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HKEAA Received A-ATP 2025 Award for
Digital Transformation of Examinations and Assessment

The Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority (HKEAA) has been honoured with the Outstanding Transformational Project Award (the Award) from the Asia Association of Test Publishers (A-ATP) for its Digital Assessment Initiative (DAI) and Comprehensive Cloud Migration (CCM) project. This prestigious Award recognises the Authority's pioneering role in reshaping the assessment landscape in Asia.

The A-ATP 2025 Awards presentation ceremony was held yesterday (4 November) during the 2025 Annual Conference, which took place in Hong Kong from 2 to 4 November 2025. Prof Wei Xiang-dong, Secretary General of the HKEAA, received the Award during the ceremony. He remarked, ' In response to the Government's promotion of digital education, the Authority is dedicated to supporting this development by fostering innovation in assessment technologies. The Award recognises the Authority's strong commitment to embracing digital transformation. The DAI is not merely a technological upgrade; it represents a fundamental transformation in how we support students and educators, enhance the efficiency and quality of our examinations, and foster innovation. It has further strengthened the Authority's position at the forefront of digital assessment innovation.'

The Chief Executive announced the formation of the Steering Committee on Strategic Development of Digital Education in the 2024 Policy Address, with the aim of gathering collective wisdom and insights on promoting the digital transformation of school education in Hong Kong. By prioritising the digital transformation of examinations and assessments as a strategic development direction, the HKEAA launched the DAI in March 2024. This initiative aims to develop an enterprise-wide Digital Assessment System (DAS) to support a comprehensive, end-to-end digital assessment process across various examinations and assessments.

The DAS has replaced decades of paper-based assessments with digital processes to enhance efficiency and transform students' assessment experience in a secure and scalable manner. As part of the DAI, international and professional examinations, including the Putonghua Shuiping Ceshi, the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (HKICPA) examinations and various government examinations, have adopted the computer-based testing mode. Meanwhile, the parallel CCM project has successfully migrated key server-based applications to the cloud, enhancing cost efficiency, scalability, and resilience while ensuring data security and privacy. Moving forward, the HKEAA will continue to strategically allocate resources to further advance digital transformation and nurture talent development, thereby maintaining the high standards and competitiveness of our examination and assessment services.

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Prof Wei also delivered the opening keynote at the Conference on 3 November, sharing insights on 'Utilising Large-scale Public Examination Data to Inform Learning and Teaching', while Dr Madeline Xi, Director of Examinations, Assessment and Research, presented on 'The AI Ascent: Navigating Unique Challenges in the Asian Assessment Industry', offering forward-looking perspectives on how to effectively leverage large language models, combined with local innovation approaches, to develop truly groundbreaking educational AI tools.

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