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Self-nomination for chair professorship 2026

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 more time and effort serving academia and the university than most of the chair professors in the division. You'll find hundreds of pages of write-ups and 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 is unprofessional and/or against HKUST values. Some of what I called out appears to have since been remedied: Either I made a significant contribution to academia at HKUST or I was more clear-headed, earlier on, than HKUST managers.

I am aware that it is futile to re-self-nominate annually for the chair professorship title when I was not given the title ten years ago despite research and teaching records comparable to—if not stronger—than those of others who were. Since then, the denial of the title and subsequent developments have not exactly been encouraging. At this point, my annual self-nomination is primarily a statement about what I consider failed management and the harm it causes / has caused.

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