

# HKMA in Tokyo promotes Hong Kong's leading platform as international financial centre and gateway of China (with photos)

The Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA), Mr Norman Chan, was in Tokyo today (November 1) to promote Hong Kong's leading platform as an international financial centre and gateway of China.

The seminar, led by Mr Chan on "China Growth Story: What's Next and Where the Opportunities are", attracted an audience of over 200 attendees from Japanese financial institutions and corporates.

Mr Chan said, "Hong Kong has all along been an intermediation hub for trade and financial flows between Mainland China and the rest of the world. There are abundant opportunities as China's reform and opening-up further progress. Besides, as China's economy is transitioning from high speed growth to a more sustainable and consumption-driven model, it presents tremendous opportunities to Japan, home to a range of high quality goods and services. With its strategic positioning and all-rounded international financial centre platform, Hong Kong can serve as the bridgehead for Japanese corporates and investors as they seek to tap the opportunities in China and other parts of Asia."

The seminar featured a panel discussion joined by senior representatives from financial institutions and the professional services sector from Hong Kong and Japan to discuss the intermediation role and various advantages of Hong Kong in serving Japanese corporates and investors that are developing their markets in Mainland China and the region.

The seminar was part of the "Think Global, Think Hong Kong" promotion programme organised by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council in Tokyo.



