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## The Role of Quality Assurance to Support Hong Kong as a Learning City

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## Post-secondary education

Publicly-funded  
institutions

**9** publicly-funded universities/institution: CityU, HKBU, LU, CUHK, EdUHK, PolyU, HKUST, HKU, HKAPA

Self-financing  
institutions

**35** self-financing higher education institutions offering sub-degree, bachelor's degree and top-up degree programmes (including 4 VTC institutions: SHAPE, THEi, IVE, HKDI)

Non-local higher  
and professional  
education courses

**1,150** non-local higher and professional education courses registered or exempted under Cap 493

## Other continuous education and training

Vocational  
programmes

Diploma Yi Jin  
programmes

Other continuous  
learning programmes



# Quality Assurance System in Hong Kong

## HKCAAVQ

Hong Kong Council for  
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### Self-financed institutions

- Senior year intake and top-up degree
- Degree or above
- Sub-degree



### Self-financing operations of the UGC funded institutions

- Non-local programmes

## QAC of UGC

Quality Assurance  
Council of the University Grants  
Committee



### UGC funded institutions & their self-financing operations

- Senior year intake and top-up degree
- Degree or above
- Sub-degree





# Core Services of HKCAAVQ

## ACCREDITATION



- Academic programmes
- Vocational programmes
- Non-local programmes

## ASSESSMENT



- Individual qualifications
- Non-local courses
- CPD (IA) courses
- CEF courses

## TRAINING



- Regular Training Activities
- Workshop on Development and Accreditation of SCS-based Programmes
- Tailor-made in-house training
- Workshop on NLP accreditation

## QUALIFICATIONS REGISTER



- Information on all Qualifications Framework - recognised qualifications



# Accreditation Authority

## Functions

- To develop and implement the standards and mechanism for academic or vocational accreditations
- To determine whether a qualification from a learning programme offered by a non-self-accrediting operator can meet a certain QF standard
- To determine whether an assessment agency is competent to perform assessments under the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) scheme



# QR Authority

## Function

- To develop and maintain the Qualifications Register (QR)

## Power

- To determine the entry or removal of a qualification onto/from the QR
- To ensure and enhancing the credibility of the QR structure
- To monitor advertisements relating to the QF



# Qualifications Framework (HKQF)

- The Hong Kong Qualifications Framework (HKQF) is a 7-level hierarchy covering qualifications in the academic, vocational and continuing education
- Qualifications recognised under HKQF are quality-assured and level-rated in accordance with objective and well-defined standards
- QF aim to promote lifelong learning with the objective of enhancing competitiveness of the local workforce



# Qualifications Register (QR)

- A free for access on-line database of qualifications that provides information on qualifications, the associated programmes and providers
- Cover qualifications of academic, vocational and continuing education sectors, as well as non-local qualifications
- All qualifications listed on the QR are quality-assured and recognised under the Hong Kong Qualifications Framework (QF)
- As of Oct 2016, there are 7,853 qualifications published on the QR offered by 239 operators

[www.hkqr.gov.hk](http://www.hkqr.gov.hk)

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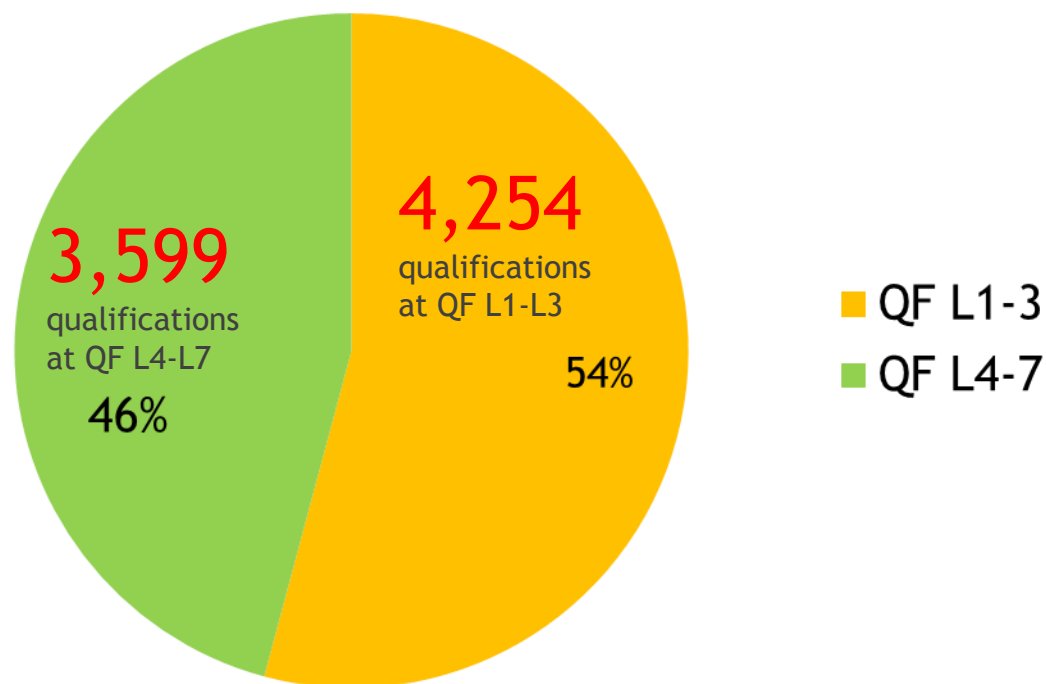
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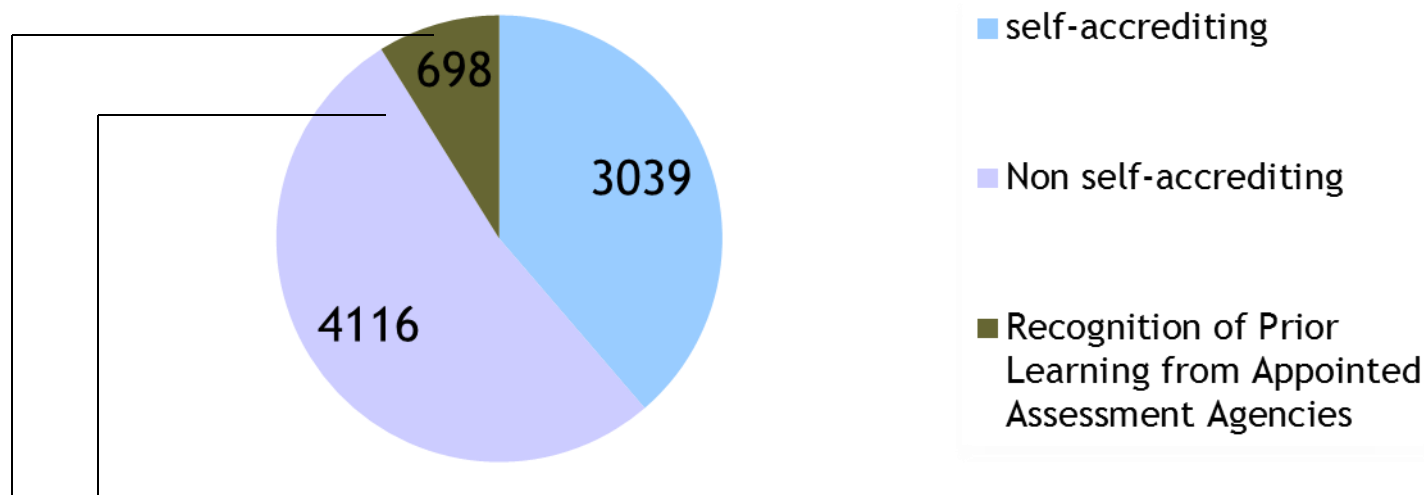


## Number of qualifications on QR by QF Level





## Qualifications on QR as of October 2016



**4,814** qualifications of a wide range of disciplines at different QF levels are quality-assured by **HKCAAVQ**



# Summary accreditation reports

- HKCAAVQ publishes summary accreditation reports on its website for public access
- Number of reports published online: 512
- Accumulated page views: 14,709

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### SUMMARY ACCREDITATION REPORTS

Summary accreditation reports for Initial Evaluation (IE) and Learning Programme Accreditation (LPA) (previously known as "Programme Validation") of all local programmes (except for purely in-house training) with contracts signed on or after 1 March 2013 are published for public access on this website.

The summary reports are direct extracts from the full accreditation reports. They contain assessment of operators / programmes against relevant criteria and standards as well as the HKCAAVQ determination, any requirements and the approved enrolment and validity period. While most reports contain recommendations made by the Panels for continuous improvement, some reports also contain requirements, which are part of the accreditation determination and are to be fulfilled by the operators by specified deadlines during the validity period. For information about the operators and their programmes, please refer to the individual operator's website.

The HKCAAVQ publishes the summaries and occasionally we review the publication and use of reports by the public and make necessary improvement. The summaries are listed in date order in the table below and can be searched by name of operator. A complete listing of all programmes and their QF levels are available on the Qualifications Register.

Search

2016	2015	2014	2013
Publishing Date	Title of Report	Operator	
07 Nov 2016	▶ Initial Evaluation	Asia-Pacific Aromatherapy Limited	
20 Oct 2016	▶ Learning Programme Accreditation of Bachelor of Social Work (Honours)	Caritas Institute of Higher Education	
12 Oct 2016	▶ Learning Programme Accreditation: Diploma in Fashion Creation Technology Diploma in Fashion Product Development	Clothing Industry Training Authority	
11 Oct 2016	▶ Learning Programme Accreditation of Bachelor of Social Sciences (Hons) in Social Development Studies (Social Innovation and the Environment)	HKCT Institute of Higher Education	
07 Oct 2016	▶ Initial Evaluation Learning Programme Accreditation of Certificate in Advanced English Language Examination Skills Learning Programme Re-accreditation of Certificate in English Language Examination Skills	Wall Street English	
07 Oct 2016	▶ Learning Programme Accreditation of Certificate of IELTS Exam Preparation	Beacon (Evening) College (Mong Kok)	
21 Sep 2016	▶ Learning Programme Re-Accreditation of Certificate in Professional Make Up Artist	Elite Makeup	



# Concluding Statements

1. Hong Kong quality assurance approaches ensure quality of a diverse education sector:
  - a. Local publicly-funded universities and their self-financed arms
  - b. Self-financed local operators and their programmes
  - c. Non-local operators and their programmes
  - d. A range of qualifications
2. HKQR provides easy access to information about qualifications and education pathways
3. Vast majority of qualifications in Hong Kong are quality-assured
4. HKCAAVQ accreditation focuses on minimum standards and institutions' ability to continuously improve



# Q & A



# Thank You

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