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Dear Ms Marieke T. TE BOOIJ, MA

Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme 2016/17

With the aim at recruiting the best and brightest students in the world to pursue PhD study in Hong Kong, the Research Grants Council (RGC) of the Government of Hong Kong SAR has established the “**Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme**”. In this connection, I am writing to appeal to you for your assistance in recommending outstanding and good research potential candidates to apply for the Scheme through **City University of Hong Kong**.

The Fellowship provides a **monthly stipend of HK\$20,000 (~US\$2,600)**, and **conference and research-related travel allowance of HK\$10,000 (~US\$1,300)** per year for the awardees for a maximum of three years. In addition, Fellowship recipients at CityU will be awarded the “**Chow Yei Ching School of Graduate Studies Entrance Scholarship**” (**HK\$69,096; ~USD8,858**), which covers students' tuition and on-campus hostel accommodation fees in their first year of research studies.

The Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme is inviting applications for 2016 entry from 1 September 2015 - 1 December 2015 (by noon Hong Kong Time). The key milestones and application procedures are as follows:

| Application Deadline | Action |
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| 1 December 2015 (by noon Hong Kong Time) | Applicants should first submit an initial application at the RGC's Online Application System (OAS) (www.rgc.edu.hk/hkphd) to obtain a RGC reference number. |
| 7 December 2015 | Applicants are then required to submit full application, together with supporting documents, to CityU's Online Admission System at www.cityu.edu.hk/sgs/oas , and quote the RGC reference number. |
| March 2016 | Announcement of Fellowship results by the RGC |

Firm admission offer with regular postgraduate studentship will be given to selected CityU's nominees, even if they are not awarded the Fellowship by the RGC. The admission offer will be confirmed by the University in January 2016.

I have pleasure in enclosing a poster and leaflet prepared by our College for your information/dissemination to potential students. Should you or your students wish to know more about the Scheme, please visit our website (<http://www.cityu.edu.hk/cse>) or contact us by email at seoffice@cityu.edu.hk.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Best regards,

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Dean of College of Science and Engineering