

New Aquin LawCard automates compliance monitoring for Hong Kong Mandatory Provident Funds (HK-MPF)

Frankfurt, 16 October 2006 – **Aquin Components released the new LawCard® for Hong Kong Mandatory Provident Funds (MPF).**

The Aquin LawCard® for Hong Kong (HK-MPF) comprises the restrictions of the “MPF Chapter 485a” published by the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority (MPFA) and dated 01/04/2003:

- Schedule 1
- Section 37 (Provisions relating to capital preservation fund)
- Section 51 (Repurchase Agreements)
- Section 52 (Security Lending)

It also implements the guidelines in “Guidelines III.1 – III.10”.

The Hong Kong LawCard® will be productive at Citigroup by January 2007.

Background on Hong Kong MPF

Today, funds in Hong Kong are categorized into two main types:

- **Mandatory Provident Funds (MPFs)**, regulated by the **Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority (MPFA)**
- **Unit Trusts & Mutual Funds**, regulated by Securities and Futures commission ([SFC](#)).

Mandatory Provident Funds are a type of compulsory pension fund, into which every Hong Kong resident must contribute 10% of their income (5% from the employee, 5% from the employer). Under the MPFSO, employers are required to enrol employees in MPF schemes. Except for certain exempt persons stipulated in the MPFSO, the MPF System covers employees and self-employed persons aged between 18 and 65.