



Congratulations to the Communications Association of Hong Kong (CAHK) on the publication of the “2023 Official Guide to ICT Industry in Hong Kong”.

The growing prevalence of the fifth generation (5G) mobile technology has enabled the development of various innovative applications and technology domains, including “Metaverse” being the theme of the new edition of the Official Guide. The stable, low latency, high speed, reliable and cost-effective telecommunications services through 5G have brought about abundant opportunities to the ICT industry pushing the limits of imagination and creativity. Since the successful launch of commercial 5G services in 2020 in Hong Kong, the number of local 5G users has reached about 3.3 million, with the network coverage now topping 90% and even up to 99% in core business districts, making Hong Kong’s 5G development and usage ranked among the top globally. The Government will continue to partner with the industry to promote 5G development in various aspects through spectrum supply, extending broadband services in remote areas and encouraging wider 5G application.

CAHK, as a long standing and leading ICT association, has been playing an indispensable role to enhance collaboration among industry players and promote the latest industry information and trends to the general public. The biennial publication of this Official Guide certainly serves as a pivotal reference to our community. With the Government commencing the new term, I look forward to more concerted collaboration with CAHK and the trade to drive further developments and break-through of Hong Kong’s ICT sector in the 5G era in the years to come.

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第五代流動技術 (5G) 日益普及，促進了各種創新應用和科技領域的發展，包括這新一期概覽的主題：「元宇宙」。5G 提供穩定、低時延、高速、可靠及具成本效益的電訊服務，為資訊及通訊科技業帶來巨大的機遇，突破了想像和創意的界限。香港自 2020 年成功推出商用 5G 服務後，本港 5G 使用者數目已接近 330 萬。現時 5G 覆蓋率已逾九成，在核心商業區的覆蓋率更達 99%，使香港的 5G 發展及應用在全球排名位居前列。政府會繼續與業界通力合作，透過供應頻譜、擴展偏遠地區的寬頻服務以及鼓勵更普及應用 5G，多方面推動 5G 發展。

香港通訊業聯會作為資訊及通訊科技業歷史悠久的領導組織，在加強業界合作和向公眾推廣最新的資訊及潮流趨勢一直擔當著不可或缺的角色。這份每兩年出版一次的概覽定會成為社會各界就資訊及通訊科技方面的參考指標。隨著新一屆政府就任，我期待在未來的日子與香港通訊業聯會及業界攜手合作，推動香港資訊及通訊科技業在 5G 時代有更蓬勃發展和更大突破。

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