



Letter of Recommendation

April 8, 2025

To the Selection Committee of The Hong Kong Laureate Forum,

I am pleased to recommend Mr. Jiwon Rho, who is applying to participate in The Hong Kong Laureate Forum (HKLF) 2025. I have known Mr. Rho since he enrolled in my course at Hanyang University in 2016, where he consistently demonstrated academic excellence and exceptional maturity.

Throughout my courses, including Introduction to Industrial Engineering (2016), Career Development II (Portfolio and Business Model Creation, 2019), and most recently, Quality Management and Network & Inventory Strategy (2024), Jiwon consistently earned top grades, demonstrating deep academic insight and practical application. Notably, during 2024, he remarkably balanced full-time employment responsibilities while achieving perfect academic performance across 23 credits. His practical experience at a manufacturing technology startup, where he was deeply involved in commercialization and business strategy, enriched his academic assignments and exams, reflecting profound integration of theoretical knowledge with real-world practices.

Jiwon's vision to amplify technology's real-world impact resonates deeply within his actions. His clear strategic planning and proactive approach to realizing his ambitious goals have been consistently impressive. Given his track record of effectively commercializing advanced technologies and his plans to further expand his academic and professional horizons, I am confident that his participation at HKLF will greatly contribute to both his personal growth and the forum's intellectual vibrancy. Furthermore, Jiwon's extensive industry experience and international business acumen will foster meaningful dialogues and collaboration opportunities among participants, significantly enhancing the interdisciplinary and multicultural exchanges at the forum.

In summary, I strongly endorse Jiwon's candidacy for the HKLF 2025 and ensure that he definitely possesses the academic foundation, professional maturity, and forward-thinking vision to significantly enrich the forum.

Sincerely,

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