

## **Update on COVID-19 (25 Feb 2020)**

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Dear Members of HKUST,

In view of the health risks arising from the COVID-19 outbreak in Korea, the Hong Kong SAR Government issued a Red Outbound Travel Alert on the country on 24 February 2020, and imposed entry restriction on non-Hong Kong residents coming from Korea beginning 6 am today. Following this latest Government announcement, the University would like to draw your attention to the following:

1. All official outbound activities to Korea should be suspended until further notice. Members should adjust their travel plans to avoid non-essential travel to Korea.
2. Members who are now in Korea should inform respective departments and offices and keep them updated of their situation. Respective departments and offices may get in touch with their members in Korea to offer necessary advice and assistance.
3. For members who had been in Korea in the last 14 days, they should:
  - Stay at home as much as possible, and avoid close contact with people; put
  - on a face mask when going out, and avoid crowded places
  - pay attention to their health condition, check body temperature daily, and seek medical advice at once if experiencing a fever or respiratory symptoms;
  - follow advice of Department of Health if they are issued a notification of medical surveillance

Based on the development of the virus outbreak, the Government may update the outbound travel alert and other measures from time to time. The University will adopt similar arrangements in accordance with Government's advice, all members are urged to stay alert and check relevant information regularly. The updated information on Outbound Travel Alert can be viewed at <https://www.sb.gov.hk/eng/ota/>. The latest Government press release related to Covid-19 can be found at [https://www.coronavirus.gov.hk/eng/press\\_release.html](https://www.coronavirus.gov.hk/eng/press_release.html)

In case you have any questions or need assistance, please contact HSEO at [safety@ust.hk](mailto:safety@ust.hk).

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