



**Mr James H Lau Jr to speak in
EAA's "Distinguished Speaker Series"**

(15 January 2007) The Estate Agents Authority (EAA) has invited Chief Executive Officer of the Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Limited Mr James H Lau Jr, JP, to be the next speaker in EAA's Distinguished Speaker Series.

Mr Lau will speak on "Development of the Mortgage Financing Market in Hong Kong and the Role of the Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Limited" on 12 February 2007 (Monday) from 10:30am to 12:30pm at Room 201 of the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre.

Mr Joseph Tsang, Chairman of EAA's Professional Development Committee, said: "EAA is privileged to have Mr Lau as the fifth speaker in our Distinguished Speaker Series. Mr Lau will give an analysis to estate agency practitioners on the mortgage insurance business – a sector which is very closely related to the finance and property markets. I am sure practitioners will benefit from his wealth of experience and deep knowledge of the subject."

Mr Lau has been the Chief Executive Officer of the Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation since July 2004. He joined the Hong Kong Government as an Administrative Officer in 1979, then served as Hong Kong's Deputy Permanent Representative to the GATT in Geneva from 1986 to 1990 before joining the Office of the Exchange Fund as Assistant Director (Monetary Management) in 1991. Mr Lau joined the Hong Kong Monetary Authority in 1993 and became Executive Director (External) in 1994 and Executive Director (Monetary Management and Infrastructure) in 2000.

The talk will be conducted in Cantonese and is free of charge. Licensees attending the talk will be awarded two CPD points in non-core subjects. Practitioners may register online at the EAA website (www.eaa.org.hk), or download a registration form. For enquiries, please call the EAA Professional Development Hotline at 2150 2468.

The Distinguished Speaker Series is a major activity of EAA's



Continuing and Professional Development Scheme. The series invites prominent professionals and business leaders to give talks to broaden practitioners' horizons and enable them to benefit from the knowledge and experience of distinguished people in different professions and disciplines.

The Distinguished Speaker Series has held talks by the Honourable Leung Chun-ying, Convenor of the Non-official Members of the Executive Council; Mr Kwok Kwok-chuen, Government Economist; Professor Xu Jialu, Vice Chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress and Mr Fred Lam, Executive Director of the Hong Kong Trade Development Council.

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