Articles of Alliance

1. Name

The name of this Association is: "International Alliance for Invitational Education (Hong Kong)", [IAIE(HK)].

2. Statement of Principles

The Alliance holds as its fundamental precepts the following ideals:

- 2.1 We see all people as able, valuable, and responsible
- 2.2 We value cooperation and collaboration
- 2.3 We view process as product in the making
- 2.4 We are committed to developing *untapped possibilities* in all worthwhile areas of human endeavor.

3. Purpose of the Alliance

3.1 Mission Statement

Our mission is to enhance life-long learning, cultivate personal and professional growth and satisfaction of educators and allied professionals, promote positive changes in organizations, and enrich the lives of human beings personally and professionally.

3.2 Objective

- 3.2.1 Promote Invitational Education and enhance the quality of Hong Kong education.
- 3.2.2 Facilitate connections between local and foreign educators and educational organizations.

4. Structure and Function

- 4.1 The Alliance is a non-profit making organization.
- 4.2 Annual General Meeting for Members

The Executive Council should convene a meeting for members annually to pass the reports on its work and finance, conduct election and discuss any other matters. Quorum of the Annual General Meeting is either one fifth of total membership or thirty members.

4.3 Extra-ordinary General Meeting for Members

In the event of emergency, the Executive Council may convene Extra-ordinary General Meetings for Members to handle matters that the Executive Council regards as requiring consideration/voting by members.

4.4 Executive Council

4.4.1 The Executive Council may consist of at least five executive

- members. The offices are: a chairperson, a vice chairperson, a treasurer, a secretary and one or more executive members.
- 4.4.2 All executive members serve the Alliance on a voluntary basis. They are elected in the Meeting for Members for a term of two years. Executive Members may serve consecutive terms if they are being elected.
- 4.4.3 In the event of vacancies in the offices, such vacancies are to be filled through appointments by the Executive Council.

5. Membership

5.1 Qualification of Membership

- 5.1.1 Honorary Advisor: The Executive Council may invite local and foreign educators to be Honorary Advisor(s) of the Alliance;
- 5.1.2 Institutional Membership: Any local educational institution may apply for Institutional Membership;
- 5.1.3 Individual Membership: educators who are presently working in Hong Kong or persons who share the ideals of Invitational Education may apply for Individual Membership.

5.2 Obligations and Rights

Institutional Members and Individual Members are required to pay membership fee and observe the Articles of the Alliance. They also enjoy the right to vote, to elect and to be elected in Meetings for Members.

6. Finance

The Alliance may maintain bank accounts. To be effective, instruments require the signature of any two of the following four executive members: Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer of the Alliance.

7. Dissolution

The dissolution of the Alliance should be resolved in the Annual General Meeting for Members or Extra-ordinary General Meeting for Members and passed by three quarters majority of votes of members present.

8. Amendment

Any amendments to these Articles of Alliance shall only be effective if they are passed in the Annual General Meeting for Members or Extra-ordinary General Meeting for Members and approved by the Society Registry Office.