

Advance online booking for 60th Anniversary of Dongjiang Water Supply to Hong Kong – “Dancing Water Drops Exhibition” opens

To celebrate the 60th Anniversary of Dongjiang Water Supply to Hong Kong, the Development Bureau and the Water Supplies Department will organise a large-scale art exhibition, "Dancing Water Drops Exhibition", at Tamar Park and the Central and Western District Promenade (Central Section) from April 1 to June 13. Advance online booking opens today (March 21). The exhibition aims to signify the vitality that Dongjiang water injects into Hong Kong and to demonstrate an atmosphere of social inclusion. One of the main attractions at the exhibition features a 28.8-metre-tall giant water drop-shaped sculpture, which is by far the world's largest water drop installation.

The exhibition features a set of large-scale "Dancing Water Drops" installations created by internationally acclaimed artist Simon Ma, using water drops as a core concept to symbolise inclusion and vitality. The installation has previously been displayed in Venice, Rome, Shanghai, Hangzhou and Dubai, garnering widespread cultural resonance. The installation comprises two giant water drop sculptures at heights of 28.8m and 18.8m respectively, as well as hundreds of small never-fall water drop sculptures, representing unity and inclusion. The small water drops represent children's participation from different regions, fostering cultural diversity and inclusion.

Details of the exhibition:

Exhibition period: April 1 to June 13

Exhibition location: Tamar Park and the Central and Western District Promenade (Central Section)

Exhibition time: Monday to Friday: 1pm to 7.50pm
Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays: 1pm to 10.50pm

Advance online booking through the event webpage is required. Each person is allowed to book no more than one session (lasting 20 minutes) at a maximum of five quotas each day. Visitors who have successfully made a booking should arrive at the venue within their chosen time slot and present the confirmation message to on-site staff for admission. They must follow the visiting route recommended by on-site staff. The entrance to the exhibition is located at Tamar Park, near the East Wing of the Central Government Offices. Members of the public are advised to use the footbridge outside the Admiralty Centre to access the venue.

If Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 3 is in force, with the likelihood of hoisting Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 8 or above, or if the Black Rainstorm Signal or extreme conditions are in force, the "Dancing Water Drops Exhibition" will be temporarily closed, depending on the situation. Relevant bookings will be cancelled automatically. Affected visitors are required to make a new booking for their visit. Relevant information will be released through the event webpage.

Proposed sewerage works for site formation and infrastructure works for public housing developments at San Hing Road and Hong Po Road, Tuen Mun authorised

â€‹The Chief Executive in Council has authorised the proposed sewerage works for the site formation and infrastructure works for the public housing developments at San Hing Road and Hong Po Road, Tuen Mun. The notice was gazetted today (March 21).

The sewerage works comprise the following:

1. construction of about 2 500 metres of gravity sewers and associated manholes;
2. construction of about 600m of twin rising mains, one sewage pumping station and associated manholes;
3. upgrading of about 200m of existing gravity sewer; and
4. ancillary works including temporary closure and reinstatement of carriageways, footpaths, cycle tracks, and central medians/refuge islands or parts thereof.

Details of the sewerage works were published in the Government Gazette on January 26, 2024, and February 2, 2024.

Over 3 100 quality job vacancies to be offered at Job Fair for Middle-aged and Elderly Employment

The Labour Department (LD) will hold the Job Fair for Middle-aged and Elderly Employment at MacPherson Stadium in Mong Kok on March 25 and 26, providing a large number of vacancies from various industries for job seekers, particularly middle-aged and elderly people.

About 60 organisations will participate in the two-day job fair, offering over 3 100 quality job vacancies from various industries, among which more than 2 000 are from catering, retail, property management and real estate industries. Around 30 organisations will set up booths and conduct recruitment on the spot each day. A wide variety of positions will be offered including engineer, repairing skilled worker, chemist, guest service officer, sales supervisor, administration clerk, nurse, driver, security guard, cook, beautician, health worker, inflight service operator and office assistant. Job seekers can visit the LD's Interactive Employment Service website (www.jobs.gov.hk) for more details of the vacancies.

Around 84 per cent of the vacancies offered at the job fair are full-time jobs. Most vacancies offer monthly salaries ranging from \$12,000 to \$25,000. About 94 per cent of the vacancies require a Secondary Seven education level or below. Around 65 per cent are open to job seekers without relevant work experience.

Job seekers can submit job applications during the event and may be selected for on-the-spot interviews. They can also make enquiries on the employment services provided by the LD at its counter inside the venue.

The job fair will be held from 11am to 5.30pm at 1/F, MacPherson Stadium, 38 Nelson Street, Mong Kok (near Mong Kok MTR Station Exit E2). Admission is free, with final admission time at 5pm each day.

Government announces appointments to Communications Authority

The Government today (March 21) announced that the Chief Executive has appointed Mr Jenkin Suen to succeed Ms Winnie Tam Wan-chi as the Chairperson of the Communications Authority (CA) for a term of two years with effect from April 1, 2025.

The Chief Executive has also reappointed the Permanent Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development as the Vice-chairperson of the CA. In addition, four incumbent members, i.e. Mr Nicholas Chan Hiu-fung, Mr Patrick Law Fu-yuen, Mr Michael Hui Wah-kit and Professor Leung Siu-fai have been reappointed, while Professor Anthony Fung Ying-him and Dr Patrick Tsie Kai-yiu have been appointed as new members. The tenure of the appointments is two years with effect from April 1, 2025.

Commenting on the appointments, the Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, Mr Algernon Yau, said, "I am pleased that Mr Jenkin Suen has been appointed as the Chairperson of the CA. I believe with Mr Suen's legal background and wealth of experience in public services, he will be able to lead the CA to discharge its statutory functions as the communications and broadcasting regulator in Hong Kong, with the objectives of safeguarding the interests of the public and promoting the sustainable development of the telecommunications and broadcasting sectors. I would also like to welcome Professor Anthony Fung and Dr Patrick Tsie as new members of the CA. With their extensive experience and professional knowledge in the broadcasting and telecommunications fields respectively, they will surely provide valuable insights for the work of the CA. I am also grateful that Mr Nicholas Chan, Mr Patrick Law, Mr Michael Hui and Professor Leung Siu-fai have accepted reappointment to continue to contribute to the work of the CA.

"I extend my heartfelt gratitude to Ms Winnie Tam for her outstanding contributions during her tenure. Since taking up the chairmanship in 2018, Ms Tam has guided the CA in effectively fulfilling its regulatory functions and roles with remarkable achievements. On the broadcasting front, during her tenure, the CA has relaxed a number of requirements under the broadcasting codes of practice to keep pace with the times, thereby creating a more conducive environment for the sustainable development of the broadcasting industry. In addition, the CA has continued to handle complaints in a fair, impartial and unbiased manner to safeguard public interest. On the communications front, with the rapid advancements in communications technologies over the past few years, the CA has continued to stay ahead in formulating policies to promote communications infrastructure and technology development while maintaining fair competition in the industry, contributing to a solid foundation for Hong Kong as a regional communications hub. I would also like to express my sincere appreciation to the outgoing members Professor Vincent Lau Kin-nang and Mr Simon Wong Kwong-yeung for their contributions to the CA over the past six years," Mr Yau added.

Brief profiles of the newly appointed Chairperson and non-official members are as follows:

Mr Jenkin Suen

Mr Suen was appointed as Senior Counsel in 2019 and is a barrister and an arbitrator in Des Voeux Chambers. He also sits as a Recorder of the Court of First Instance of the High Court. He is currently the Chairman of the Copyright Tribunal and the Pharmacy and Poisons Appeal Tribunal, the Deputy

Chairman of the Administrative Appeals Board, and a member of the Criminal and Law Enforcement Injuries Compensation Boards and the Air Transport Licensing Authority. He was previously the Chairman of the Appeal Tribunal Panel (Buildings).

Professor Anthony Fung Ying-him

Professor Fung is the Dean of Social Science and the Director of the Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies at the Chinese University of Hong Kong. He is currently a co-opted member of the Broadcast Complaints Committee under the CA, as well as a member of the Standing Committee on Language Education and Research and the Steering Committee on Strategic Development of Information Technology in Education. He has formerly served as a member of the Citizens Advisory Committee on Community Relations of the Independent Commission Against Corruption as well as the Radio Television Hong Kong Board of Advisors.

Dr Patrick Tsie Kai-yiu

Dr Tsie was formerly the Senior Director of Technical Marketing at Qualcomm International, and has previously served as a member appointed on an ad personam basis of the Telecommunications Regulatory Affairs Advisory Committee of the Office of the Communications Authority.

The membership of the CA from April 1, 2025, will be as follows:

Chairperson

Mr Jenkin Suen

Vice-chairperson

Permanent Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development

Non-official members

Dr Hubert Chan Chung-yee

Mr Nicholas Chan Hiu-fung

Ms Amy Fung Dun-mi

Professor Anthony Fung Ying-him

Mr Michael Hui Wah-kit

Mr Patrick Law Fu-yuen

Professor Leung Siu-fai

Dr Patrick Tsie Kai-yiu

Ms Wendy Yuen Miu-ling

Official member

Director-General of Communications

Import and Export (Amendment) Bill 2025 gazetted

The Government published the Import and Export (Amendment) Bill 2025 in the Gazette today (March 21) to make technical amendments to the Import and Export Ordinance (Cap. 60) and other relevant pieces of legislation for the implementation of Phase 3 services of the Trade Single Window (TSW).

A spokesman for the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau said, "The Government is implementing the TSW in three phases to provide a one-stop electronic platform for the trade to lodge business-to-government trade documents for trade declaration and cargo clearance. The Bill aims to provide the legal basis for Phase 3 of the TSW, such that the trade can make use of the system to submit Import and Export Declaration (TDEC), Cargo Manifest as well as applications for Certificate of Origin (CO) and Permit for Dutiable Commodities (DCP)."

At present, the Government Electronic Trading Services (GETS) is the only electronic platform for the submission of TDEC, Cargo Manifest and applications for CO and DCP, which are governed by different pieces of legislation. To implement Phase 3 of the TSW, the Government proposes to make technical amendments to relevant existing legal provisions to replace GETS by the TSW for the submission of those trade documents, and to remove GETS-related provisions from the legislation.

In addition, the Bill makes necessary legislative amendments for some of the Phase 3 services, including the introduction of value-added service provider and its regulatory framework, allowing the trade to submit pre-shipment TDEC and Cargo Manifest on a voluntary basis, the introduction of electronic road Cargo Manifest and the digitalisation of return of licences service. The Bill also includes provisions on transitional arrangements to allow parallel run of TSW Phase 3 and GETS for a certain period of time to provide sufficient time for the trade to migrate to the new system.

"The implementation of the TSW is a major business and operational process reengineering exercise. It overhauls and enhances the document submission workflows between participating government agencies and the trade. At the same time, it enhances the efficiency of cargo clearance in Hong Kong and helps maintain Hong Kong's status as an international trade centre and a logistics hub. The Government is developing the information system of Phase 3, with the target of rolling out the services by batches from 2026 onwards," the spokesman added.

The Bill will be introduced into the Legislative Council for first and second readings on April 2.