

## **Appendix**

### **About CUHK's fintech programme and CEFAR Academy**

A pioneer in financial technology education in Hong Kong, the Faculty launched the first undergraduate fintech programme in the 2017/18 academic year, and a Master of Science in FinTech programme in the 2019/20 academic year. The 2022/23 academic year marks another milestone, with the launch of the new Postgraduate Diploma (PgD) in FinTech. It will allow high-calibre candidates to learn core fintech skills and emerging developments, giving them the chance to explore potential careers in the fintech sector. These programmes aim to cultivate a new generation of financial technologists and equip them with essential industry experience and professional skills. The programmes receive full support and high commendation from the banking industry and financial regulatory bodies.

CEFAR Academy was established in 2020 by the Faculty with the aim of creating a new pipeline of talent for Hong Kong's rapidly emerging fintech industry. It partners with government, industry, NGOs, professional bodies and other universities and research institutes to provide research experience and internship opportunities for students. It also serves as a platform for knowledge transfer and promotes technology development and application.

### **About Hang Seng Bank**

Founded in 1933, Hang Seng Bank has continually innovated to provide best-in-class, customer-centric banking, investment and wealth management services for individuals and businesses. It is widely recognised as the leading domestic bank in Hong Kong, currently serving more than 3.5 million customers.

Combining its award-winning mobile app and strong digital capabilities with a vast network of around 270 service outlets in Hong Kong, Hang Seng offers a seamless omni-channel experience for customers to take care of their banking and financial needs anytime, anywhere.

Its wholly owned subsidiary, Hang Seng Bank (China) Limited, operates a strategic network of outlets in almost 20 major cities in Mainland China to serve a growing base of Mainland customers locally and those with cross-boundary banking needs. The Bank also operates branches in Macau and Singapore, and a representative office in Taipei.

As a homegrown financial institution, Hang Seng is closely tied to the Hong Kong community. It supports the community with a dedicated programme of social and environmental initiatives focused on future skills for the younger generation, sustainable finance and financial literacy, addressing climate change and caring for the community.

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