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## First Civics Education Workshop for Chinese Australians in Victoria Successfully Held

## 14 October 2024

The inaugural Civics Education Workshop held at Kew Golf Club on 29 September 2024 was a huge success, attracting around 130 participants. This groundbreaking initiative, co-organized by the Chinese Community Council of Australia, Victoria Chapter (CCCAV) and the Australian Asian Business Women's Association (AABWA), aimed to empower Chinese Australians to participate actively in the democratic process.

Participants gained valuable insights into the workings of Australian democracy, enabling them to navigate the country's governance system. They also learned effective ways to engage with the democratic process, fostering a sense of civic responsibility. Furthermore, the workshop emphasized the importance of identifying misinformation and disinformation, crucial skills in today's digital landscape.

Dr. Eric Fu, a Senior Research Fellow from the University of Melbourne, led the workshop, sharing his expertise in Civics and Citizenship Education. The event was supported by the Chinese Australia Forum (CAF) and the Australian Government's National Foundation for Australia-China Relations, demonstrating a collaborative effort to promote civic engagement among Chinese Australians.

This workshop marks a significant step towards fostering a more informed and active Chinese Australian community in Victoria. By raising awareness and empowering individuals with knowledge and skills, we can build a more vibrant and inclusive democracy.

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