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UPCOMING EVENTS

Outstanding Women Award 2026 by Markham, Richmond Hill & Vaughan Chinese Business Association

The Outstanding Women Award 2026, organised by the Markham, Richmond Hill & Vaughan Chinese Business Association, will be held on November 8. The Award aims to recognise the accomplishments of successful Chinese Canadian women in the business community and encourage them to make further contributions to the growth of the Canadian economy. The Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office in Toronto (HKETO) is one of the sponsors.

For details, please visit:
https://mrvcba.ca/

35th Anniversary Gala by Mississauga Chinese Business Association

The Mississauga Chinese Business Association will host its 35th Anniversary Gala & 23rd Annual Community Policing Dinner on November 18. Themed "*Harmony Beyond*", the event will present the Business & Community Awards, Outstanding Policing Award with exhibitions, live entertainment, live auctions and lucky draws. HKETO is a sponsor of the event.

For details, please visit:
https://www.facebook.com/mcbacanada/posts/celebrate-35-years-unity-partnership-progressjoin-us-for-the-mcba-35th-anniversa/1463276365834781/

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Outstanding performance in QS Asia University Rankings

Hong Kong's higher education institutions have delivered a stellar performance according to the latest QS World University Rankings: Asia 2027 released by the international higher education research organisation Quacquarelli Symonds (QS).

Five universities in Hong Kong are among Asia's top 10 with three of them ranking among Asia's top five: the University of Hong Kong at first place, City University of Hong Kong at fourth, and the Chinese University of Hong Kong at fifth. Hong Kong universities continue to lead Asia in key indicators such as academic reputation, employer reputation, internationalisation, and research impact.

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For details, please visit:
https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202611/03/P2026110300555.htm

OASES welcomes new batch of strategic enterprises

The Office for Attracting Strategic Enterprises (OASES) held a signing ceremony on October 22 to welcome a new batch of 18 strategic enterprises establishing or expanding their operations in Hong Kong.

The new cohort demonstrates the growing momentum of Hong Kong's innovation and technology ecosystem and enterprises' confidence in the city's development prospects. These strategic enterprises span a wide range of sectors, including advanced manufacturing, new energy, artificial intelligence (AI), life and health technology, fintech, and cultural and creative technology. They come from the Chinese Mainland as well as other parts of the world, underscoring Hong Kong's role as a place where businesses, talent and ideas from around the world come together to prosper.

With the addition of this new batch, the total number of OASES enterprises has reached 142. Together, they are expected to bring in some HK$84 billion worth of investment and create some 26 700 jobs, including high-value positions in research and development and management over the coming years.

For details, please visit:
https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202610/22/P2026102200546.htm

Hong Kong FinTech Week x StartmeupHK 2026

The 11th edition of Hong Kong FinTech Week x StartmeupHK 2026 (HKFW x SMUHK) is being held in Hong Kong from November 2 to 6. The event welcomes more than 45 000 participants from over 120 economies, alongside more than 1 000 speakers, 800 exhibitors and start-ups, as well as over 30 Chinese Mainland and international delegations. This flagship fintech event has brought together participants worldwide to exchange insights, showcase innovation, and foster strategic business partnerships.

The event highlights financial empowerment, tech innovation, and global expansion as key engines of sustainable business growth. Complementing HKFW x SMUHK 2026, the Global Fast Track programme once again serves as a launch pad for high-growth start-ups and scale-ups seeking to accelerate commercialisation and international expansion. This year's programme has attracted more than 700 applications from Hong Kong, the Chinese Mainland, wider Asia, Europe, North America, the Middle East, Africa and Oceania.

HKFW x SMUHK is organised by the Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau, the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau and Invest Hong Kong (InvestHK) of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government, in collaboration with the Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA), the Securities and Futures Commission, and the Insurance Authority.

For details, please visit:
https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202610/23/P2026102100279.htm
https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202611/02/P2026110200252.htm

HKMA hosts fifth Global Financial Leaders' Investment Summit

The main session of the Global Financial Leaders' Investment Summit, organised by the HKMA, successfully concluded on November 3. The event brought together approximately 280 global financial leaders, including around 120 group Chairpersons and chief executive officers.

The theme of this year is "Rethinking the Playbook". Discussions on key macroeconomic trends, financial market shifts, and technological advances that are shaping emerging opportunities and risks across various sectors, asset classes, and geographies were conducted.

The event attracted global financial leaders across a wide range of sectors, including banks, securities firms, asset owners, asset managers, private equity and venture capital firms, hedge funds and insurers.

For details, please visit:
https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202611/03/P2026110300367.htm

Belt and Road Green Innovation Conference held in Hong Kong

Jointly organised by the Ministry of Ecology and Environment of the nation and the Environment and Ecology Bureau of the HKSAR Government, the Belt and Road Green Innovation Conference 2026 (Green Innovation Conference) themed "Partnering with the Global South on Green Transition, Advancing Sustainable Development Worldwide" was held in Hong Kong on October 26.

The Green Innovation Conference gathered over 400 political and business leaders, representatives of international organisations, and experts and scholars from 17 Belt and Road countries and around 40 Chinese Mainland provinces and cities to engage in in-

depth exchanges on topics such as green finance, green innovation, and digital empowerment.

Three thematic panel discussion sessions were held, focusing on key developments in green investment and financing partnerships, the green and low-carbon expert network, and the Belt and Road Big Data Service Platform.

For details, please visit:
https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202610/26/P2026102600289.htm

Hong Kong Legal Week 2026

The Hong Kong Legal Week 2026, a five-day event themed "Collaboration & Innovation: Legal Synergy for a Shared Future" hosted by the Department of Justice of the HKSAR Government, was launched on November 2.

This landmark annual event in the legal community brought together legal professionals, business leaders, policymakers, academics, and leading international legal organisations from Hong Kong and around the world to have in-depth discussions and exchanges on forward-looking issues such as regional legal co-operation, international dispute resolution, construction of foreign-related rule of law, lawtech and opportunities of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area.

For details, please visit:
https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202611/02/P2026110200634.htm

Construction Innovation Expo 2026

The Construction Innovation Expo 2026, a flagship event of the construction industry, will be held from November 23 to 25 in Hong Kong. The 3-day event will bring together more than 190 exhibitors from 12 countries/regions and showcase cutting-edge technologies and solutions across four themed exhibition zones, offering visitors a comprehensive view of the latest developments shaping the future of the construction industry. The four themed exhibition zones are: Robotics, Advanced Machineries & Materials; Pioneering Innovation; AI & Smart Construction; and Safety & Sustainability.

For details, please visit:
https://ciexpo.cic.hk/event/2026/home

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Chinalco sets up corporate treasury centre in Hong Kong

InvestHK announced on October 23 that Aluminum Corporation of China (Chinalco) has set up Chinalco Treasury Management Co., Limited as its offshore fund management platform. Founded in 2001, Chinalco is a key state-owned enterprise under the direct administration of the Central Government. It operates in over 20 countries and regions around the world and its industrial chain covers more than 20 non-ferrous metals.

For details, please visit:
https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202610/23/P2026102100715.htm

Media content partnership: Video on Hong Kong's First Five-Year Plan

In collaboration with the Information Services Department of the HKSAR Government, the South China Morning Post is producing two videos on the First Five-Year Plan for Economic and Social Development of the HKSAR (2026-2030).

2026 Policy Address Measures Tied to Achieving Goals Set Out in City's First Five-Year Plan
https://www.scmp.com/video/hong-kong/3371596/2026-policy-address-measures-tied-achieving-goals-set-out-citys-first-five-year-plan

Hong Kong's first five-year plan enhances competitiveness, foreign business opportunities
https://www.scmp.com/video/hong-kong/3371977/hong-kongs-first-five-year-plan-enhances-competitiveness-foreign-business-opportunities

Factsheets:
https://www.brandhk.gov.hk/en/only-in-hong-kong/first-five-year-plan#factsheets

"Hong Kong 2025" available online

The HKSAR Government has released the new online yearbook "Hong Kong 2025" to provide an overview of life in Hong Kong in 2025, covering the administration, legislature, legal system and economy, detailing the policies and achievements of the Government as well as the developments of Hong Kong.

For details, please visit:
https://www.yearbook.gov.hk/2025/en/
https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202610/30/P2026103000293.htm

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The FS's blog: *A Growing Economy, A Dynamic Financial Future*

The Finance Secretary of the HKSAR, Mr Paul Chan, shared in his blog on November 1 that Hong Kong's economy is showing strong growth, supported by accelerating exports, solid domestic demand, and technology and innovation. He highlighted that the city's merchandise exports surged by 64.9% year on year in September, benefitted by the global AI investment boom which drives strong demand for high-end electronic components and AI-related products. Private investment, inbound tourism and financial services have also contributed to economic expansion, with growth continuing into the third quarter of 2026. Nevertheless, global geopolitical and economic uncertainties remain key challenges.

The article also highlighted the role of financial innovation in supporting small and medium-sized enterprises, particularly by improving access to more flexible funding at lower cost. Initiatives such as HKMA's Commercial Data Interchange and CargoX Pilot Programme enable banks to use business and trade data to assess credit risks more effectively. Hong Kong is also expanding cross-border data-sharing partnerships with the Yangtze River Delta and ASEAN markets, strengthening regional trade and financial connectivity.

During the week, the HKSAR Government and several financial regulators will unveil new measures and partnerships to explore how emerging technologies, particularly AI, tokenisation and payment connectivity, can create new investment opportunities and open up fresh opportunities for fintech businesses.

For details, please visit:
https://www.fso.gov.hk/eng/blog/blog20261101.htm

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