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The Law Society of Hong Kong launched "Teen Talk" Legal Scenario Play Competition

Attracts over 125 teams of secondary school students from 18 districts Encouraging analytical thinking and enhance awareness of public affairs and Legal Issues

(Hong Kong, 7 November 2015) Celebrating its sixth anniversary this year, the "**Teen Talk**" presented by The Law Society of Hong Kong aims to enrich the legal knowledge of young people through discussions and sharing, encouraging them to analyze law-related social issues from different perspectives. Under the theme of "**Decoding Privacy**", the programme kicked off with the "**Legal Scenario Play Competition**" held on 1 and 7 November, which attracted over 600 Forms four to six students from over 80 schools in 18 districts.

Mr. Nick Chan, Council Member of The Law Society of Hong Kong and Chairman of "Teen Talk 2015" Organizing Committee, said, "Teen Talk has been well received by teachers and students, and we are pleased to see that the number of participating schools hits a new high this year with 125 teams from 18 districts. Evolving from the previous all-day forum to a combined format with both physical and sedentary elements for this year's programme, we hope the participants will enjoy the "Legal Scenario Play Competition" and the "Teen Talk Legal Knowledge Orienteering Race". The former required students to reflect on various real-life scenarios designed by the Organizing Committee, including internet security, cyber-bullying, privacy issues, civil and criminal cases. Students actively expressed their views from the perspectives of different stakeholders and listened patiently to the others. We were deeply impressed by their overall performance."

He added, "The popularity of social media and smartphone applications may compromise the security of personal data, which young people is seldom aware of and thus not know how to protect their privacy. In the view of this, "Teen Talk 2015" adopted the theme of 'Decoding Privacy' to address the misunderstandings of young people on privacy and legal issues through discussions, and to remind them of the vulnerability of cyber space. We also want to enhance their awareness of public affairs and legal issues, and encourage them to apply what they have learnt to protect themselves and the others."

The panel judges of the "Legal Scenario Play Competition", included Dr. Chan Cheuk-Hay, Member of the Committee on the Promotion of Civic Education, Ms. Cindy Chan, Legal Counsel of the Office of the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data, Mr. Junius Ho, Past President and Council Member of The Law Society of Hong Kong, Mr. Fred Kan, Founding Chairman of "Teen Talk", Ms. Nancy Leung, Vice Chairman of the "Law Week" Organizing Committee and ex-District Magistrate, and Mr. Nick Chan, Chairman of "Teen Talk 2015" Organizing Committee and Council Member of The Law Society of Hong Kong. 50 school teams that got promoted from round 1 will be competing in the "Teen Talk Legal Knowledge Orienteering Race" to be held at Central and Western District Promenade (Central Section) on 28 November. The participants will be guided by 50 members of The Law Society of Hong Kong to complete various tasks with their legal knowledge in the great outdoors where the sky is the limit!



About "Teen Talk"

"Teen Talk" is a "teach-in" forum originated from universities in the US in the 1960s. At that time, the Vietnam War was raising a lot of concerns and issues in the American society. University students would gather and discuss these social issues and current affairs of the States, hence developing the "teach-in" forum. The characteristic of a "teach-in" is a free and open forum, in which all participants are encouraged the express their views.

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Captions:

1. Mr. Nick Chan, Council Member of The Law Society of Hong Kong and Chairman of "Teen Talk 2015" Organizing Committee, was impressed by the brilliant performance of the participants this year, and was pleased to learn that the number of participating schools reached its record high of over 80.



2. Students were guided by members of The Law Society of Hong Kong to discuss privacy- and law-related real-life scenarios.





3. The students actively expressed their views on various scenarios from the perspectives of different stakeholders, impressing the panel judges with their performance.



4. "Teen Talk 2015" offers a valuable platform for local secondary school students to enrich their legal knowledge and exchange ideas with their peers.

