

LINGNAN UNIVERSITY

A Summary of Discussions and Decisions of the Council Meeting Held on 9 February 2026

1. The Council WELCOMED Ms HO Shuk Yee Samantha for attending the Council meeting for the first time.
2. The Council RECORDED a vote of thanks to Ms Christina GAW whose term of office as a member of the Council was completed on 31 December 2025.
3. The Council RECEIVED a report from the President on the activities of the University, including:
 - (a) LU has recently established new agreements on academic cooperation with the following institutions:
 - Brunel University of London, the United Kingdom
 - EDHEC Business School, France
 - Fundació Privada Universitat i Tecnologia, La Salle – Universitat Ramon Llull, Spain
 - Nanyang Technological University, Singapore
 - Özyeğin University, Türkiye
 - School of Management, Jinan University, China
 - The University of Malta, Malta
 - (b) The University has renewed its inter-institutional agreement of cooperation with the following institutions:
 - Burgundy School of Business, France
 - Goucher College, the United States
 - Hiroshima University, Japan
 - IPAG Business School, France
 - Kristianstad University, Sweden
 - Shanghai University, China
 - South China Normal University, China
 - Toulouse Business School, France
 - University of Rijeka, Croatia
 - Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania
 - (c) The University has signed Memorandum of Understanding with major mainland partners at the University level with:
 - DAS Intellitech
 - Jinan University
 - University of Science and Technology of China
 - (d) Professor SONG Yongduan, Dean of School of Data Science, was elected as one of the 24 newly elected Foreign Members of the Chinese Academy of Engineering. Professor Sam KWONG was awarded the Natural Science Award (First Prize), the highest honour of the 2025 Shandong Computer Federation Science and Technology Awards. He has also received the 2026 IEEE Transactions on Evolutionary Computation Outstanding Paper Award for his co-authored paper and the 2025 IEEE Signal Processing Society Best Paper Award.

- (e) 43 Lingnan scholars have been listed in the World's Top 2% Scientists published by Stanford University and 19 of them ranked among the global top 100 in their respective disciplines. Professor YAO Xin, Professor Sam KWONG and Professor SONG Yongduan have been named on the list of the Clarivate Highly Cited Researchers 2025.
- (f) LEI's Humanitarian Technology team won the Industrial Bank Cup of the Top 10 Technological Innovation Awards at the Shenzhen International Intelligent Elderly Care Industry Expo for its CREW Intelligent Wheelchair system. The team also secured a Gold Medal for the same wheelchair and a Silver Medal for its portable baby incubator at the 5th Asia Exhibition of Innovations and Inventions Hong Kong (AEII). All nine of the University's participating research projects received awards at the 5th AEII, including two Gold Medals, four Silver Medals and three Bronze Medals.
- (g) The work of Professor WU Shengfan, Assistant Professor of the Wu Jieh Yee School of Interdisciplinary Studies, was published in Nature, marking the first time that Lingnan has published an article in Nature as a co-corresponding author.
- (h) The University has officially unveiled Asia's first United Nations University Hub on Humanitarian Innovation and Technology, reinforcing Lingnan's global role.
- (i) The University co-hosted the Times Higher Education World Academic Summit with King Abdullah University of Science and Technology in October 2025, with the participation of the Council Chairman. The University also hosted a President's Panel at the event, where the President as one of the panelists alongside leaders from Siemens, Tsinghua University, and the University of Bristol on digital transformation and AI for global impact.

4. The Council RECEIVED the following:

- (a) Confirmed minutes of the Senate meetings held on 26 May and 13 October 2025,
- (b) Report from the Campus Development and Management Committee,
- (c) Report from the Christian Activities Committee,
- (d) Report from the Finance Committee, and
- (e) Report from the Institutional Advancement Committee.

5. The Council APPROVED the following appointments/re-appointments to its standing committees concerned with immediate effect unless otherwise specified:

- (a) Christian Activities Committee
 - Mr CHAN Ka Yun as a member,
- (b) Finance Committee
 - Ms HO Shuk Yee Samantha as a member, and
- (c) Institutional Advancement Committee
 - Mr NG Leung Sing and Mr SAM Chien Man Henry as co-opted members with effect from 27 February 2026 for a term of one year.

6. The Council APPROVED the following:

- (a) the expansion of membership composition of the Finance Committee by increasing the maximum number of other members from six to seven, and
- (b) the 2025-26 Income and Expenditure Revised Forecast.

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