

HKETO JOB VACANCY

Applications are invited for the post of Administrative Assistant to serve in the Vancouver Liaison Office of the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office (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 in office administration or related subjects plus 1+ year of administrative experience. The applicant must be fluent in written and spoken English and Chinese (Cantonese), good with figures and possess good knowledge about Hong Kong and Canada. A pleasant telephone manner and general office experience, including proficiency in computer skills (database management and MS Office applications) are essential.

The successful applicant will be appointed on contract terms. Contract gratuity may be granted upon satisfactory completion of contract. Applications should be submitted by e-mail, with a cover letter and resume, to info@hketotoronto.gov.hk on or before **January 17, 2019**.

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RECENT ACTIVITIES

HKETO Director attends Dragon Ball Launch

The Yee Hong Community Wellness Foundation hosted the Dragon Ball Launch on January 7. The Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office (Toronto) (HKETO) is one of the sponsors of the Dragon Ball 2019, the signature annual fundraising gala hosted by Foundation in its 30th year.

Speaking at the Launch, Director of HKETO, Ms Emily Mo, said that the upcoming Dragon Ball on February 9 will feature a performance by the award-winning and record-breaking Team SLASH from the Hong Kong Rope Skipping Academy. In addition, HKETO will present at the event a special 3D photo booth featuring the high-speed train of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link against the backdrop of the Victoria Harbour.

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HKETO Director visits Yee Hong

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Director of HKETO, Ms Emily Mo, visited Yee Hong Centre for Geriatric Care located at Scarborough-Finch on January 9 to learn more about the contribution made by Hong Kong immigrants to the organisation as well as the facilities and services offered to the local Chinese community.

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HKETO Director pays courtesy call on Consul General of PRC in Toronto

Director of HKETO, Ms Emily Mo, paid a courtesy call on Consul General of the People's Republic of China in Toronto, Mr Han Tao, on January 14, upon her assumption of office last December. Ms Mo took the opportunity to brief the Consul General on the latest developments of Hong Kong, and exchanged views with him on the promotion of Hong Kong-Canada trade relation.

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UPCOMING ACTIVITY

Kung Fu Fridays: Fatal Fists and Crazy Kicks from the Shaw Brothers

HKETO, in partnership with the Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF), is proud to present *The Kung Fu Fridays: Fatal Fists and Crazy Kicks from the Shaw Brothers* at the TIFF Bell Lightbox. Ten kung fu classics produced by the Shaw Brothers Studio in Hong Kong in the 70s and 80s will be screened on Fridays from January 18 to April 12, 2019.

Tickets are on sale now and the full programme of the event can be found at <https://www.tiff.net/calendar.html?series=shaw-brothers&list>

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Asian Financial Forum promotes sustainable growth and inclusive future

The 12th Asian Financial Forum (AFF), co-organised by the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government and the Hong Kong Trade Development Council, was held from January 14 to 15. The AFF gathered over 3 300 influential financial and business leaders as well as global policymakers and financial regulators

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from over 40 countries and regions to share their insights on the role of the financial services sector in shaping a sustainable and inclusive future.

The theme of this year's forum is "Creating a Sustainable and Inclusive Future". Addressing the opening session of the AFF on January 14, the Chief Executive of HKSAR, Mrs Carrie Lam, highlighted Hong Kong's competitive edge and achievements in financial services, commenting that the financial industry, which contributed almost 19 per cent of Hong Kong's gross domestic product in 2017, was well placed to serve the economy.

The Financial Secretary of the HKSAR Government, Mr Paul Chan, in his welcome remarks at the keynote luncheon, said that Hong Kong, renowned as the freest economy in the world, will not adopt protectionism. He stressed that Hong Kong supported free trade and the multilateral trading system, as well as the free flow of capital, people and information, which is the cornerstone of Hong Kong economy.

On January 15, the forum started with a breakfast panel, a series of Innotalks and a keynote luncheon. Given the rapid development of the sharing economy, the keynote luncheon on the second day of the forum featured the Head of the Sharing Economy Working Group, World Economic Forum Young Global Leaders, Ms April Rinne, who talked about how the financial services sector could contribute to the development of the sharing economy.

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National Anthem Bill gazetted

The National Anthem Bill was published in the Gazette on January 11. The Bill implements the Law of the People's Republic of China on National Anthem (National Anthem Law) in Hong Kong by local legislation.

On November 4, 2017, the Standing Committee of the 12th National People's Congress adopted the decision to add the National Anthem Law to Annex III to the Basic Law. According to Article 18(2) of the Basic Law, the national laws listed in Annex III to the Basic Law shall be applied locally by way of promulgation or legislation by the HKSAR. It is thus the responsibility of the HKSAR Government to implement the National Anthem Law locally. This approach is consistent with the "one country, two systems" principle.

The Bill will be introduced into the Legislative Council (LegCo) for first reading and second reading on January 23. The Government will fully complement the work of

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LegCo in scrutinising the Bill to strive for its early passage.

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Hong Kong and Japan sign Memorandum of Cooperation

The Department of Justice (DoJ) of HKSAR and the Ministry of Justice of Japan signed a Memorandum of Cooperation (MoC) on January 9 to strengthen their collaboration on issues relating to international arbitration and mediation.

The MoC reflects the joint efforts of Hong Kong and Japan in strengthening their co-operation and exchange of information regarding training in international arbitration and mediation, and provides a framework for the DoJ and the Ministry of Justice of Japan to promote collaborative initiatives and exchanges. It is expected that Hong Kong and Japan will benefit greatly from their co-operation in the development and provision of arbitration and mediation services.

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Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected cannabis buds

Hong Kong Customs inspected two parcels from Canada and seized a total of about 4.1 kilograms of suspected cannabis buds with an estimated market value of about HK\$730 000 at Hong Kong International Airport on January 7. After follow-up investigation, two men in Hong Kong were arrested suspected to be in connection with the case.

Hong Kong Customs reminds that under the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance, trafficking in a dangerous drug is a serious offence. The maximum penalty upon conviction is a fine of HK\$5 million and life imprisonment.

Customs also reminds that cannabis and tetrahydro-cannabinol (THC) are classified as dangerous drugs under the Ordinance. Importation of products (including food and drinks) containing cannabis or THC into Hong Kong is prohibited unless the relevant provisions in the Ordinance are complied with. In order to avoid breaching the law inadvertently, special attention should be paid to the packaging labels of food and drinks.

[Click here to read the details.](#)

The Working Holiday Scheme

The bilateral Working Holiday Scheme arrangement between the governments of HKSAR and Canada was established in 2010 with both sides providing an annual quota of 200. The Scheme not only facilitates cultural exchanges of the two places, but also helps enhance bilateral cooperation and promotes tourism and development. During their stay, the participants can engage in short-term employment, or even enrol in short-term course(s). Through these first-hand living and working experiences, the youths from Canada will be able to acquire a better understanding of the cultural and social developments of Hong Kong.

For details, please visit the website for Working Holiday Scheme at <http://www.whs.gov.hk>, and the attached Working Holiday Scheme leaflet produced by Labour Department of Hong Kong.

[attachment: WHS Leaflet 2019]

In addition, International Experience Canada also encourages Canadian youth to work and travel abroad including Hong Kong. Its next round of Study and Go Abroad Fairs to promote the programme will take place as follows:

- Vancouver - Thursday, February 28, 2pm – 6pm at the Vancouver Convention Centre, 999 Canada Place
- Montreal – Saturday, March 2, 1 pm – 5 pm at the Montreal Convention Centre Room 520 (5th Floor), 1001 Place Jean-Paul-Riopelle
- Toronto – Sunday, March 3, 1 pm – 5 pm at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, 255 Front Street West

Recruitment of qualified doctors outside Hong Kong

1) The Hospital Authority (HA) in Hong Kong is now recruiting non-locally trained doctors for the positions of:

a. Service Resident

https://erecruit.ha.org.hk/career/Default.asp?ID=3&AC=HKHA&EC=HA_Adm&GC=HAA_DM&JobID=30669&LID=1&WD5B84991091489792

and

b. Associate Consultant under various specialties

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https://erecruit.ha.org.hk/career/Default.asp?ID=3&AC=HKHA&EC=HA_Adm&GC=HAA_DM&JobID=31448&LID=1&WD5A94968813657761

Interested candidates are welcome to visit HA's website

http://www.ha.org.hk/visitor/ha_visitor_index.asp?Content_ID=2010&Lang=ENG&Dimension=100 for online application.

A promotional brochure is also enclosed for reference.

The application period for the posts will close on 31 March 2019 (Hong Kong time).

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2) The Department of Health in Hong Kong is recruiting qualified doctors outside Hong Kong for the positions of Non-civil Service Contract Doctor (without Full Registration) and Contract Doctor (without Full Registration) (Child Assessment).

Applications for the above two posts are accepted all year round. Eligibility requirements are set out in the attached recruitment notices of the Department of Health. Enquiries can be made to the Department of Health at appts_registry1@dh.gov.hk and online application can be made through the Civil Service Bureau's website at <http://www.csb.gov.hk>. Job numbers are 40221 (Contract Doctor (without Full Registration)) and 40248 (Contract Doctor (without Full Registration) (Child Assessment)).

[attachments DH1 and DH2]

InvestHK on startup surveys

Invest Hong Kong (InvestHK) of the HKSAR Government designed a leaflet showcasing an infographics about the regional headquarters and regional startup surveys in Hong Kong. Please see the attachment for details.

[attachment: InvestHK Surveys 2018]

BrandHK launches its Twitter account

The Information Services Department of the HKSAR Government has started the new year by launching its Twitter account. Members of the public are welcome to follow at https://twitter.com/Brand_HK

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