

CDP attends 2025 Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Software Industry High-quality Development Conference, 13th Guangdong-Hong Kong Cloud Computing Conference and 8th Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao ICT Conference in Guangzhou (with photos)

â€‹The Commissioner for Digital Policy, Mr Tony Wong, today (June 12) attended the 2025 Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Software Industry High-quality Development Conference, the 13th Guangdong-Hong Kong Cloud Computing Conference and 8th Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao ICT Conference in Guangzhou. With the theme "Building an Innovation Engine, Intelligently Connecting the Digital Greater Bay Area", the conference aimed to deepen innovation and technology (I&T) exchanges and co-operation between Guangdong and Hong Kong, as well as to promote the development of emerging industries in next-generation information technology and advanced software in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area.

Speaking at the main forum of the conference, Mr Wong said that the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government has been endeavouring to develop artificial intelligence as a core industry in recent years and to promote the robust development of the AI ecosystem in Hong Kong on all fronts. In this regard, Cyberport's AI Supercomputing Centre (AISC) has commenced operation. Meanwhile, the HKSAR Government has launched a \$3 billion AI Subsidy Scheme to support local institutions, research and development (R&D) centres and enterprises in leveraging the computing power of the AISC to achieve scientific breakthroughs. The HKSAR Government also supported, through the AIR@InnoHK under the InnoHK Research Clusters focusing on the development of AI and robotics technologies, the establishment of the Hong Kong Generative AI Research and Development Center (HKGAI). HKGAI is formed by a group of R&D teams from local universities and focuses on R&D of local self-developed general-purpose large language models and applications, including the document processing application "HKPilot", which is now in pilot use in all government departments.

In addition, Mr Wong mentioned that the Digital Policy Office (DPO) is actively taking forward the preparatory work on the establishment of the Hong Kong AI Research and Development Institute, facilitating upstream R&D of AI, midstream and downstream transformation of R&D outcomes and application scenarios. He invited Guangdong technology enterprises and talent to learn more about Hong Kong's I&T development and to leverage Hong Kong's distinctive advantages under the "one country, two systems" principle of

having strong support of the motherland and being closely connected to the world, to jointly venture into the global market with Hong Kong's I&T industry and tell good stories of the country's I&T development.

The conference attracted around 400 industry experts, scholars and practitioners from Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao. Government representatives from the three places and representatives from research institutions and industry organisations also attended the conference. Being one of the major annual events of the Hong Kong/Guangdong co-operation in informatisation, the conference was jointly organised by the Guangdong Software Industry Association, the Yangcheng Evening News, the Hong Kong Cyberport Management Company Limited, the Computer Chambers of Macau and the China Software Industry Association, under the steer of the Department of Industry and Information Technology of Guangdong Province, the DPO of the HKSAR Government, the Economic and Technological Development Bureau of the Government of the Macao Special Administrative Region and the Yangcheng Evening News Group.

Mr Wong visited two local technology enterprises in Guangzhou in the afternoon. He was briefed by the enterprises' representatives on products and solutions of new-generation information technology application innovation and cybersecurity, and also learned how the enterprises apply large language models and generative AI technology to product development.

Mr Wong returned to Hong Kong this afternoon after the visit.



