

It is our great pleasure to congratulate Dr. K.K. Ip for being selected as the Outstanding Entrepreneurship Award category winner of the prestigious Asia Pacific Entrepreneurship Awards 2011, Hong Kong! Over the years, Ip has demonstrated strong entrepreneurial spirit. Even under adverse situations and environment, he upholds the tenacity, perseverance and courage to continue innovating and making a difference; he never neglects the social responsibilities that come with business leadership.

Hong Kong born entrepreneur, Dr. K.K. Ip, Chairman and founder of GCA Professional Services Group Limited ("GCA" or "the Group"), is known as a "China expert" for his remarkable portfolio of projects and services. Ip has years of experience providing advisory services to "Red-Chip" and "H-share" companies in the PRC, in projects including real estate development and investment as well as fund raising by joint venture and initial public offerings.

Ip has a proven track record of asset appraisal and fund raising efforts through various channels and projects for clients mainly in Hong Kong and the PRC. His expertise and services encompass the Asia Pacific region as well as countries in Europe, South America and Africa. As a land economist and portfolio advisor, Ip has also assisted in the successful listing of the first ever Chinese REIT on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

With over ten years of entrepreneurship, Ip believes in 'people-orientation' as an important pre-requisite in becoming a successful entrepreneur as he always emphasises that "a great business is about more than just money". Growing from a 10-people start-up to a medium-sized enterprise of over 50 employees spanning across Hong Kong and other regional offices in the PRC, his philosophy has been that "people are the greatest asset". He invests in his people with a firm belief that solid industry knowledge, intimate client knowledge and enhanced market intelligence are the cornerstones of success in this new era of head-on competition.

The Group's subsidiary GreaterChina Professional Services Limited (Stock Code: 8193.HK) was successfully listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in May 2011. This not only put GCA at the forefront of the financial market as the listing of such business was the first of its kind, but also paved the way for Ip, Managing Director, to explore the boundaries of capacity and take the business to greater heights.