

Message

On behalf of the Hong Kong Trade Development Council, I am delighted to extend my congratulations to the Communications Association of Hong Kong (CAHK) on the publication of their 2007 Official Guide to Communications in Hong Kong. This valuable reference guide serves as an essential tool to promote Hong Kong's information and communications technology (ICT) industry.



Hong Kong is home to one of the most advanced ICT markets in Asia. With excellent telecommunications infrastructure, leading financial, tax and legal systems, and a solid commitment to protecting intellectual property rights, Hong Kong is well-positioned as a regional hub for the ICT industry in terms of research, development, capital raising and business start-ups.

Innovative systems that have been successfully integrated throughout Hong Kong's business sector include: Octopus in public transport, the Airport Management System, the Modern Port Management System used in the container ports, the On-demand and Real-time Banking System in the financial sector, and the Smart ID of the public sector.

Hong Kong's ICT entrepreneurs have a deep understanding of both Chinese and western cultures. These soft skills have advantageously placed Hong Kong as the ideal bridge between the Chinese mainland and international companies looking to expand their business in this region. This is reinforced by the Closer Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA), which gives Hong Kong-based companies preferential access to the mainland market across a range of telecommunications services.

I am pleased to recognise the achievements of CAHK in championing the strengths of the industry and further developing Hong Kong's ICT industry. We, at the TDC, will continue to strengthen our efforts to actively provide comprehensive business-matching services for the ICT industry, herald Hong Kong's superior ICT brands through our promotional networks and market Hong Kong as the region's leading hub for information and communication technology products and services.



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賀辭

本人謹代表香港貿易發展局恭賀香港通訊業聯會(CAHK)出版的《2007香港通訊業概覽》正式面世。此刊物甚具參考價值，是有效推廣香港資訊及通訊科技業的工具書。

香港擁有優良的通訊基礎設施，健全的金融、稅務及法律制度，而且十分重視知識產權的保護，為業界研究、發展、籌募資金及成立公司提供理想的環境，是亞洲資訊及通訊科技的發展中心。

先進、創新的資訊及通訊系統已成功地融入香港商業社會的各個領域，當中包括：八達通、機場管理系統、現代港口管理系統、即時支付結算及實時銀行系統、智能身分證等，為商界和普羅大眾帶來很大的方便。

香港的資訊及通訊科技人才，對中、西文化均有透徹的理解，故此是聯繫內地企業及跨國公司，協助它們推廣區內業務的理想夥伴，而「更緊密經貿關係安排」(CEPA)的實施更將香港的優勢進一步提升。

香港通訊業聯會在推廣香港業界的優勢及推動業界發展方面不遺餘力、貢獻良多。而香港貿易發展局亦為業界提供周全的商貿配對服務，透過我們遍佈全球的網絡，推廣優質的香港品牌、產品及服務。

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