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Statement for self-nomination for chair professorship 2025

Research: Please consult the HKUST Institutional Repository Bibliometrics, which report summary data from Scopus and Google Scholar Citations. It would be hard to deny that I belong amidst the chair professorship group within the division.

<https://repository.hkust.edu.hk/ir/AuthorProfile/holz-carsten-a/Bibliometrics>

Teaching: The same applies to teaching. Please consult the SFQ (and you may wish to control for type of course taught and class size).

Service: I suspect I have spent a lot more time and effort serving academia and the university than any of the chair professors in the division. You'll find hundreds of pages of write-ups (with documentation) on my homepage <https://carstenholz.people.ust.hk/> and at <https://carstenholz.people.ust.hk/Initiative.html>, calling out management decisions and behavior that's unprofessional, anti-academia, and/or against HKUST values. (One may notice that some of what I called out appears to have since been remedied. I.e., either I made a significant contribution to academia and professionalism at HKUST, or I was more clear-headed, earlier on than HKUST managers.)

I am aware that it is pretty pointless to re-self-nominate for chair professorship every year. I was at the top of the chair professor crowd ten years ago. The denial of chair professorship ever since and a host of damaging if not discriminatory measures have not exactly been encouraging. (See, for example, <https://carstenholz.people.ust.hk/Initiative/2025-4-30-PersonalStatement-CarstenHOLZ.pdf>.) The annual self-nomination has become somewhat of a routine exercise, perhaps an expression of contempt for HKUST's (failed) management system. I only have five more years left before mandatory retirement so at most you'll have to put up with four more reminders (should they even reach you).

Earlier self-nominations / documentation:

(1) <https://carstenholz.people.ust.hk/Initiative/2018-10-11-ResearchTeaching.pdf>

(2) <https://carstenholz.people.ust.hk/Initiative/2021-4-12-CarstenHolz-Statement-Self-Nomination-ChairProfessorship.pdf>

(3) <https://carstenholz.people.ust.hk/Initiative/2024-4-19-ChairProfessorshipApplication2024.pdf>

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