

## DoJ and Chinese Institute of Hong Kong sign co-operation framework arrangement (with photos)

The Secretary for Justice, Ms Teresa Cheng, SC, signed a framework arrangement for collaboration with the representative of the Chinese Institute of Hong Kong, Executive Vice President Professor Huang Ping, being authorised by the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS), today (May 11) on exchanges and co-operation in rule of law research to continue to foster the building of Hong Kong's Rule of Law Database, which was officially launched in November 2021.

Under the arrangement, both sides will strive to strengthen, encourage and promote exchanges and co-operation in the area of rule of law research. The Chinese Institute of Hong Kong will also conduct dedicated studies on issues related to the rule of law and the building of a rule of law database with objective data. Under the co-ordination of the Department of Justice (DoJ) and the Chinese Institute of Hong Kong, the CASS may collaborate with relevant experts in areas such as academic research.

Ms Cheng said, "The CASS is a prestigious Mainland academic institution focusing on the study of social sciences. As a branch of the CASS, the Chinese Institute of Hong Kong was established in 2017 to pool together academic and social resources in Hong Kong and the Mainland to initiate various types of research in social sciences. The signing of the framework arrangement for collaboration will be conducive to understanding the practice of rule of law based on analysis of objective data."

Hong Kong's Rule of Law Database is one of the important projects under the DoJ's Vision 2030 for Rule of Law initiative, collecting and collating relevant objective data and research relating to the practice of rule of law.

