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The United Nations Fellows Training Programme on Economic Information System Management at The Chinese University of Hong Kong

The Chinese University of Hong Kong announces the launching of the United Nations Fellows Training Programme on Economic Information System Management at the university on 2 January, 1990. The Programme is technically supported by the United Nations Department of Technical Co-operation for Development, and implemented by the university.

The first project of its kind carried out in Hong Kong by the United Nations, this training programme is co-sponsored by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Shun Hing Education and Charity Fund.

The programme provides a six-month period of intensive course work and practical training to 19 Fellows who are currently technical and managerial staff members of the China State Economic Information System (CSEIS). Consisting of ten model economic information centres, CSEIS is coordinated by the State Economic Information Centre in Beijing which is directly under China's State Planning Commission.

The Fellows are college graduates with some years of working experience, most of them having had formal training in scientific and technical fields. Eleven of them are funded by the United Nations Development Programme and eight by the Shun Hing Education and Charity Fund.

The programme consists of 14 short courses in economics, management, information systems and statistical computing; taught by experts from Chinese University of Hong Kong's Business Administration, Science and Social Science faculties.

After completing the course work, the Fellows will have a period of practical training in which they can apply their technical knowledge in solving practical problems of economic planning and management of information systems. Arrangements are being made for each Fellow to join a public or private organization in Hong Kong for a period of two weeks to two months of training. Training activities may be in the forms of short fact-finding visits, special studies under the guidance of an in-house expert, or an actual project performed for the host organization. Each Fellow will then submit a written report based on his/her placement activities.

Further information on the training programme may be obtained from the programme director, Dr P Y Wong, Unit Head, China Special Economic Zones Data and Research Unit at the Chinese University of Hong Kong (Tel: 6952028).