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AIUTA Asia International Conference 2025

Theme: Lifelong Learning for Older Adults in the Digital Age

1 - 2 Apr
2025

Conference Focus

With a regional focus on the Asia-Pacific Region, this conference explores the adoption of technology to promote active ageing and seniors learning in China and Hong Kong (HK). Both societies are undergoing rapid demographic transition to “aged societies” where the importance of keeping seniors in good health and actively engaged with the community through lifelong learning have become government policy priorities. Against this backdrop, learning to use mobile applications and health technology for the elderly has injected a new vigor into programming for seniors. The conceptualization of the ageing process has also received new inspiration through redefining the life course as “The 100-year Life” (Gratton and Scott, 2016) and which calls for individuals to be equipped with “Longevity Literacy” (WEF and Mercer, 2023).

Why Hong Kong?

As Asia’s World City, the HK Special Administrative Region aims to serve as a super connector for China to the rest of the world. HK is a super-aged society (21% of its population is above 65 years of age) which makes the hosting of this conference all the more relevant. This conference will complement the series of past AIUTA conferences held in APAC including Shanghai (2004 & 2019), Osaka (2016) and Guangzhou (2013) to make AIUTA and the “University of the 3rd Age Movement” felt strongly in the APAC region.



More Details



Conference Theme & Related Topics

Theme:
**Lifelong Learning for
Older Adults in the Digital Age**

Key Topics to be Covered:

**Demographic
Changes Impacting on
Older Adults' Learning**

**Intergenerational
Learning**

**Stakeholders' Roles in
Promoting Lifelong
Learning for Older Adults**

**Use of Technology in
Older Adults Learning**

Invited Speakers

Plenary



Ms. Fan Xianrui

Vice President of The Open University of China,
Beijing



Prof. Liu Wenqing

President of Guangdong Open University,
Guangzhou

Keynote



Dr. Lee Byung-ho

Ajou University,
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Prof. Li Jiacheng

Executive Vice-President of East China Normal University
Shanghai Municipal Institute for Lifelong Education



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