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Telecommuting: A Solution for Hong Kong?

Telecommuting and its applicability to Hong Kong will be the subject of the fourth Forum on Information Technology Management held at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology on 2 July (Saturday), 1994.

With the rapid proliferation of computers, fax machines, cellular phones, and other telecommunications technology, an increasing number of professionals are working outside their office, either at home or at regional telecommuting centres. An estimated 5.5 million professionals telecommuted in the United States in 1991, and that number is expected to double by 1995.

Telecommuting is now regarded by many as a springboard for re-engineering how work is done. Experiences in the United States, Japan, the United Kingdom, and elsewhere have suggested that the principle of telework can be usefully applied in many different settings.

Speaking at the forum will be Dr. Tung Bui of HKUST, Mr. Francis Lai of Cathay Pacific Airways, Mr. Hiroshi Takagi of Fujitsu Kyushu Communication Systems and Dr. John Kwok Ching Kwong of Kwong Wah Hospital. They will report their experiences with on-going telework projects. The subsequent discussion session will be moderated by Dr. Herbert Chang of AT&T Asia/Pacific.

The forum will be conducted in English. Attendance is free of charge but registration is required due to limited space. For information, inquiries and registration, please telephone 358-7633 or fax 358 2421.

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