

Professor Anthony Cheung on Ombudsman's removal of investigation reports prior to April 2023

- *Ming Pao* reported that the decision by Ombudsman Jackie Chan to remove investigation reports and other documents prior to April 2023 from the website of the Office of the Ombudsman had sparked widespread public concerns.
- Professor Anthony Cheung Bing-leung, Research Chair Professor and Advisor (Public Administration) of the Department of Asian and Policy Studies, emphasised the importance of "openness and transparency" in the work of the Office of the Ombudsman. He stated that reports should prioritise transparency and be easily accessible to the public, with a preference for longer retention periods for open data.
- Acknowledging he was unaware of the latest developments regarding the removal of certain data from the Ombudsman's website, Professor Cheung however reiterated that published investigation reports should help evaluate government performance and respond to societal needs.
- <https://news.mingpao.com/pns/%e6%b8%af%e8%81%9e/article/20250527/s00002/1748281191294>
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