City University of Hong Kong

Biographies of the 2016 Honorary Doctorates

Mr Yeung Kin-man, Founder and Chief Executive of Biel Crystal (HK) Manufactory Limited, received an Honorary Doctor of Business Administration.

Mr Yeung was born and raised in Hong Kong and has a storied career, starting from scratch as an entrepreneur, setting up a watch glass manufacturing business at the age of 31, and developing it into a global leader of mobile phone glass covers and smartphone touch screens.

With his keen interest in research and development and a keen eye for innovation, his company developed rapidly. Mr Yeung first produced cover glass for watches on the Mainland in the 1980s. With the advent of the mobile phone, he quickly recognised the potential for making glass covers for mobiles, and later, touch screens for smartphones, making record breakthroughs.

Extending his business widely, Mr Yeung operates branches in Shenzhen, Huizhou, Anhui, Tianjin, Inner Mongolia, Switzerland, Korea, Taiwan, etc. Starting as a pioneer in the industry, he built an empire. In 2016, his company Biel Crystal ranked 68th and 23rd in Top 500 enterprises and Top 100 manufacturers, respectively, in Guangdong.

Mr Yeung has been an active participant in public service on the Mainland and Hong Kong. His many present public roles include being a member of the Huizhou Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, member of the Shenzhen Longgang District Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, Consultant of Heung Yee Kuk New Territories, member of the Board of Trustee of The Better Hong Kong Foundation, President of the Hong Kong Industrial and Commercial Association, Executive President of the Federation of Hong Kong Guangdong Community Organisations Limited, Executive Vice Chairman of the Happy Hong Kong Charity Foundation, and Vice Chairman of the Guangdong Association of Enterprises with Foreign Investment, among others. He was appointed a Justice of the Peace in 2016.

In addition, Mr Yeung received many awards including the Fifth Outstanding Corporate Social Responsibility Award, and was named Leader of the Year 2015, The Third Global Touch Industry Most Influential Enterprise Businessman in 2015 and Outstanding Entrepreneur of Guangdong.

Mr Yeung has been involved in many different kinds of charity works, which have contributed a great deal to society and the nation. He received the Huizhou Philanthropist Award for three consecutive years and was made an honorary citizen of Huizhou. In 2015, he donated HK\$200 million to CityU to support research and student exchange in veterinary medicine.