

# Abbreviations used in the Report

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| AoE   | Area of Excellence                           |
| ARF   | Applied Research Fund                        |
| CATS  | Credit Accumulation and Transfer System      |
| CERG  | Competitive Earmarked Research Grants        |
| EMB   | Education and Manpower Bureau                |
| FEC   | Further Education Council                    |
| HKCAA | Hong Kong Council for Academic Accreditation |
| ITF   | Innovation and Technology Fund               |
| QEF   | Quality Education Fund                       |
| R&D   | Research and Development                     |
| RAE   | Research Assessment Exercise                 |
| RGC   | Research Grants Council                      |
| RPG   | Research Postgraduate                        |
| SAR   | Special Administrative Region                |
| SEM   | Secretary for Education and Manpower         |
| TLQPR | Teaching and Learning Quality Process Review |
| UGC   | University Grants Committee                  |