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Biography:

T.C. Edwin Cheng is Dean of the Faculty of Business, Fung Yiu King - Wing Hang Bank Professor in Business Administration, and Chair Professor of Management at The Hong Kong Polytechnic University. He was Siyuan Chair Professor at Nanjing University (2008-2011) and Changjiang Scholars Chair Professor at Beijing University of Post and Telecommunications (2009-2012) in China, and is currently Honorary Chair Professor at National Chiao Tung University in Taiwan (2010-2016). He obtained a B.Sc.[Eng] (first class honors) from the University of Hong Kong; an M.Sc. from the University of Birmingham, U.K.; and a Ph.D. and an Sc.D. from the University of Cambridge, U.K. He has previously taught in Canada, England, and Singapore.

Prof. Cheng's expertise is applying Systems and Cybernetics Sciences methodologies to address business and management issues. An internationally known scholar and a prolific researcher, Prof. Cheng has published over 600 papers in SCI and SSCI journals. He has co-authored 14 books published by Chapman and Hall, McGraw-Hill, and Springer. He is consulting editor/editor/associate editor or editorial board member of a dozen international journals.

Prof. Cheng received the Outstanding Young Engineer of the Year Award from the Institute of Industrial and Systems Engineers, U.S.A., in 1992 and the Croucher Award (the top research award in Hong Kong) in 2001. He was bestowed the Education Leadership Award by the World Education Congress of CMO Asia in 2014. A 2015 paper in the *International Journal of Production Research* rated him as the most prolific author in Operations Management research in the world over the period 1985-2010.

He was named one of the "most cited scientists" (top 1% in terms of citation count) in All Fields, in Business and Economics, in Computer Science, and in Engineering over the period 2006-2016 by the *ISI Web of Science* in 2016. According to *Google Scholar*, he has received over 24,000 citations and his *h-index* is 75. According to the *ISI Web of Science*, he has received over 11,000 citations and his *h-index* is 52.

A professional engineer and a seasoned management consultant, Prof. Cheng regularly advises business, industry, and government, and provides management training and executive development to public and private organizations. Over the years, Prof. Cheng has secured more than US\$5 million in research funding from both public and private sectors to support his diverse research programmes.