

Dr Fok Chun-wan, SBS, JP

Doctor of Business Administration *honoris causa*

Citation

After graduating, renowned patriotic businessman Dr Fok Chun-wan joined the companies founded by his father, the late Vice-Chairman of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, Dr Henry Fok Ying-tung. Having inherited his father's patriotism, love for Hong Kong, resilience, and pioneering spirit, he became a successful entrepreneur who skilfully integrates Chinese wisdom into both business and life. Dr Fok understands the essence of traditional Chinese martial arts, and applies those principles creatively in his business practices and personal philosophy, so that his unique leadership style is imbued with Eastern wisdom.

A visionary in commerce, Dr Fok is very clever at adapting to circumstances, and in the late 1970s and early 1980s his enterprises followed the trends, participating in the nation's reform, opening-up, and modernisation. His business activities include property, construction, tourism, culture, and transport, and notable projects are the White Swan Hotel and the Zhongshan Hot Spring Resort, which have made substantial contributions to the prosperity of the Chinese Mainland, Hong Kong, and Macao. His people-oriented business approach emphasises integrity and is considered a model in the industry.

Dr Fok also served as a Deputy to the 11th, 12th, and 13th National People's Congresses. With a strong sense of responsibility and mission, he offered suggestions on reform and opening-up, as well as conducting in-depth grassroots research, and listening to public opinion, and his proposals accorded with economic and social development. Leveraging his extensive commercial experience and international perspective, Dr Fok provided valuable advice for national development strategies, demonstrating his political commitment and love for the nation and Hong Kong.

In the industrial and commercial sectors, Dr Fok has demonstrated exceptional leadership, effectively applying the Tai Chi principles of using an opponent's force and overcoming strength with stillness and softness to navigate his business career of over 50 years with both skill and ease. Since the early 1980s, he has held senior positions from Committee Member to Chairman in the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, uniting the industrial and commercial communities, and making wise recommendations. He has also served as Vice-Chairman of the All-China Federation of Industry and Commerce, ensuring economic and trade cooperation across the Strait and the three regions, thus contributing to regional economic integration. Dr Fok also supports the World Chinese Entrepreneurs Convention, which fosters the apolitical development and collaboration of the global Chinese business network, building cross-national commercial bridges, and exerting the influence of Chinese entrepreneurs on the international stage.

Beyond his commercial achievements, Dr Fok has long assisted the nation's and Hong Kong's educational and charitable causes. Always keen to inspire and cultivate talent, early in his career, he served as a Standing Committee Member and later Vice-Chairman of the All-China Youth Federation, stimulating and aiding the growth and development of young people. He also founded the Hong Kong United Youth Association in order to create a platform for exchange to assist a

new generation that loves its homeland and Hong Kong, and to foster dialogue and teamwork between young people in the Chinese Mainland and Hong Kong. This has produced a great many outstanding talents and future leaders for "One Country, Two Systems" and Hong Kong's long-term prosperity and stability.

Dr Fok is also actively involved in the work of the Fok Ying Tung Foundation, particularly in educational philanthropy. Having inherited his father's ethics, he firmly believes in the principles of "cultivating oneself and nurturing others", and has strongly backed the development of higher education and scientific research in both Chinese Mainland and Hong Kong. He also founded the Hong Kong Pei Hua Education Foundation with Dr Lee Shau-kee, and both gentlemen have been long-term contributors to talent cultivation and economic development in Chinese Mainland, demonstrating great foresight and aligning closely with Lingnan University's motto of "Education for Service".

Dr Fok, through his various martial arts roles, is a key driver in internationalising and popularising the Chinese martial arts. As early as the 1980s, he founded the Wushu Federation of Asia, serving as its Vice-President and later President, and successfully campaigning for Wushu's inclusion in the Asian Games. In 2022, he established the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area Wushu Alliance to encourage youth exchange within the Bay Area, and he believes that "Wushu is not just a sport; it is an important vehicle of our Chinese culture." In recent years Dr Fok has advocated its introduction into schools and spared no effort in promoting Chinese Wushu across Asia and around the world, laying a solid foundation for this traditional culture to which he has contributed so much.

In acknowledgement of Dr Fok's outstanding leadership in the industrial and commercial sectors, his selfless dedication to social welfare, and his invaluable contributions to national development, particularly in education, culture, and sport, he has been awarded the Silver Bauhinia Star by the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, and made an Honorary Citizen by the Guangzhou and Shaoguan governments. His great wisdom in integrating martial arts philosophy into his life practice along with his resilient, wise, and inclusive actions perfectly embodies his knowledge, practice, and social responsibility, setting an excellent example for Lingnan's students.

Mr Chairman, in recognition of Dr Fok's exceptional contributions to the nation and to the economic, cultural, and educational development of Hong Kong, his support of young talent, and of Chinese Wushu, I respectfully present to you Dr Fok Chun-wan for conferment of the degree of Doctor of Business Administration *honoris causa*.

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榮譽工商管理學博士

贊辭

霍震寰博士乃是著名愛國商人，畢業後就加入全國政協副主席霍英東所創立的企業。他從父親身上傳承了愛國愛港、堅韌不拔、敢於拼搏的精神特質，成為了一位成功的企業家，一位將中華智慧融會於商業與人生的實踐者。他深諳中國傳統武術之精髓，並將其智慧創造性地運用於為商之道與處世哲學之中，形成獨特而深具東方智慧的領導風範。

在商業領域，霍博士高瞻遠矚，善於因勢利導，在上個世紀七十年代末期、八十年代初期，他領導企業順應時代潮流，積極參與國家改革開放與現代化建設，業務遍及地產、建築、旅遊、文化、運輸等多個行業，著名項目包括白天鵝賓館、中山溫泉賓館等，為內地、港澳的經濟繁榮作出了重要貢獻，其經營之道是重信守諾，以人為本，更堪稱業界典範。

霍博士亦曾擔任第十一、十二、十三屆全國人大代表，以高度的責任感和使命感，積極貢獻個人識見，協助推動改革開放進程。他深入基層調研，傾聽民意，所提提案緊扣經濟社會發展需要，以其豐富的商業實踐和國際視野，為國家發展戰略提供寶貴建議，充分展現了愛國愛港的政治擔當。

在服務工商界方面，霍博士展現了卓越的領導才能，同時充分運用到太極拳功式借力打力、以柔克剛的身段，使他五十餘年的商旅生涯，縱橫馳騁，遊刃有餘。他自八十年代初期起長期擔任香港中華總商會要職，從會董到會長，團結工商界，積極建言獻策；更曾榮任中華全國工商業聯合會副主席，積極推動兩岸三地經貿合作與交流，為區域經濟融合發展貢獻心力。他還積極推動世界華商大會，致力於促進全球華商網絡的建設與合作，搭建跨國商業橋樑，提升華商在國際舞台上的影響力。

在其商業成就外，霍博士更以其深厚的家國情懷，長期支持國家的教育公益事業，致力為國家為香港育才儲才，他早年即擔任中華全國青年聯合會常委至副主席，長期關心和 support 青年成長與發展。他更創立香港青年聯會，為香港青年搭建交流平台，培養愛國愛港新一代，促進香港與內地青年的交流與合作，為「一國兩制」事業和香港的長期繁榮穩定培育了大量優秀人才和未來領袖。

他亦積極參與霍英東基金會的工作，尤其在教育公益事業上繼承先父遺志，堅信「育己樹人」的理念，大力支持內地及香港的高等教育與科研事業發展；同時與李兆基博士聯合創立「香港培華教育基金會」，長期助力內地人才培養與經濟建設，深具遠見，與嶺南大學「作育英才，服務社會」的校訓高度契合。

對於推動中華武術國際化、普及化，身兼多項武術公職的霍博士是主要的推手之一。他早於上世紀八十年代創立亞洲武術聯合會並先後擔任副主席及主席，成功爭取將武術加入亞運；2022年又牽頭成立「粵港澳大灣區武術聯盟」，促進大灣區青少年交流。他認為：「武術不只是運動，還是我們中華文化的重要載體」，近年來積極推廣武術進入校園實現普及化。他不遺餘力地推動中華武術走向亞洲、邁向世界，為傳統文化的國際傳播與交流奠定了堅實的基礎，功勳卓著。

基於霍博士在工商界的卓越領導、對社會公益的無私奉獻、對國家發展特別是教育、文化與體育事業的突出貢獻，霍博士已獲香港特別行政區政府頒授「銀紫荊星章」；廣州市政府及韶關市政府頒發「榮譽市民」等殊榮。他將武術哲學融入生命實踐的獨特智慧，以及其堅韌、睿智、包容的為人之道，完美體現了知識、實踐與社會責任的結合，更可為嶺南學子樹立了崇高的榜樣。

主席先生，為表彰霍博士對國家、香港經濟、文化、教育發展的傑出貢獻、青年人才的培育、及中華武術的傳承推廣，本人謹恭請 閣下頒授榮譽工商管理學博士學位予霍震寰博士。

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