# QUESTIONNAIRE ON ACCEPTANCE OF MAINLAND ACCOUNTING AND AUDITING STANDARDS AND MAINLAND AUDIT FIRMS FOR MAINLAND INCORPORATED COMPANIES LISTED IN HONG KONG

We invite interested parties to respond to the Consultation Paper on Acceptance of Mainland Accounting and Auditing Standards and Mainland Audit Firms for Mainland Incorporated Companies Listed in Hong Kong, which can be downloaded from the HKEx website at http://www.hkex.com.hk/consul/paper/cp200908 e.pdf.

This Questionnaire contains the Personal Information Collection and Privacy Policy Statement; Part A: General Information of Respondents; and Part B: Consultation Questions.

All responses should be made in writing by completing and returning to HKEx both Part A and Part B of this Questionnaire no later than **23 October 2009** by one of the following methods:

By mail or hand delivery to

Corporate Communications Department Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited 12th Floor, One International Finance Centre

1 Harbour View Street

Central Hong Kong

Re: Consultation Paper on Acceptance of Mainland Accounting and Auditing Standards and Mainland Audit Firms for Mainland Incorporated Companies Listed in Hong Kong

By fax to

(852) 2524-0149

By e-mail to

response@hkex.com.hk

Please mark in the subject line:

"Re: Consultation Paper on Acceptance of Mainland Accounting and Auditing Standards and Mainland Audit Firms for Mainland Incorporated Companies Listed in Hong Kong"

Our submission enquiry number is (852) 2840-3844.

The name of persons who submit comments together with the whole or part of their submissions may be disclosed to members of the public. If you do not wish your name to be published please indicate so in Part A.

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By email to: pdpo@hkex.com.hk

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## Part A General Information of the Respondent

All fields are mandatory, except the fields with an asterisk (\*) if you are an individual respondent.

Name / Company Name*	•	The Hong Kong Society of Financial Analysts (HKSFA)
Contact Person:*	:	Mr. Karl Lung CFA
Title*	:	President
Phone Number	:	
E-mail Address	:	

If you do not wish to disclose the above information to the public, please check the box here:

I do not wish to disclose the information above.

### Part B Consultation Questions

Do you agree with the proposed framework?

periods beginning on or after 1 January 2010?

1.

2.

Yes.

No.

Please indicate your preference by checking the appropriate boxes. Please make your comments by replying to questions below against proposed changes discussed in the Consultation Paper at the hyperlink: <a href="http://www.hkex.com.hk/consul/paper/cp200908">http://www.hkex.com.hk/consul/paper/cp200908</a> e.pdf.

Where there is insufficient space provided for your comments, please attach additional pages.

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$\boxtimes$	Yes.
	No.
Plea	ase state the reasons for your views.
	efficient way of financial reporting could be anticipated by preparing financial
sta	tements under one standard. Sufficient check and balance should be in place where
sur	pervisory bodies both in Hong Kong and the Mainland China will police for quality
of.	statutory auditors.
Īny	estors are going to be well protected with one single standard consistently applied.
Ca	pital markets from both sides will have an equal starting point in valuing a listed
cor	mpany; resulting in a more efficient market and efficient resources allocation.
As	far as possible, the accounting standards between the Mainland China and Hong
Ko	ng should be converged.
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If th	ne proposed framework is adopted, do you agree that the effective commencement

date for the new rules should be 1 January 2010 and should apply to annual accounting

Please state the reasons for your views.

It is better to be at least 2 years transition period for the change of auditors, if any.

Supervisory bodies also need to prepare for the supervision framework.

	Quarterly reporting on Mainland listed companies will become available to Hong Kong
	investors as to be presented in the standardised accouting practice. Savings in auditing
	resources and more efficient use of auditing resources will be seen
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1	Do you have any other comments or suggestions or alternative approaches?
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	Yes.
	No.
	Please state the reasons for your views.