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The 7th Project *WeCan* Job Tasting Programme Officially Kick-starts Offering around 200 Diversified Internship Opportunities for Secondary School Students

23 July, 2018 (Hong Kong): Project WeCan officially kicked off the annual Job Tasting Programme, offering nearly 200 internship opportunities from 32 companies for secondary school students. Stephen Ng, Chairman of Project WeCan Committee, met the fresh interns on their first day of work. He inspired students with 3Os (Open your eyes, Open your mind and Open your heart) and encouraged them to seize the opportunities and earn more working experience. Students are looking forward to becoming a staff member and learning more about their favourite industries through the internship with a view to better equip themselves for the future.

Launched in 2012, the Job Tasting Programme is the largest and most comprehensive summer internship programme for secondary school students in Hong Kong. Nearly 200 students from 37 Project *WeCan* partner schools join the Programme this year, with support from 32 companies (please see attached table). The Programme simulates a proper job search and application process, from job posting, writing application letters, to attending interviews. Appointed students will get a taste of working in real life through a two- to four-week internship in different departments of participating companies.

Apart from the Job Tasting Programme, Project *WeCan* organises a series of activities including Career Exploration Day, annual Young Innovators Bazaar and year-round company visits and career talks to broaden students' horizons and enrich their understanding on different industries

Photo Captions:

1. Stephen Ng, Chairman & Managing Director of The Wharf Group and Chairman of Project *WeCan* Committee, meeting the student interns



2. Mr Ng shows support for the students



 Students work in Consulate General of Switzerland in Hong Kong's booth during Hong Kong Book Fair 2018



The 32 corporate partners supporting the Job Tasting Programme:

- Antonio & Clayton*
- Bluebell Hong Kong Limited
- CBRE *
- city'super Limited
- Coach Hong Kong Limited
- Cushman & Wakefield*
- CW CPA*
- Consulate General of Switzerland in HK*
- Elegant*
- German Consulate General Hong Kong*
- Golden House Products Co. Ltd.
- Grosvenor Limited
- Harbour City
- Harriman Property Management Limited
- Hong Kong Air Cargo Terminals Ltd
- I.T Limited

- Lane Crawford
- LWK & Partners (HK) Ltd.
- Marco Polo Hotels Hong Kong
- Modern Terminals Limited
- Pacific Club
- Plaza Hollywood
- Queen Mary Hospital
- Savills (HK)*
- The "Star" Ferry Company, Limited
- The Nielsen Company
- Times Square Limited
- Wharf Limited
- Lane Crawford
- Wheelock & Co
- Wheelock Properties (Hong Kong) Limited
- WTT HK Limited

* New companies in 2018

The 37 Project WeCan partner schools participating in the Job Tasting Programme:

- Bethel High School
- Buddhist Ho Nam Kam College
- Buddhist Wong Wan Tin College
- Caritas Tuen Mun Marden Foundation Secondary School
- CCC Fong Yun Wah Secondary School
- CCC Fung Leung Kit Memorial Secondary School
- CCC Kei Heep Secondary School
- Chiu Chow Association Secondary School
- Concordia Lutheran School North Point
- Cotton Spinners Association Secondary School
- Fung Kai No. 1 Secondary School
- HHCKLA Buddhist Ching Kok Secondary School
- HKTA The Yuen Yuen Institute No. 1 Secondary School
- HKTA The Yuen Yuen Institute No. 3 Secondary School
- HKWMA Chu Shek Lun Secondary School
- Ju Ching Chu Secondary School (Tuen Mun)
- Ko Lui Secondary School
- Kwun Tong Kung Lok Government Secondary School
- Lok Sin Tong Leung Kau Kui College

- Lok Sin Tong Wong Chung Ming Secondary School
- Lok Sin Tong Yu Kan Hing Secondary School
- Ma Kam Ming Charitable Foundation Ma Chan Duen Hey Memorial College
- Man Kiu College
- Nam Wah Catholic Secondary School
- Ng Yuk Secondary School
- Po Chiu Catholic Secondary School
- Po Leung Kuk C W Chu College
- Pui Ying Secondary School
- San Wui Commercial Society Secondary School
- The Hong Kong S.Y.C. & I.A. Chan Nam Chong Memorial College
- The Salvation Army William Booth Secondary School
- The Yuen Yuen Institute MFBM Nei Ming Chan Lui Chung Tak Memorial College
- Tsang Pik Shan Secondary School
- TWGHs C Y Ma Memorial College
- TWGHs Wong Fung Ling College
- TWGHs Yow Kam Yuen College
- Yan Oi Tong Chan Wong Suk Fong Memorial Secondary School

About Project WeCan

Project *WeCan*, a Business-in-Community initiative, aims to provide secondary school students who are disadvantaged in learning with additional resources and care to empower them for pursuing higher education and future careers. Project *WeCan* is supported by 45 corporates, consulates and other professional organisations. The Project currently has 53 schools participating, benefitting about 50,000 students. In 2018/19 school year, Project *WeCan* Phase III will be launched with 22 new schools joining, making the total number of schools to 75 and benefitting 66,000 students. Meanwhile, the number of our corporate partners and supporting organisations will also increase to 67 from 45.

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