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Professor Frederick Ho is an Honorary Professor of the Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science of the University of Hong Kong and an Adjunct Professor of the Department of Statistics of the Chinese University. He is a Statistics Adviser of the National Statistics Bureau of the People's Republic of China, assisting it in its adoption of international standards and enhancement of communication with the international statistical community.

Prof. Ho served in the Government for 39 years, of which 33 years was in the Census and Statistics Department. He was the Commissioner of the Department from 1992 to 2005. He has held a number of international positions, including Chairman of the United Nations Asia and Pacific Committee on Statistics and Vice-President of the International Association for Official Statistics, which made him renowned in the international arena for his statistical expertise.

Under his leadership as the Commissioner, Census and Statistics Department vigorously promoted public understanding and confidence in statistics, especially literacy in population statistics, pricing statistics and sample surveys. Citizens were also encouraged and facilitated to recognize public issues behind the statistics.

Apart from undertaking some teaching work at the Universities, he currently serves as occasional project consultant in international bodies like United Nations and Asian Development Bank. He is Chairman of the Hong Kong PHAB Association, which works on integration of physically handicapped and able-bodied persons. He is also on the Executive Committees of the Hong Kong Association for the Advancement of Science and Technology and the Hong Kong Council of Professional Associations. Prof. Ho was awarded Silver Bauhinia Star by the Government of the HKSAR in 2006.