

Italian Wine Dinner 18 April 2008

~ Dr. TSE Hung Hing, Chairman, House Committee



This is the first wine dinner of the year 2008. As usual, we have the support from our wine lovers of the Association. The main theme of this gathering, as the name suggested, is some very fine and value for money Italian wines. This time, we have Mr. Steve Wong from the Vinochase Ltd. providing us with the unlimited supply of wine for the night, as a very reasonable cost.

Like always, our Central clubhouse was responsible for the food, which was a very nice Chinese banquet serving the various delicious Chinese dishes. The evening began with a white wine from Veneto 2006. This wine is blended with two types of grapes, the Garganega, which is the native grape of Veneto, and Chardonnay. It was very well supported. The second wine was a red wine also from Veneto, of the year 2005. It has a good wine body and very well balanced, and is good for consumption right after opening. Starting from this wine, the atmosphere of the night really kicked off.

The third wine was a 2004 Tuscany red. It has a fruity structure and a full body. This wine has a potential for ageing. The last, and also the most popular wine of the night, was of course the Barolo. Barolo is one of many to claim the title "Wine

of kings,
and king of
wines".

This wine is from the region of Piemonte, from the Nebbiolo grape variety. This wine pushed the atmosphere of the night to its highest. As usual, we have the lucky draw with prizes sponsored from the wine supplier. We have the honour of our Vice President, Dr. Louis SHIH and our Council Member Dr. WONG Bun Lap Bernard to do the lucky draw for us. Everyone had a joyful evening.



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Progress of the TaoYuan Project — project developer selected

~ Dr. HO Chung Ping, Chairman, TaoYuan Project Team

The development of the TaoYuan project was progressing smoothly. With the help from members of the Health Informatics club, the technical details of the clinic software was drawn up. It was included in the request for quotation (RFQ) document for open tender. As on the tender closing date on April 9, a total of 7 quotations were received.

Six short-listed bidders were invited to give a presentation in the selection interview on April 16, 2008. Members of the selection committee include Dr. CP HO, Dr. David WONG, Dr. Golden WONG, Mr. Carl YAU (ISIA), Mr. PL CHAU (ISIA) and Mr. Dio LAM (ISIA).



The Selection Panel

A follow-up meeting was held in the evening April 19 and was attended by 9 project team members of the TaoYuan Project. Three bidders were found to be very good and after very detailed discussion, the Mobigator (H.K.) Limited was selected as the project developer.

The Steering committee will hold a meeting on 7 May, 2008 with the project developer to brief the team of the requirement of the software and introduce the members of the HKMA Health Informatics team to the vendor.



Representatives of Mobigator (H.K.) Limited giving their presentation during the interview

Our clinic management software is the first Open Source clinic management software in Hong Kong. Since the trend in the medical development is for information exchange and since different new initiatives are currently underway in different sectors, the Open Source would be the best approach. With the Open Source code, continuous improvement and development are possible to meet the future needs. However, due to the limited experience, we would expect many obstacles ahead. With the close co-operation between the developer and the clinical doctors, we hope we can achieve our Open Source Clinical Software goal.