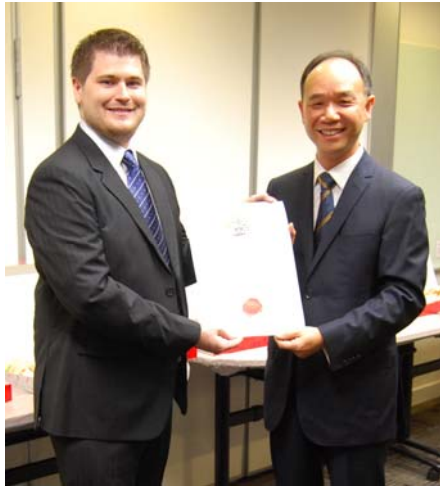


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Qualification World First for Hong Kong Engineer Peter



An engineer from Hong Kong is to be amongst the first in the world to receive a new ICT professional qualification, which is currently only awarded by the Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET).

Peter Loi Membrey, 26, technical director at education company EDuLearn (HK) Ltd, is one of the first eight candidates in the world to be recommended to receive *ICTTech*. Peter made his *ICTTech* application using Career Manager, the IET's online skills development and recording tool.

ICTTech was launched in January following industry demands for a competence-based professional qualification for IT and communications technicians. The qualification provides individuals with professional recognition of a range of skills. These not only recognise product-specific certification and relevant experience but also assess interpersonal and professional skills that are important to any job.

Peter Membrey, who is currently studying for a master's degree, said, "This qualification will set a new standard for ICT and I am glad to be one of the first to be given this opportunity. I hope many of my colleagues follow suit and register.

"I think the *ICTTech* qualification is extremely important as it provides a structured and accredited way for people in ICT to prove their knowledge and skills. It isn't enough to be able to prove that you have academic qualifications - employers want to see proof that you can apply those skills and hit the ground running. I believe the *ICTTech* qualification will provide the industry with a benchmark that in time, all ICT professionals will be valued against."

Michelle Richmond, IET Director of Membership and Professional Development, "It's a real achievement for Peter that he is among the first eight people in the world to achieve this brand new professional qualification.

"*ICTTech* will help employers to identify ICT practitioners who hold the skills they need while also recognising technical expertise, greatly strengthening professionalism and ethical practice in a key sector of employment."

The IET is licensed by the Engineering Council UK to award *ICTTech*, which is the first new registration category on the Engineering Council Register for nearly 35 years.

Peter was presented with a certificate of achievement by the chairman of the IET Hong Kong Local Network, Jolly CK Wong.