## SCED to attend APEC trade ministers meeting in Korea

The Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, Mr Algernon Yau, will depart Qatar for Jeju, Korea, today (May 13) to attend the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Ministers Responsible for Trade (MRT) Meeting.

Under the theme "Building a Sustainable Tomorrow" for APEC this year, the meeting will focus discussions on topics under three priorities: "Connect, Innovate, Prosper". During the two-day (May 15 and 16) meeting, Mr Yau and trade ministers of other member economies will participate in sessions entitled "AI Innovation for Trade Facilitation", "Connectivity through Multilateral Trading System" and "Prosperity through Sustainable Trade".

Mr Yau will also meet with other trade ministers to exchange views on issues of mutual interest on the sidelines of the MRT Meeting.

Mr Yau will return to Hong Kong on the morning of May 17. During his absence, the Under Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, Dr Bernard Chan, will be the Acting Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development.