



## Our Journey to New Financial Information System (FIS)

- ◆ We have embarked on a new FIS with the aim of better serving the University community.
- ◆ This e-Newsletter is to update you, as key stakeholders, on the project progress and seek your valuable input.



### FIS Project Background

- ◆ The new FIS allows us to catch up with technological advances in Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system.
- ◆ ERP helps us align with our sister institutions in supporting sophisticated resources planning, monitoring and reporting.
- ◆ The new FIS enables efficient and effective compliance with UGC's Cost Allocation Guidelines and other regulations.



### Our Package and Consultant

- ◆ Oracle's ERP packages are selected as they provide good functionalities which suit our long-term needs.
- ◆ We have engaged an experienced implementation consultant, Deloitte Advisory (Hong Kong) Limited.

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### Our Team

- ◆ A six-member Project Steering Committee (PSC), which is chaired by Vice-President (Administration) and Secretary, has been formed to oversee the project.
- ◆ A Project Working Team, with representatives from FO, ITO and EO, is working diligently with Deloitte on process re-engineering and system design of the new FIS.

## Major Benefits of New FIS

- ◆ **Enhanced Budgetary Information and Control** – Allow on-line real-time checking of funding position by users and offer flexible budgetary control functions at different levels
- ◆ **Improved Operational Transparency** – Provide on-line enquiry and multi-dimensional analysis functions with enriched information and flexibilities.
- ◆ **Automated Purchase Requisition (PR)** – Offer fully automated, efficient and paperless ePR with system approval hierarchy and alert emails to remind approvers to follow up outstanding approval items.

### Project Timeline and Current Progress

- ◆ The project started in September 2016 and is scheduled to complete by end-2018.
- ◆ Phase 1 on the core financial and procurement modules, and academic Timesheet System will go live by Jan 2018. Phase 2 on the Accounts Receivable module will go live by end-2018.
- ◆ We are now in the Analysis and Design stage. Your insights, requirements and inputs will make the system work and serve you better.



## WE TREASURE YOUR KIND SUPPORT!

You may express your views and comments on the new FIS through the following channels:

- ◆ **Focus Group Meetings** for nominated representatives from Faculties/Schools/AVA/Offices in late November
- ◆ **Town Hall Meetings** to broadcast project updates and receive feedback
- ◆ **User Trainings**
- ◆ **Dedicated email address** ([fosys@hkbu.edu.hk](mailto:fosys@hkbu.edu.hk)) for collecting questions or suggestions
- ◆ **Project Working Team and Consultant** to follow up inputs on FIS. Please contact us if you have any question:
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