

Award Scheme for Learning Experiences under Qualifications Framework opens for application

The 2020-21 Award Scheme for Learning Experiences under the Qualifications Framework (QF) will be open for application from today (March 20) until May 29. Practitioners from 23 industries implementing the QF (see Annex) are welcome to apply.

Two new slogans, "Achieve One's Goal Step by Step" and "Broaden One's Horizon to Achieve Goal", are being used for this year's Award Scheme. These slogans tie in with the objectives of the Award Scheme for encouraging outstanding or emerging practitioners to engage in learning activities held locally or around the world with a view to broadening their horizons, keeping abreast of the latest developments of the industry and extending networks. Through participating in the Award Scheme, practitioners can achieve their personal and career goals.

A spokesman for the Education Bureau said that the Award Scheme was launched in 2013-14. In the past seven years, the Award Scheme attracted more than 1 400 applicants from different industries, of which over 420 were awarded. More than 60 per cent of the awardees participated in overseas learning activities, while some 30 per cent were engaged in local learning activities. The Award Scheme helped reinforce practitioners' conviction on lifelong learning. Through pursuit of continuous learning, they are able to upgrade themselves, become role models for their respective industries and help promote the QF.

The spokesman added that the learning activities in which practitioners can participate under the Award Scheme include competitions, seminars, sharing sessions and study tours. Awardees engaging in local learning activities will receive an award of \$10,000 while those engaging in learning activities outside Hong Kong will receive an award of \$30,000. Applicants may visit the website www.hkqf.gov.hk/AwardScheme for more details of the Award Scheme.