

HKUEFPA Annual Report 2012-2013

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Report from the Chairman 2012-2013

Dear Members of HKUEFPA,

The executive committee (“Excom”) of the HKUEFPA (also the “Association”) 2012-2013 continued the mission of fostering closer relationship between students, alumni and the Faculty of Business and Economics (“FBE”) and the School of Economics and Finance (the “School”). With the strong support from the School, HKUEFPA had another successful year. I am pleased to report that the Association has organized series of career and professional activities, social and networking events as well as new initiatives over the past year.

Career and Professional Activities

HKUEFPA organized two professional talks and one Financial Forum. Wearing the hat of the Head of Secondary Loan Sales for JPMorgan Securities (Asia Pacific) Limited, I offered a professional talk in May on “Syndicated Loan Market”, and another on “Secondary Loans Market” in September. Both topics were well received from members. We held our first Financial Forum on the “Latest Development of Renminbi Business in Hong Kong, from Macroeconomic, Corporate and Asset Managing Perspectives” in June. We were grateful to have Ms. Frances Cheung, Senior Strategist of Credit Agricole Corporate and Investment Bank, Mr. Chi-Chun Ho, Head of Treasury Marketing of China CITIC Bank International Limited, and Dr. HS Tang, Managing Director of BOCI-Prudential, as guest speakers at the Financial Forum, and Excom member, Mr. Calvin Cheung as host of the event. The event was well attended by alumni and students from HKU courses leading to postgraduate degrees with substantial concentration in economics and finance, treasury markets, practitioners, and professionals from banks and other financial institutions in Hong Kong.

To better assist our members with career search and self identification/promotion, we continued to help fellow student members to produce name-cards.

Social and Networking Events

HKUEFPA co-hosted with the School the 6th Annual Economics and Finance Postgraduates High Table Dinner in April at Loke Yew Hall of HKU Campus. As a genuine HKU tradition, this gala event serves as an important platform to foster the relationship between the School and our postgraduates. Given this year is the 10th anniversary of the first batch of our MFin graduates, we invited some reputable graduates to share their views and experience over the past 10 years after their MFin graduation and we all had a memorable night.

We organized the 4th Masters Debate Championship where postgraduates from the Master of Economics, Master of Finance, and the joint MEcon/MFin program in Shenzhen met and debated on specific topics. Two specific workshops – *Introduction to Debating Skills* and *Introduction to Public Presentation Skills* were organized prior to the competitions. After several rounds of exciting debates, we are delighted that MEcon team comprised of Ms. Amy Na Li, Mr. Leslie Tay, Dr. Chao Quan and Ms. Adriana Tam won the Championship title.

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Report from the Chairman 2012-2013 (continued)

To help new students to familiarize with HKU and as a rare opportunity to know students from different programs, HKUEFPA organized the 3rd Orientation Day Camp in September. More than 100 students participated in this event. The day included ice breaking activities as well as alumni sharing session which all students found very helpful.

We organized three happy hour events, one of which was a special networking drinks event with the counterparts from the joint MFin program between HKU and Peking University in Shenzhen who were in Hong Kong in June. For outdoor activities, we organized a Golf Fun Day event at Kau Sai Chau Jockey Club Public Golf Course for our fellow student and alumni members in November.

To keep our members updated on the Association events as well as industry excitements, we continue to publish our HKUEFPA Newsletter on a quarterly basis.

New Initiatives

For new initiatives, HKUEFPA organized our first Singing Contest in October. More than 50 students, alumni and guests attended the event. Ms. Alice Qiu (MFin 2012) was the Champion for the members group, and Ms. Shirley Mak was the Champion for the public group.

Since the incorporation of HKUEFPA, the memberships are open to students and alumni from the programs of Master of Economics, Master of Finance, Master of Business Administration as well as Master of Philosophy in Economics/Finance and Doctor of Philosophy in Economics/Finance. To date, we have 1,247 members and our membership number continues to grow.

Currently, HKUEFPA continues to waive all membership and application fees for members. While charges are levied on the participants for our events to cover the costs, we maintained a prudent financial policy to keep our administrative expenses at the minimum. With support from the School in providing facilities and subsidies for student members to participate in some of our events, this year, we achieved a good surplus at the end of the financial period. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank ShineWing (HK) CPA Limited to take the Honorary Auditor role and helped in the auditing of our financial reports.

The Association has made good progress and developments, and on behalf of the Excom, I would like to express our most sincere gratitude for the strong support and trust from our members, students, alumni and the School. I would also like to thank everyone of our Excom members for their time, support, dedication, sacrifices and hard work during the term 2012-13.

Thank you all and I look forward to more of your support for our Association to grow from strength to strength and to serve our members, students, alumni and Alma Mater better in the future. While I have decided to step down as Chairperson, I would continue to show my support in another capacity.

Yours sincerely,
Dr Kate Kwan
Chairperson
2012-2013

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Major Events and Activities

1. Committee Meetings

A total of 13 Committee Meetings were held during the term. All matters relating to the Association were raised and discussed during these meetings. Attendance of the Committee Members for the meetings is as follows:

		<u>Attendance</u>
Chairperson:	Dr. Kate KWAN	13 meetings
Vice Chairman:	Mr. Yi DU	11 meetings
Honorary Secretary:	Ms. Chang SU	13 meetings
Honorary Treasurer:	Ms. Jingyu LUO	13 meetings
Committee Members:	Mr. Wai Chung CHEUNG	9 meetings
	Mr. Heng GENG	10 meetings
	Ms. Lihong HE	9 meetings
	Mr. Yuejun SUN	11 meetings
	Mr. Zhiheng TU	11 meetings
Immediate Past Chairperson:	Ms. Yuri ZHOU	0 meeting

2. List of events and activities

2012

15 Dec **4th Annual General Meeting**

A new HKUEFPA Excom has been elected and appointed.

2013

24 Jan **Annual Tea Reception with FBE**

HKUEFPA Excom joined the Tea Reception organized by FBE, a good opportunity for FBE students and alumni representatives to meet with FBE Faculty members.

27 Jan **Excom HotPot Dinner**

HKUEFPA Excom's first excom networking event after the 2nd excom meeting.

Feb **Introduction to Debating Skills and Introduction to Public Presentation Skills**

A workshop tailored for debate competitors for the HKUEFPA Masters Debate Championship competitors.

16 Mar **HKUEFPA Masters Debate Championship Final**

1 Mar **HKUEFPA Masters Debate Championship Preliminaries**

The 4th Masters Debate Championship seen strong competition amongst students from the Master of Economics, Master of Finance, and the joint HKU/PKU Master of Finance Shenzhen. Result was MEcon winning the Championship.

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Major Events and Activities (continued)

2. List of events and activities (continued)

6 April HKUEFPA High Table Dinner

The Association co-hosted this annual gala event with the School of Economics and Finance, this time at Loke Yew Hall of HKU Campus. Over 175 students, alumni and faculty members enjoyed an evening of networking and performances by our students. This year also marked the 10th anniversary of our first batch MFin graduates.

25 Apr HKUEFPA Happy Hour

Over 50 alumni and friends enjoyed the Happy Hour at Sevva, Central, after a day's hard work.

7 May Coffee Sharing Session

Dr. Kate Kwan, Chairperson of HKUEFPA, Mr. Calvin Cheung, HKUEFPA Excom member, shared their work experience and career history with selected current student members.

7 May Professional Talk Series 1 – Syndicated Loan Market

Dr. Kate Kwan, Chairperson of HKUEFPA and Head of Secondary Loans Sales of JPMorgan Securities (Asia Pacific) introduced theoretical knowledge on syndicated loan market gave attendees a deeper insight of this industry. Over 50 members joined the talk.

7 June Financial Forum

Over 50 members joined the Financial Forum which covers the latest development of the Renminbi business in Hong Kong, from macro-economic, corporate and asset managing perspectives.

14 June Happy Hour / Networking Drinks with Peking U/HKU MFin Students

Over 50 students from Peking U/HKU MFin joined this interesting networking event with MFin and MEcon students and alumni in Hong Kong.

26 Jul HKUEFPA Happy Hour

HKUEFPA held a summer happy hour event on Jul 26 at Café Habitu in Admiralty with over 30 alumni reuniting with old friends and meeting new ones.

21 Aug

14 Aug Orientation Dinner for MFin and MEcon

Invited by FBE, HKUEFPA Excom members joined the orientation dinner at Island Pacific Hotel to meet up new current students of both programs.

1 Sept HKUEFPA MEcon/MFin Orientation Camp 2013

More than 100 new students, Excom, and volunteers joined the orientation day camp for new postgraduate students at HKU Campus.

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Major Events and Activities (continued)

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21 Sept Professional Talk Series 2 – Secondary Loans Market

Dr. Kate Kwan, Chairperson of HKUEFPA and Head of Secondary Loans Sales of JPMorgan Securities (Asia Pacific) presented a talk on the Asia Pacific secondary loans market.

27 Oct HKUEFPA Singing Contest

A fun competition to explore the singing talents of HKUEFPA members.

16 Nov Gulf Fun Day

Interesting outdoor event for students and alumni to have a golf fun day at Kau Sai Chau Jockey Club Public Golf Course and a buffet thereafter.

3. Admission of new members

A total of 102 members were admitted to the Association during the year 2013.

Breakdown of 102 members include 20 ordinary members and 82 student members.