



Hong Kong Scholar Wins WMO Research Award for Young Scientists for the First Time

Editorial Board

On 1 September, Mr SHUN Chi-ming, Director of the Hong Kong Observatory, presented the United Nations' World Meteorological Organization (WMO) Research Award for Young Scientists 2015 on behalf of WMO to Professor TAI Pui-kuen of the Earth System Science Programme of the Chinese University of Hong Kong. Professor TAI is the first Hong Kong scientist to receive the accolade.

Professor TAI remarked, "I wish to thank members of my research team and my collaborating partners for their great work and support over the years. I would also like to express my sincere thanks to the Hong Kong Observatory, through which the nomination to WMO was successfully made. We will strive to continue our studies on the consequences of global environmental change, such that policy makers can be better informed to formulate optimal strategies for a sustainable future."



Official Launch of

"Weather Information for Astronomical Observation" Webpage

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As joint effort of the Hong Kong Observatory, the Hong Kong Space Museum and the Department of Physics of the University of Hong Kong, the "Weather Information for Astronomical Observation" webpage is officially in service. Over the past few months, the webpage has provided useful weather information to members of the public watching the Perseid Meteor Shower associated with Comet Swift-Tuttle as well as the "Super Moon" at Mid-Autumn Festival. Next time before you set off in search of the stars, remember to visit the webpage for the latest weather conditions at astronomical observation hot spots in Hong Kong.



HUI Tai-wai, Scientific Officer of the Hong Kong Observatory (left), Dr SO Chu-wing, Physics Project Manager of the University of Hong Kong (centre) and HO Man-hung, Assistant Curator of the Hong Kong Space Museum (right), introduces the "Weather Information for Astronomical Observation" webpage. (Photo courtesy of AM730)



Joint Initiative with Earthquake Administration of Guangdong Province to Set up Temporary Seismograph Stations

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As part of the collaboration project on "Land-sea Deployment for 3-D Seismic Tomography Survey in the Pearl River Estuary Region", staff members of the Hong Kong Observatory and the Earthquake Administration of Guangdong Province set up five temporary seismograph stations in the wilderness in just two days and conducted measurement work for almost a month.

Teamworks

At around noon on 3 June, Wong Wai-kwong (front), Scientific Assistant of the Observatory and CHEN Jiantao (back), engineer of the Earthquake Administration of Guangdong Province, along with other team members arrived at the pier of the Wong Wan Chau Adventure Base to select sites and set up mobile seismograph stations on the island.



Laughing in the Sun

On the afternoon of 4 June, Scientific Officer HUI Tai-wai photographed with Senior Engineer LIN Wei at Tai Shui Hang (Wu Lei Kiu) to declare the completion of the mobile seismograph station (blue box behind them).

