards, please visit <http://www.hkiod.com/dya-awardees.html>

About The Hong Kong Institute of Directors

The Hong Kong Institute of Directors is Hong Kong's premier body representing directors to foster the long-term success of companies through advocacy and standards-setting in corporate governance and professional development for directors. A non-profit-distributing organisation with membership consisting of directors from listed and non-listed companies, HKIoD is committed to providing directors with educational programmes and information service and establishing an influential voice in representing directors. With international perspectives and a multi-cultural environment, HKIoD conducts business in biliteracy and trilingualism. Website: <http://www.hkiod.com>.

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