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**The Honourable Sir Michael Kadoorie
Bestowed SHTM Lifetime Achievement Award by Hong Kong Polytechnic University**

[Hong Kong 25 September 2017] The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels (HSH) Chairman The Honourable Sir Michael Kadoorie, GBS, L.L.D.(Hon), DSc(Hon), Commandeur de la Légion D'Honneur, Commandeur de L'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres, Commandeur de L'Ordre de la Couronne, Commandeur de L'Ordre de Léopold II, is the recipient of the **SHTM Lifetime Achievement Award** presented to him at a ceremony held in his honour on 22 September 2017.

The **SHTM Lifetime Achievement Award** was established by the School of Hotel and Tourism Management (SHTM) of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PolyU) to honour outstanding personalities who have contributed substantially to the development of hospitality and tourism in Hong Kong, the region and around the world. In awarding the distinction, the School seeks to recognise true leaders who help define the global hospitality landscape and advance the industry as a whole.

At the award ceremony, PolyU President Professor Timothy W. Tong said, “Over the years, Sir Michael has made immense contributions to the international hotel sector, and is continuously redefining the standard of hospitality and luxury. Apart from contributing to the hotel industry, Sir Michael and his family are also supporting Hong Kong’s development in other aspects, and has funded many community initiatives to serve the disadvantaged in Hong Kong and other Asian countries, and the noble deeds are performed in a humble manner. Sir Michael is no doubt a stellar role model and a mentor for young people.”

Sir Michael remarked, “It is a great honour to be recognised for my contribution to the hospitality and tourism sectors, which in itself has been tremendously rewarding. In truth, the Award belongs to all those whom I have had the privilege of working with and a testament to the continued vision and dedication of generations of management and staff who have brought forth the results that are being recognised.”

“We should all be proud that in Hong Kong we have a world-class School of Hotel and Tourism Management which provides many opportunities to cultivate and advance industry standards and, at the same time, nurture talent to play a part in furthering the hospitality and industry’s growth,” he continued.

Sir Michael’s enduring contribution to the hospitality industry has been in both the commercial and philanthropic sectors. The success and expansion of the Peninsula Group, within the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, owes much to the keen personal interest he shows in all aspects of the Group’s work and especially with the location and design of new hotels. The



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same energy is translated to his firm belief that greater opportunities must be made available to the disadvantaged.

Although Sir Michael has many business commitments and responsibilities and is actively involved in a wide programme of philanthropic funding, it is his passion for hospitality in each of these fields that singles him out as one of Hong Kong's foremost and visionary hoteliers.

Sir Michael is Chairman of The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels Limited, and Chairman of CLP Holdings Limited, as well as Heliservices (Hong Kong) Limited and Metrojet Limited. He is also a Director of Sir Elly Kadoorie & Sons Ltd and holds a number of directorships in other companies and organisations.

“The SHTM prides itself as a leading force in world hospitality and tourism research and education. Our commitment to excellence is well supported by industry heavyweights and visionaries such as Sir Michael Kadoorie,” said Professor Kaye Chon, SHTM Dean, Chair Professor and Walter Kwok Foundation Professor in International Hospitality Management. “With our international faculty, diverse student body and an influential support base, our School will continue to scale new height and play a pivotal role in nurturing talents for the advancement of the entire industry.”

Over 300 guests attended the ceremony on 22 September and witnessed the presentation of the award held at Hotel ICON, Hong Kong.





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About The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited (HSH)

Incorporated in 1866 and listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong (00045), HSH is the holding company of a Group which is engaged in the ownership, development and management of prestigious hotel, commercial and residential properties in key locations in Asia, the United States and Europe, as well as the provision of transport, club management and other services. The Peninsula Hotels portfolio comprises The Peninsula Hong Kong, The Peninsula Shanghai, The Peninsula Beijing, The Peninsula Tokyo, The Peninsula New York, The Peninsula Chicago, The Peninsula Beverly Hills, The Peninsula Paris, The Peninsula Bangkok, and The Peninsula Manila. Projects under development include The Peninsula London, The Peninsula Yangon and The Peninsula Istanbul. The property portfolio of the Group includes The Repulse Bay Complex, The Peak Tower and St. John's Building in Hong Kong; The Landmark in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam; 1-5 Grosvenor Place in London, UK, and 21 avenue Kléber in Paris, France. The clubs and services portfolio of the Group includes The Peak Tram in Hong Kong; Thai Country Club in Bangkok, Thailand; Quail Lodge & Golf Club in Carmel, California; Peninsula Clubs and Consultancy Services, Peninsula Merchandising, and Tai Pan Laundry in Hong Kong.



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About PolyU's School of Hotel and Tourism Management

For close to 40 years, PolyU's School of Hotel and Tourism Management has refined a distinctive vision of hospitality and tourism education and become a world-leading hotel and tourism school. Rated No. 1 in the world in the "Hospitality and Tourism Management" category according to ShanghaiRanking's Global Ranking of Academic Subjects 2017, placed No. 1 in the world in the "Hospitality, Leisure, Sport & Tourism" subject area by the CWUR Rankings by Subject 2017 and ranked among the top 3 "Hospitality and Leisure Management" institutions globally in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017, the SHTM is a symbol of excellence in the field, exemplifying its motto of *Leading Hospitality and Tourism*.

With 75 academic staff drawing from 22 countries and regions, the School offers programmes at levels ranging from undergraduate degrees to doctoral degrees. In 2012, the SHTM was bestowed the McCool Breakthrough Award by the International Council on Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Education (I-CHRIE) recognising its breakthrough in the form of its teaching and research hotel – Hotel ICON – the heart of the School's innovative approach to hospitality and tourism education. A member of the UNWTO Knowledge Network, the SHTM is also the editorial home of *Asia Pacific Journal of Tourism Research*, *Journal of Travel and Tourism Marketing*, *Journal of Teaching in Travel and Tourism* and *Journal of China Tourism Research*.