

Professor Roy Chung Chi-ping, BBS, JP

Doctor of Business Administration *honoris causa*

Citation

Prof Roy Chung Chi-ping was born in Macau, and came to Hong Kong all by himself at the age of 16 with a Form 4 education. He began his career as a warehouse keeper at the US company International Telephone & Telegraph Corporation (ITT), and became a warehouse manager at ITT within ten years. Working hard during the day and continuing school in the evening, he is a true practitioner of lifelong learning. Years later, through remarkable will and perseverance, Prof Chung managed to earn an MSc in Engineering Business Management and a Doctor of Engineering from the University of Warwick in the UK, as well as a Doctor of Business Administration from the City University of Macau.

Impelled by his entrepreneurial spirit as a self-made man, Prof Chung continued to explore ways to further develop his career. In 1985, he founded Techtronic Industries Co. Ltd with a German partner. The company started off by manufacturing rechargeable batteries, and he was responsible for overseeing actual production matters. With outstanding acumen, leadership and foresight, Prof Chung built his company from the ground up, developing it into a global leader in the production of home improvement and construction tools. Over the past three decades, the company has achieved rapid growth: its annual turnover leapt from HK \$500 million when the company was listed in Hong Kong in 1990 to almost HK \$40 billion today, or more than 70 times. Having served as Group Managing Director and then as Group Vice-Chairman & Executive Director, the acclaimed “King of Power Tools” now enjoys a more relaxing position as a non-executive director of the company. In addition, Prof Chung is at present an independent non-executive director of TK Group (Holdings) Ltd and Fujikon Industrial Holdings Ltd. He had also previously served as an independent non-executive director of KFM Kingdom Holdings Ltd and Kin Yat Holdings Ltd. It can be said that Prof Chung embodies the industrious spirit and the creative force of his generation that have made Hong Kong what it is today.

Prof Chung’s outstanding achievements are the result of simple and firm beliefs. His motto is “work with focus, innovate constantly, exert one’s best, and embrace the future”. Constant innovation, strategic acquisition and synergic integration are some of the key factors to his success. As he points out, “industrial work requires a lot of time and energy. There is no quick money to be earned here, and you can’t rise to the top without passion. What is more, you need to be always ready to face difficulties, to find solutions to problems, to turn the impossible into the possible. On top of all these, you have to race against time.” Even today, away from the front line of management and production, Prof Chung remains committed to rejuvenating Hong Kong’s industries through high added value innovations in design and technology, and through strengthening cooperation between government and industry. “We need to have more people think in broader terms in order to flourish in the 21st century, such as thinking about synergic cooperation among Hong Kong, Shenzhen, Macau and Zhuhai in regional terms,” he stressed.

In addition to his own achievements, Prof Chung has dedicated himself to the advancement of industry in Hong Kong. His many contributions include serving as Chairman of the Federation of Hong Kong Industries, Vice-Chairman of The Hong Kong Standards & Testing Centre Ltd, Vice-Chairman of Hong Kong Design Centre Ltd, a member of the Innovation & Technology Steering Committee of the Innovation & Technology Commission of the Hong Kong SAR Government, a General Committee member of the Chamber of Hong Kong Listed Companies, a director of The

Hong Kong Safety Institute Ltd, a Council member of the Hong Kong Trade Development Council as well as Chairman of its Electronics/ Electrical Appliances Industry Advisory Committee.

As an entrepreneur with a deep sense of social responsibility, Prof Chung is also concerned with general community welfare in Hong Kong, and participates actively in voluntary and public services locally as well as abroad. He had served as Deputy Chairman of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University Council, and is currently Chairman of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University Court as well as a director of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University's Development Foundation. In addition, Prof Chung is, or has been, a Council member of the University of Warwick, Vice-Chairman of the Vocational Training Council, Chairman of the Faculty of Business Advisory Board at Lingnan University, Executive Committee Chairman of Outward Bound Hong Kong, Executive Committee Chairman of the Boys' and Girls' Club Association of Hong Kong, and a member of the Board of Directors of the Hong Kong Paediatric Foundation. He is also the founder of the Bright Future Charitable Foundation.

Prof Chung's many-sided achievements and contributions have received wide recognition over the years. He won the Federation of Hong Kong Industries' Hong Kong Young Industrialist Award in 1997, and was further named Industrialist of the Year in 2014. He was appointed as a Justice of Peace in 2005, and awarded the Bronze Bauhinia Star by the Hong Kong SAR Government in 2011. In terms of academic honours, Prof Chung was awarded an honorary doctorate by the University of Newcastle (New South Wales, Australia) in 2006, and an honorary Doctor of Business Administration by The Hong Kong Polytechnic University in 2007. He was appointed as an Industrial Professor by the University of Warwick in 2010.

Mr Chairman, for his outstanding professional achievements and his distinguished service to the industrial sector as well as the Hong Kong community, may I present Prof Roy Chung Chi-ping to you 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

鍾志平教授出生於澳門，十六歲時帶著中四的學歷隻身來到香港。他第一份工作是在美國ITT集團當倉務員，十年間晉升至貨倉部經理。他白天勤懇工作，晚上持續進修，是終身學習的真正實踐者。多年後，憑著非凡的意志和毅力，鍾教授分別從英國華威大學獲取工程商業管理碩士和工程學博士，以及從澳門城市大學獲取工商管理博士學位。

鍾教授白手興家，懷著創業者的精神不斷探索如何進一步開展事業。他1985年和一位德國夥伴創辦創科實業有限公司。創科由生產充電池起步，他負責管理生產實務。憑著精明睿智、領導才能和先見之明，鍾教授由零開始，把公司發展成生產家居裝修及建設工具的全球性企業，領導同行。公司在過去三十年迅速增長，每年營業額從1990年在香港上市時的5億港元增至現時接近400億港元，躍升七十多倍。這位備受推崇的「電鑽大王」先後出任集團董事總經理、集團副主席及執行董事，目前則相對悠閒地擔任公司的非執行董事。此外，鍾教授亦是東江集團（控股）有限公司及富士高實業的獨立非執行董事；他亦曾出任金德控股有限公司及建溢集團有限公司的獨立非執行董事。可以說，鍾教授體現了他那一代的刻苦精神和創造力，讓香港得以成為今日的香港。

鍾教授的卓越成就，源自簡單而堅定的信念。他的座右銘是「專注工作，不斷創新，精益求精，懷抱未來」。推陳出新、策略性收購和協同式融合，都是他成功之道的關鍵因素。正如他指出，「從事工業需要很多時間和精神，當中沒有快錢可賺。如果沒有熱誠，很難出人頭地。還有，你要隨時迎難而上，解決問題，把不可能變成可能。除了這些以外，還得跟時間競賽。」即使如今已從管理及生產前線退下來，鍾教授仍然對復興香港的工業充滿關切，認為政府和工業界應加強合作，致力於高增值的設計及科技創新。他強調：「我們要在二十一世紀持續繁榮，就需要具有更廣闊的思維和視野，例如放眼於香港、深圳、澳門和珠海之間的地區性協作。」

個人成就以外，鍾教授對推動香港工業的發展不遺餘力。他的多方貢獻包括擔任香港工業總會主席、香港標準及檢定中心副主席、香港設計中心副主席、香港特別行政區政府創新科技署屬下創新及科技督導委員會委員、香港上市商會常務委員會委員、香港安全認證中心董事、香港貿易發展局理事會成員及貿發局電子及電器業諮詢委員會委員。

作為一位深懷社會責任的企業家，鍾教授亦熱心於香港的整體社會公益事務，積極參與本地及海外的義務工作及公職服務。他曾任香港理工大學校董會副主席，現任理工大學顧問委員會主席及理工大學發展基金董事。此外，鍾教授亦先後擔任英國華威大學校董會成員、職業訓練局副主席、嶺南大學商學院諮詢委員會主席、香港外展訓練學校執行委員會主席、香港小童群益會執行委員會主席及香港兒科基金董事局成員。同時他亦是鵬程慈善基金的創辦人。

鍾教授成就出眾，建樹良多，多年來廣受讚揚。他於1997年獲香港工業總會的香港青年工業家獎，2014年更榮獲傑出工業家獎。他於二零零五年獲香港特別行政區政府委任為太平紳士，2011年獲頒授銅紫荊星章。學界榮譽方面，鍾教授於2006年獲澳洲紐卡斯爾大學頒發榮譽博士

銜，2007年獲香港理工大學頒授榮譽工商管理博士銜，2010年獲華威大學委任為工業教授。

主席先生，為表揚鍾教授卓越的專業成就以及對香港工業界和社會的傑出貢獻，本人謹恭請閣下頒授榮譽工商管理學博士學位予鍾志平教授。

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