SCOLAR invites proposals

The following is issued on behalf of the Standing Committee on Language Education and Research:

The Standing Committee on Language Education and Research (SCOLAR) is inviting eligible local organisations/institutions to submit proposals for one or more of the following projects. All of the projects are supported by the Language Fund.

(1) Promotion of Chinese 2019/20 and 2020/21

Locally registered organisations are invited to organise innovative and educational activities to arouse local primary and secondary students' interest in reading and writing in Chinese and enhance their proficiency in writing through extensive reading.

(2) Promotion of Putonghua 2019/20 and 2020/21

Locally registered organisations are invited to organise innovative and educational activities with a view to enriching the language learning environment and enhancing the Putonghua proficiency of students and the general public.

(3) Programmes on Supporting Non-Chinese Speakers in Learning Chinese for 2019/20 and 2020/21 (eligible local organisations may submit proposals for one or more items)

• District-based Project on Supporting Non-Chinese Speaking (NCS) Children in Learning Chinese

Local non-profit-making organisations are invited to organise fun and educational programmes on the theme of "Learning Chinese in a Fun and Leisurely Way" to support NCS children in learning the Chinese language.

• Vocational Chinese Language Programme for NCS School Leavers

Local post-secondary, educational or training organisations are invited to develop and operate vocational Chinese language courses pegged at Level 1 or 2 of the Qualifications Framework for NCS school leavers. These courses should aim at building participants' competence and confidence in using Chinese, thus enhancing their employability.

• Project for Developing and Promoting Chinese Learning and Teaching Materials for Non-Chinese Speakers in Hong Kong

Local educational, research, publishing and training organisations are invited to develop and/or promote learning and teaching materials to enhance the effectiveness in teaching Chinese to non-Chinese speakers and to provide them with self-learning tools in learning Chinese.

(4) Sponsorship Projects 2019/20

Locally registered organisations are invited to organise languagerelated event- or competition-based projects in the community, thereby enriching the language environment of Hong Kong.

Organisations/institutions interested in submitting proposals are requested to send them to SCOLAR by noon on January 21, 2019.

Details are available at the SCOLAR webpage: <u>www.language-education.com</u>.