Dear Members/Member Practices,

**Does Your Practice Stack Up?**

Right now, the Institute is recruiting small and medium size firms to participate in a benchmark practice management study. Participating firms will have access to a database that will allow them to better manage their practices and plan for the future by comparing themselves to others.

The survey closes on 23 September, so watch for your chance to contribute, and results are expected in late October.

**CPA Day is Coming!**

Remember to wear your CPA Pin next Thursday, 8 September - CPA Day - to celebrate the first anniversary of the rebranding of your designation and the Institute's name. Watch for our advertisements which will run in four major papers. If you need replacement of pin, please write to us at: hkicpa@hkicpa.org.hk.

**CPD for Upcoming Months**

New CPD programmes on accounting, taxation, PRC and legal issues are now available to members. Among the new courses are the Institute and FTC joint Accountancy programmes.

Please register now to secure a seat.

**Guide on Internal Control and Risk Management**
The Institute has completed the Chinese language version of its latest corporate governance guide: *Internal Control and Risk Management - A Basic Framework*. The guide, now bilingual, provides basic concepts, general principles and recommendations for a system of internal control and risk management. It's a useful reference for companies that aim to implement or enhance their system of internal control. Click [here](#) to see our announcement on publishing this guide and [here](#) if you want to get a copy.

**Reminder**

Workshops on PRC Accounting, Auditing, Taxation, Capital Market and Corporate Governance will commence on 24 September. Click [here](#) for more.

**Olympian Events for CPAs**

The 17th World Congress of Accountants, co-organised by International Federation of Accountants, will be held in November 2006 in Istanbul. The congress features major concerns for the global profession, and is held every four years. The previous congress was successfully hosted by the Hong Kong Institute of CPAs in 2002.

Taking place in conjunction with the IFAC congress will be the 10th World Congress of Accounting Educators, which is co-organised by the International Association of Accounting Education and Research, of which the Institute is a corporate member.

**For Your Information**

Hong Kong Institute of Directors has published a *Guide for Remunerating Independent Non-Executive Directors*. Click [here](#) to see more and order a copy.

Institute members will enjoy special rates on joining the following programmes:

- **Venture Capital / Private Equity Partnership Conference** organised by the Hong Kong Venture Capital and Private Equity Association on 12 September.
- **Young Professional Exchange and Enhancement Tour** - A trip to Shenzhen Hua Wai Technologies and Yiantain Port organised by the Hong Kong Coalition of Professional Services on 24 September.
- **Professional Diploma in Business Administration in the PRC** run by the Productivity Training Institute starting in early October.
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