

IAS Sponsorship of Plenary/Invited Speakers of Activities

With a view to encouraging HKUST faculty members to help the IAS build clusters of research activities and new initiatives at HKUST in the form of standalone conferences/workshops/seminars/symposiums, etc. (hereby refer to as “activities”), the IAS has established a sponsorship scheme to partially fund the distinguished scholars from outside Hong Kong who contribute to such activities.

1. Principles and Amount

- (a) For each activity, the IAS may sponsor up to two plenary/invited speakers whose home institution is outside Hong Kong.
- (b) The sponsorship amount for each IAS-sponsored speaker, which comprises an honorarium and travel subsidy, is set out in the following table.

Home institution of the IAS-sponsored speaker	Sponsorship amount
South China (Guangdong, Guangxi, Hainan, Macau and Shenzhen)	HK\$9,000
Asia (including the rest of China other than South China)	HK\$12,000
Outside Asia	HK\$20,000

2. Application

- (a) An applicant must be on the Organizing Committee of the activity.
- (b) Requests must be made and approved prior to the activity date.
- (c) Please complete the IAS Sponsorship of Plenary/Invited Speakers of Activities form (IAS Form B – Aug 2018).

3. Consideration

- (a) Consideration will be entirely based on the academic and research standing of the plenary/invited speakers of the activity. The same yardstick for considering speakers for IAS Distinguished Lectures will be used.

- (b) Funding proposals will be reviewed on rolling basis. Please keep in mind that the IAS has a limited amount of funds for this scheme. The earlier to submit a sponsorship request, the better the chances for receiving sponsorship.
- (c) Activities which form part of an IAS topical research program are not covered by this scheme.

4. Conditions of Sponsorships

- (a) As a condition of funding the speakers of the activity, at least part of the activity is to be held at the IAS Building, or on HKUST campus in case a suitable venue is not available at the Building.
- (b) The IAS sponsorship is to be acknowledged in all activity advertisement materials by listing the “HKUST Jockey Club Institute for Advanced Study” within its contents.
- (c) Except under extenuating circumstances, in the event where an IAS-sponsored speaker does not deliver a talk at the activity, the IAS has the right to rescind the sponsorship given to that particular speaker.
- (d) The IAS will neither involve in nor be responsible for the activity, including but not limited to planning, organization, management and operation.

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