



**The Honourable LEUNG Chun-ying to inaugurate the
EAA “Distinguished Speaker Series”**

(25 May 2005) Since May 2005, the Estate Agent Authority (EAA) has implemented the voluntary phase of the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Scheme for practitioners. The EAA “Distinguished Speaker Series” is a major event in the initial stage of the CPD Scheme, and the EAA has invited a number of prominent professionals and business leaders as speakers.

The Honourable LEUNG Chun-ying, GBS, JP, Member of the Executive Council of the HKSAR, and of the National Standing Committee of the Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference, and Chairman of the HK Coalition of Professional Services is the first distinguished speaker. He will speak on “New Milestones in the Economic Partnership Between Hong Kong and the Pearl River Delta”.

Ms Sandy Chan Pui-shan, Chief Executive Officer of the EAA, said, “With ‘Professional Excellence Through Learning’ as its objective, the CPD Scheme aims at promoting professionalisation of the estate agency trade. The regulatory mechanisms which govern the operations of the practitioners have now been in place for over six years. We hope the CPD Scheme will enhance the competence of estate agents and the currency of their professional knowledge in the industry’s continuing contribution to Hong Kong’s economic development.”

The CPD programmes are classified into core and non-core subjects. Practitioners are encouraged to earn not less than 10 CPD points per CPD Period (generally 12 months), comprising not less than 6 from core subjects and not less than 4 from non-core subjects. Licensees attending this talk will be awarded 1.5 CPD points (non-core subject).

Mr. Leung’s presentation will take place on Monday, 30 May 2005 at 11:00a.m. at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Wanchai, Hong Kong. The presentation will be conducted in Cantonese. All estate agent/salesperson licensees are welcome. Admission is free. Seats are available on a first-come-first-served basis. Those who are interested please register on-line at the Authority’s website: <http://www.eaa.org.hk>. For enquiries, please call the EAA Professional Development Hotline at



2150 2468.

Other recent CPD activities include:

(1) A seminar organized by LexisNexis. The topic of the seminar is “Entitlement to agency commission and Small Claims Tribunal proceedings”. The seminar will take place on 28 May 2005, from 10:00am to 12:00pm at the Estate Agents Authority. Enquiries and registration hotline: 2536 0297 / 2965 1421.

(2) A Skills Upgrading Scheme course organized by the HKFTU Occupational Retraining Centre. The topic of the course is “Application of on-line resources in the estate agency profession.” The course will take place on every Wednesday from 25 May to 27 July 2005, from 6:50pm to 10:20pm, at 6/F, Sunbeam Commercial Building, 469-471 Nathan Road, Yau Ma Tei, Kowloon. Enquiries and registration hotline: 2715 6671.

(3) A Skills Upgrading Scheme course organized by the HKFTU Occupational Retraining Centre. The topic of the course is “Effective management in the estate agency profession.” The course will take place on every Tuesday from 24 May to 5 July 2005, from 7:00pm to 10:00pm, at 2/F, 22 Choi Hung Road, San Po Kong, Kowloon. Enquiries and registration hotline: 2715 6671.

Details and activities of the CPD Scheme are posted on the EAA website: <http://www.eaa.org.hk>.

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