



## *Message from*

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Whether you are running a business, managing a team, or engaging in sports; leadership skills are important. Some people seem to be born knowing how to inspire and lead, but for most of us it doesn't come that naturally.

Leadership isn't a magical gift but a set of skills that you can acquire and practice. It may come more easily to some than to others, but it is within all of our reach. You just have to want it, be willing to work hard and dare to take risks.

At the start of JCI movement in 1915, a visionary and our founder Henry Giessenbier envisaged an organization that would provide development opportunities for young people by creating leadership positions at every level for an one-year term. This vision come to life has inspired millions of young people all around the world and continues to nurture many reputable leaders to the present day.

Nowadays, our world is changing at an unprecedented pace. Are the changes that happen every day for the better or worse? How can we maintain the dominant decision-making power in our lives? As JCI leaders we develop our members to move from ordinary to extraordinary, to be leaders and to advance sustainable impact.

2020 is a special year for JCI Hong Kong as we are celebrating our 70th Anniversary. It is a golden time for us to connect and appreciate our members for their contribution over the years including serving in various leadership roles to work for a better community. This year we will accelerate the development of members and local chapters under the theme of "LEAD, CONNECT, ACHIEVE". We will focus on the advancement of governance in both the National and Local levels in JCI Hong Kong to empower more young people to become local leaders and fulfil the JCI Mission. We subscribe to the belief that it is only when we well equip ourselves that we can truly begin to change the world around us.

Let's join hands together to build a better future, and together, let's "LEAD, CONNECT, ACHIEVE".

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