Commissioner for Digital Policy visits Shanghai (with photos)

The Commissioner for Digital Policy, Mr Tony Wong, attended the Awards Presentation Ceremony of the Hong Kong/Shanghai Co-operation Open Data Challenge 2024 in Shanghai today (August 16) to show support for the Hong Kong teams and congratulate the winner of the Best Smart Mobility Award, Linksoul Holdings Company Limited, and the winner of the Best Smart Living Award, the Hong Kong Polytechnic University, from the Hong Kong delegation, as well as other winning teams.

Jointly steered by the Digital Policy Office of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government and the Shanghai Municipal Bureau of Data, the Hong Kong/Shanghai Co-operation Open Data Challenge 2024 is themed "Co-creating a Data Industry Platform for the Two Cities". The competition aims to facilitate the exchange of data, technology and talent, as well as to fully unleash the multiplier effect of data elements and promote the synergistic development of smart city and digital economy between Hong Kong and Shanghai through training and competition. The Final Judging and the Awards Presentation Ceremony were held in Shanghai on August 15 and 16 respectively. The Hong Kong delegations, comprising eight finalist teams or individuals from various enterprises and universities in Hong Kong, excelled in the competition, with Linksoul Holdings Company Limited winning the Best Smart Mobility Award, and the Hong Kong Polytechnic University winning the Best Smart Living Award of the competition. Selected entries may be nominated to enter the inaugural national "Data Element x" competition jointly organised by the National Data Bureau and other authorities.

The teams representing Hong Kong in the Final Judging were as follows:

Category	Enterprise/University	Solution's Name
Smart Environment	Stellerus Technology Limited / Hong Kong University of Science and Technology	Revolutionising Intelligent Flooding Hazard Management Platform Empowered by Physics-guided AI & Remote Sensing Satellites
Smart Environment	Back-kitchen Food Safety and Security	Back-kitchen Food Safety and Security
Smart Mobility	ETag Solution & Services Ltd.	ETag Solution & Services Ltd.
Smart Mobility	Linksoul Holdings Company Limited	Constructing a Digital Twin of Hong Kong's Transportation System
Smart Economy	BaoKong Retirement Medical Financing	BaoKong Retirement Medical Financing

Smart Economy	The University of Hong Kong	Lens
Smart Living	The Hong Kong Polytechnic University	Smart Living Explorers (English translation)
Smart Living	Canpanion Group Limited	Canpanion

(Ranking in no particular order)

Mr Wong congratulated all winners and said, "Over the years, Hong Kong and Shanghai have been expanding and deepening their co-operation in commerce and trade, finance, innovation and technology, as well as other areas, with significant results. I hope that all participants will achieve more breakthroughs and progress in the journey of data development, and jointly create a new chapter in the co-operation of digital economy between Hong Kong and Shanghai."

During his visit to Shanghai on August 15 and 16, Mr Wong attended other Hong Kong/Shanghai Co-operation Open Data Challenge 2024-related events and was one of the judges for the Grand Award. He also paid a visit to the Shanghai Municipal Bureau of Data as well as the Shanghai Municipal Commission of Economy and Informatization. Both sides exchanged views on digital government, data governance and artificial intelligence development, with a view to further promoting synergy by exploring development opportunities for the digital technology industry between Hong Kong and Shanghai.

Mr Wong concluded his two-day visit today and returned to Hong Kong in the evening.