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Prof HO Kin-chung was the former Dean of School of Science & Technology and Ng Chun Man Professor in Environmental Science & Conservation of the Open University of Hong Kong (OUHK). After retirement from OUHK, he established the Polar Research Institute of Hong Kong (PRIHK) and has served as Director of the Bauhinia Research Station in Svalbard Isles of the Arctic region. Because of his specialties and academic profile, he has been employed as Special-appointed Professor in the College of Marine Ecology and Environment of Shanghai Ocean University from May 2019 (for 3 years continuously). Moreover, he has been appointed as Honorary Professor in the Department of Geography of The University of Hong Kong since June 2019.



Graduated from the Chinese University of Hong Kong with major in Biology and minor in Biochemistry, Prof Ho obtained a MSc degree in Environmental Resources from Salford University of the United Kingdom in 1980. He worked in the Environmental Protection Department of the Hong Kong Government for 10 years, during which he also studied in The University of Hong Kong for his PhD degree by part time. His doctorate thesis related to the significance and formation mechanism in subtropical waters. In mid-1992, he became Senior Lecturer in Environmental Studies of the OUHK (formerly known as Open Learning Institute of Hong Kong). He was subsequently promoted to be Associate Professor, Professor and Dean of the School of Science and Technology. Before his retirement in OUHK, he won renown as a Ng Chun Man Professor in Environmental Science and Conservation.

Prof Ho has a wide spectrum of academic interests, including but not limited to, Harmful Algal Blooms, Water Quality and Water Resources Management, Environmental Impact Assessment, Environmental Planning and Policy, Environmental Management and Sustainability, Energy Management and Climate Change, Environmental Ethics, Ecological Theology, Environmental Education and Public Governance. He has visited the Higher Arctic 15 times and the Antarctica 4 times for scientific research and expedition. So far, he has published more than 500 research

articles in refereed journals and international conference proceedings. He also published and edited 42 books, 8 sets of distance-education study materials and more than 20 technical reports for the Government and public corporations.

Besides academic contributions, Prof Ho serves enthusiastically in professional bodies in Hong Kong and Mainland China. He is an active member of several green groups and public consultative committees including the Advisory Council of the Environment, the Sustainable Development Committee, the Town Planning Board and the Advisory Committee on the Quality of Water Supplies of the Government of HKSAR. As the laureate of several significant awards locally and internationally, Prof Ho was conferred a Badge of Bauhinia Star (BBS) by the HKSAR Government in 2004 and has been appointed a Judge of the Peace (JP) since 2014.