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## **Pre-eminent Leaders to be awarded Honorary Doctorates**

At the 14th Congregation of the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST) to be held on 10 November, three pre-eminent leaders will be conferred honorary doctorates in recognition of their academic achievements and social contributions.

The three recipients and their respective honorary degrees to be conferred are:

- Mr Tung Chee Hwa, Vice-Chairman of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference: Doctor of Social Sciences *honoris causa*
- Prof Hau L Lee, Thoma Professor of Operations, Information, and Technology at the Stanford Graduate School
  of Business: Doctor of Engineering honoris causa
- Prof Alan G MacDiarmid, Nobel Laureate in Chemistry: Doctor of Science honoris causa

HKUST Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of the Court, Dr the Honorable Sir Sze-Yuen Chung, will officiate at the Congregation ceremony on 10 November.

Brief biography of the three recipients:

Mr Tung Chee Hwa: as the first Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, Mr Tung led Hong Kong's smooth transition from British Administration to Hong Kong people governing Hong Kong with a high degree of autonomy, and successfully implemented the "One Country, Two Systems" concept. He is currently the Vice-Chairman of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference.

Prof Hau L Lee: Prof Lee is Thoma Professor of Operations, Information, and Technology at the Stanford Graduate School of Business and Director of the Stanford Global Supply Chain Management Forum.

Prof Alan G MacDiarmid: Prof MacDiarmid is the Nobel Laureate in Chemistry in 2000 for the revolutionary discovery and development of conductive polymers. He is currently a teaching Professor at the University of Pennsylvania and the University of Texas at Dallas.