

### **HKETO JOB VACANCY**

Applications are invited for the post of Administrative Assistant in the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office in Toronto (HKETO). The suitable applicant should be a high school graduate with 3+ years' experience as an Administrative Assistant; or a post-secondary diploma / degree holder plus 1+ year of administrative experience. The applicant must be fluent in written and spoken English and Chinese (Cantonese), have good interpersonal and communication skills, and possess good general knowledge about Hong Kong and Canada. The successful applicant will be appointed on a one year contract initially. Applications should be submitted by e-mail, with a cover letter and resume, to [info@hketotoronto.gov.hk](mailto:info@hketotoronto.gov.hk) on or before **December 7, 2018**.

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### **RECENT ACTIVITIES**

#### **Sing for CCC**

The Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto (CCC) hosted its 5th annual "Sing For CCC" concert at the P.C. Ho Theatre on December 1, 2018. HKETO is a sponsor of the concert. In particular, the Magnificent Seven, an amateur band formed in Toronto by seven doctors originally from Hong Kong, performed two famous Hong Kong songs composed by renowned Hong Kong composer/lyricist at the concert.

#### **Hong Kong-Canada Business Association organised Canadian delegation to Hong Kong**

The Hong Kong-Canada Business Association organised a Canadian delegation to Hong Kong from December 3 to 5, 2018. A major highlight of the programme is the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Hong Kong Forum, which provides a platform for delegates from around the world to exchange ideas, connect with market players and engage in the exchange of the latest information on China. Networking opportunities with businesses and professionals from the other 41 member Hong Kong business associations of the Federation of Hong Kong Business Associations Worldwide in 30 countries and regions were also presented to the delegation.

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### **WTO Members commend Hong Kong, China for its free trade regime**

Members of the World Trade Organization (WTO) commended Hong Kong, China (HKC) again for its free and open trade regime at the Trade Policy Review meeting successfully concluded in Geneva, Switzerland on November 28.

Director-General of Trade and Industry of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government, Ms Salina Yan, was pleased with WTO members' recognition of HKC's continuous efforts in maintaining a liberal trade and investment regime, as well as the city's achievements in trade facilitation and strong engagement in various aspects of WTO work. As a founding Member of the WTO, HKC pitches strongly for this system, and would continue to play an active and constructive role in strengthening it.

The Discussant for the Trade Policy Review, Ambassador Alfredo Suescum of Panama, applauded HKC for its commitment to the multilateral trading system; while the Chairperson of the WTO Trade Policy Review Body, Ambassador Eloi Laourou of Benin, praised HKC for maintaining one of the most open and market-oriented economies in the world, and achieving robust economic growth, despite a challenging external environment.

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### **FS attends G20 Leaders' Summit in Buenos Aires**

The Financial Secretary of the HKSAR Government, Mr Paul Chan, attended the Group of Twenty (G20) Leaders' Summit in Buenos Aires, Argentina, as part of the delegation of the People's Republic of China on November 30.

Under the theme of "Building consensus for fair and sustainable development", the Summit focuses on key issues such as the future of work, infrastructure for development and a sustainable food future.

Mr Chan attended different meetings on an array of topics, including multilateral trade, financial and tax systems, as well as sustainable development. Before the Summit on November 29, Mr Chan met with the Deputy Finance Minister of the Russian Federation,

Mr Sergey Storchak and briefed him on the latest development of Hong Kong's financial services. Both sides agreed to continue with the negotiation on signing an Investment Promotion and Protection Agreement. Mr Chan also called on the State Secretary at the Federal Ministry of Finance of Germany, Mr Wolfgang Schmidt, to exchange views on global economic outlook.

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### **The University of Law to open first international campus in Hong Kong**

The University of Law from the UK announced on November 22 that it has opened an office in preparation for the establishment of its first international campus in Hong Kong slated for opening next year.

Professor Nollent of the University said that the decision to establish the campus in the city was timed to tap into the expected surge in demand for international legal services as Hong Kong is the major business platform amid the Belt and Road Initiative. This would consequently increase demand for quality legal training.

Hong Kong is a leading education hub in the region with many international law firms having a presence in the city and he believed that the new campus of The University of Law, upon opening next year, can leverage Hong Kong's unique position in the region in terms of education and legal service excellence and expand its brand around the world.

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### **ICAC updates business community on anti-corruption efforts**

The latest issue of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC)'s electronic newsletter, ICAC Post, has been uploaded on the ICAC corporate website. Highlights of this issue include:

- Enhanced connectivity: Anti-graft capacity building for new ties afar
- The road he travelled – sharing of a veteran graft fighter
- Disseminating probity message to ethnic groups
- Integrity session for biotechs under HK new listing regime
- WEF's Global Competitiveness Report – HK
- 7th ICAC Symposium: Fighting Corruption – A New Perspective

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Click here to read the details:

English: <https://www.icac.org.hk/icac/post/issue33/en/index.html>

### **HKEX new video**

The Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (HKEX) has recently produced a video entitled "HKEX is where the world comes to list". You are welcome to browse the video at the following YouTube link:

<https://youtu.be/0pB6nhFJ2tI>

### **Short video entitled "Connectivity"**

To showcase Hong Kong's enhanced connectivity with the latest infrastructure projects, the Information Services Department of HKSAR Government recently produced a promotional video entitled "Connectivity". Projects highlighted in the video included the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link, the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge, the Three Runway System, the Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and the Kai Tak Cruise Terminal. You are invited to browse the video at the following YouTube links:

English: <https://youtu.be/CMeIcvaQG14>

Chinese: [https://youtu.be/9CPPTa\\_k82U](https://youtu.be/9CPPTa_k82U)

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