

Government announces appointments to Hong Kong Maritime and Port Development Board

The Government announced today (June 13) that the Chief Executive has appointed the Chairman and members to the Hong Kong Maritime and Port Development Board (HKMPDB). The appointments will be effective from July 1, 2025, for a term of three years.

The Chief Executive announced in the 2024 Policy Address that the existing Hong Kong Maritime and Port Board (HKMPB) will be reconstituted into the HKMPDB. To be chaired by a non-official member and with other members largely from the maritime sector, this high-level advisory body will assist the Government in formulating policies and long-term development strategies. The HKMPDB will be underpinned by dedicated staff and provided with additional funding to enhance its research capabilities, strengthen its Mainland and overseas promotional work and step up manpower training, with a view to supporting the Government in policy implementation more effectively and promoting the sustainable development of Hong Kong's maritime industry.

The Secretary for Transport and Logistics, Ms Mable Chan said, "Consolidating and enhancing Hong Kong's status as an international maritime centre is the top priority of the Government as well as the strategic objective of our country, hence particularly important for Hong Kong's economic development. The establishment of the HKMPDB is a key step in this institutional reform. It is hoped that the new Board will adopt an innovative and change-embracing spirit in supporting the Government to lead the maritime and port industry to further leverage Hong Kong's unique advantages and enhance the industry's global competitiveness in the midst of geopolitical challenges. Under the leadership of Dr Moses Cheng, I am confident that Board members will make valuable contributions to the work of the HKMPDB with their respective expertise and experience, and continue to advance side by side with the industry."

Moreover, four committees will be formed under the HKMPDB to focus on specific areas of work, namely the Port Development Committee, the Maritime Services Development Committee, the Promotion and External Relations Committee and the Manpower Development Committee. The four committees will be formed by broad inclusion of industry stakeholders, including ad personam and institutional members. The appointments will be announced later this month.

Ms Chan also expressed gratitude to the outgoing HKMPB members for their valuable contribution in the past, remarking that the substantive progress made in various areas of maritime and port development is a testimony to their dedicated effort.

The terms of reference of the HKMPDB are at the Annex. The membership of the HKMPDB is as follows:

Chairman

Dr Moses Cheng Mo-chi

Members

Mr Angad Banga

Ms Sabrina Chao Sih-ming

Mr Bjorn Hojgaard

Mr Wellington Koo Tse-hau

Mr Timothy Lee Kwok-lam

Mr Edward Liu Yang

Dr Billy Mak Sui-choi

Mr Alan Tung Lieh-sing

Mr Frankie Yick Chi-ming

Ex-officio Members

Secretary for Transport and Logistics or representative

Commissioner for Maritime and Port Development

Director of Marine

Director-General of Investment Promotion

Executive Director of the Hong Kong Trade Development Council