



The Institution of
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FROM AUTOMATION TO AUTONOMY:

**THE ULTIMATE CHALLENGE TO CORPORATE
MANAGEMENT IN THE AI AND HUMANOID ERA**

SYNOPSIS



Hong Kong is poised at the cusp of a profound technological revolution, driven by rapid advancements in artificial intelligence (AI) and robotics. The Chief Executive's 2025 Policy Address underscores this momentum, announcing the formation of an AI Efficacy Enhancement Team, led by the Deputy Chief Secretary for Administration, to spearhead efforts in harnessing AI for reform and heightened efficiency across public services. This initiative signifies a strategic commitment to embedding intelligent systems into governance and industry.

Aligning with China's broader development framework as articulated in the 14th Five-Year Plan, Hong Kong aspires to reinforce its status as an international centre for finance, innovation, law, and trade. The establishment of the HK\$1 billion AI Research and Development Institute in 2026 exemplifies the city's ambition to lead in upstream AI research and foster a vibrant ecosystem of innovation. As the city aspires to become a pivotal hub for AI-driven solutions, the transition from mere automation to autonomous decision-making presents both unprecedented opportunities and complex managerial challenges—requiring a nuanced re-evaluation of corporate strategy and leadership in this new epoch.

This symposium aims to equip corporate leaders, technologists, and policymakers with a comprehensive understanding of the opportunities and challenges at the frontier of AI and robotics, fostering dialogue on how to navigate the ultimate management paradigm shift in the digital age.



DATE & TIME:

22 May 2026 Friday

09:00 - 17:00

(Time of Registration: 08:30)



VENUE

**Ballroom, Level 7, Cordis,
Hong Kong, 555 Shanghai
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SPEAKERS

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Welcome Address

Opening Address

Officiating Address

Keynote Address

Ir Albert LEUNG, Symposium Chairman and Immediate Past Chairman, IET Hong Kong Management Section

Ir Dr LO Wai-kwok, GBS, MH, JP, Symposium Advisor

Mr. Michael WONG Wai-lun, GBS, JP, Deputy Financial Secretary, Government of the HKSAR

AI Policy and Legislation (TBC)

The Hon Duncan CHIU, Member of the Legislative Council of the HKSAR, Functional Constituency - Technology and Innovation

Government AI Implementation (TBC)

Ir POON Kwok-ying, Raymond, JP, Director of Electrical & Mechanical Services, Electrical & Mechanical Services Department, Government of the HKSAR

IET HK (MS) Lecture

Issues in Future Governance of Self-Evolving LLMs and Humanoids (TBC)

Professor Ahti-Veikko Juhani PIETARINEN Professor, Associate Director Hong Kong Baptist University (HKBU)

Mr. Andre BLUMBERG, Chief Digital Officer, CLP Holdings

Corporate

Governance

Open Forum No. 1

Legislation, Policy and Governance in Hong Kong (TBC)

Panel Chair : Ir Professor Alfred SIT, GBS, JP, Chief Executive and Secretary, The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers (HKIE) cum Symposium Advisor

Panelists : Professor Ahti-Veikko Juhani PIETARINEN Professor, Associate Director Hong Kong Baptist University (HKBU)

Mr. Andre BLUMBERG, Chief Digital Officer, CLP Holdings

Ms. Queenie CHAN, General Manager - Business Transformation & Enquiry, The Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited

Mr. Dave CHEN, President, Hong Kong Computer Society

Professor Dr. Kelvin WAN, Vice President and Chairman of AI Expert Group, The Project Management Institute of Hong Kong

Dr. Welland CHU, President, ISACA China Hong Kong Chapter

Showcase No. 1

HKT + Unitree

Showcase No. 2

HIKVision

Showcase No. 3

Mr. Albert LAM, Co-Founder / CEO, Novelte Robotics

Showcase No. 4

(TBC)

Showcase No. 5

Professor Eric MOY, CEO, KBQuest, Adjunct Assistant Professor, HKU Business School

Showcase No. 6

Thales (TBC)

Open Forum No. 2

Ultimate Opportunities and Challenges and Future Trend (TBC)

Panel Chair : Ir Henry CHEUNG, IET Hong Kong Past Chairman cum Symposium Advisor

Panelists : Mr. Samuel LO, General Manger, Nvidia AI Technology Center, Hong Kong and Macau

Professor Eric MOY, CEO, KBQuest, Adjunct Assistant Professor, HKU Business School

Mr. Albert LAM, Co- Founder / CEO, Novelte Robotics

Ms. Adeline CHAN, CEO and Co-Founder, AAL INNOVATION

Mr. Thomson LAI, Managing Director, Digital, Aecom

Representatives from HKT, Unitree, HIKVision, Thales (TBC)

Closing Remark

Ir Sally LEUNG, Chairlady of Symposium Organizing Committee

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