

# COVID-19 and Family Health Service Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Booking Systems and Centralised Organ Donation Register website to be temporarily suspended for system upgrades and maintenance

The Department of Health announced today (March 10) that, due to system upgrades and maintenance, the following systems/website will be temporarily suspended for the following periods:

(1) [COVID-19 Vaccination Programme – Booking System](#) and Family Health Service [Seasonal Influenza Vaccination \(SIV\) Booking System](#)

- from 11.30pm on March 11 to 8.30am on March 12
- from 11.30pm on March 12 to 8.30am on March 13

(2) Centralised Organ Donation Register [website](#)

- from 9pm on March 11 to 8.30am on March 12
- from 3am to 8.30am on March 13

Members of the public may make appointments/registrations before or after the above time slots as usual. In addition, during the suspension of the Centralised Organ Donation Register website service, members of the public can download the registration form from the organ donation [thematic website](#) and return it by fax, if necessary.

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## EMSD announces test results of LPG quality in February 2025

The Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD) today (March 10) announced that the department collected 10 liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) samples from auto-LPG filling stations and LPG terminals on a random basis in February 2025 for laboratory tests. The results show that the LPG quality of all these samples complied with auto-LPG specifications.

The detailed test results are available on the EMSD website

([www.emsd.gov.hk/en/gas\\_safety/lpg\\_vehicle\\_scheme/publications/general/results\\_of\\_lpg\\_sample\\_analysis/index.html](http://www.emsd.gov.hk/en/gas_safety/lpg_vehicle_scheme/publications/general/results_of_lpg_sample_analysis/index.html)). Enquiries can also be made to the EMSD hotline on 2333 3762.

In addition, the EMSD has been vetting independent third-party test reports submitted by LPG supply companies for each shipment to ensure that the quality of imported LPG complies with the specified requirements.

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## **Hong Kong FinTech Week x StartmeupHK Festival 2025 converge to celebrate 10 years of scaling innovation for evolving world**

Invest Hong Kong (InvestHK) announced today (March 10) an exciting milestone for its two flagship events, the Hong Kong Fintech Week and the StartmeupHK Festival. Both events will celebrate their 10th anniversary in 2025 and will be converged and held from November 3 to 7 at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre and multiple venues across Hong Kong.

The convergence of the two events will create an expanded platform dedicated to all facets of technology and business impact. It underscores Hong Kong's dedication to the digital economy by tapping into its strengths as a top international financial centre and a thriving start-up hub. Last year, the number of start-ups in Hong Kong grew by 10 per cent, with fintech being the biggest sector, featuring over 600 start-ups. The joint event will expedite innovation and foster growth in the region.

The Director-General of Investment Promotion at InvestHK, Ms Alpha Lau, said, "This celebration will mark a decade of innovation and create a powerhouse event that leverages tech convergence to elevate the economic impact and standing as an iconic symbol of the city's future development. Today, Hong Kong finds itself in the right place at the right time – poised to lead in the adoption and development of frontier technologies. Please stay tuned and join us at this premier platform to witness these groundbreaking moments firsthand."

### **Fintech & beyond**

As technology becomes ubiquitous across financial services and different sectors, the joint event will unveil a seamless integration of cutting-edge technologies such as artificial intelligence, blockchain, greentech and healthtech within the globally acclaimed financial services sector and beyond. The event will offer an expansive canvas for innovation and

collaboration, elevating the competitiveness of financial institutions and propelling them into the future.

#### Start-up superhighway

Start-ups will embark on a journey where they will enjoy unparalleled access to a wealth of resources on a unified platform. From mentors to diverse funding opportunities and extensive market exposure across the expansive tech ecosystem, this platform serves as fertile ground for nurturing groundbreaking ventures and showcasing emerging success stories.

#### Stakeholder synergy and amplifying impact

By uniting fintech experts, tech entrepreneurs, a wide array of investors, strategic companies, small and medium enterprises, financial institutions, and policymakers, this event cultivates cross-sector dialogue. It creates a robust platform that optimises resources and maximises business impact for all participants. This synergistic environment catalyses innovation and collaboration, unlocking new opportunities for all stakeholders.

Get ready for a transformative experience that will shape the future of technology and finance. For more details, please visit [www.fintechweek.hk](http://www.fintechweek.hk) or [www.startmeup.hk](http://www.startmeup.hk) and follow via official social media accounts:

LinkedIn: [Hong Kong FinTech Week](#); [StartmeupHK](#);  
YouTube: [www.youtube.com/c/HongKongFinTechWeek](http://www.youtube.com/c/HongKongFinTechWeek);  
Facebook: [Startmeup.HK](#)

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## [Hong Kong Air Cadet Corps New Headquarters and Training Centre Officially Opens \(with photo\)](#)

â€‹The new headquarters and training centre of the Hong Kong Air Cadet Corps (HKACC) located at Shiu Fai Terrace in Wan Chai held its opening ceremony today (March 9) and officially commenced operations, marking a new chapter in the development of the HKACC.

The ceremony was officiated by the Secretary for Security, Mr Tang Ping-keung, together with the Controller of the Government Flying Service (GFS), Mr Wu Wai-hung, Vice Chairman of the Hong Kong Air Cadet Corps Executive Committee, Yip Dicky Peter, and Commanding Officer, Mr Chan Man-lang, along with various guests, who witnessed this important milestone. During the ceremony, members of the HKACC performed a flag-raising ceremony and a

Chinese-style drill demonstration, followed by a review conducted by Mr Tang. Guests enjoyed a performance by the HKACC band before touring the main facilities of the new headquarters.

In his speech, Mr Tang noted that the domestically developed C919 passenger aircraft began regular flights between Hong Kong and Shanghai in January this year. He also mentioned that the Financial Budget released at the end of February highlighted support for the C919 to enter the international market. Meanwhile, the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region is promoting Hong Kong as Asia's first aircraft components handling and trading centre, indicating promising prospects for the future of Hong Kong's aviation industry and an increasing demand for talent. He stated that the new headquarters will provide a perfect place for members to explore their aviation dreams and encouraged them to equip themselves to contribute to the aviation industry of Hong Kong and the nation.

Mr Chan expressed gratitude for the continuous support from the Security Bureau and the GFS for the HKACC. He indicated that with the opening of the new headquarters, the HKACC will double its efforts to nurture more talent for society and the industry. He also expressed gratitude to the Development Bureau for providing financial and technical support through the "Funding Scheme to Support the Use of Vacant Government Sites by Non-government Organisations", which enabled the renovation work for the new headquarters and training centre to become a reality from the design blueprint.

The new headquarters is equipped with various facilities and classrooms, including flight simulators, virtual reality equipment, and drill practice areas, providing members with opportunities for various learning and training to enhance their aviation knowledge, positive thinking, discipline, and team spirit. Additionally, the new headquarters features a national education exhibition, showcasing the country's achievements and developments to strengthen the youth's national identity and sense of pride.

On April 1, 2024, the GFS incorporated the HKACC as a department-funded youth uniformed group, further enhancing support for the Corps. This includes providing members with access to flight simulators and virtual reality training, arranging more teaching sessions conducted by frontline pilots, and hosting career-oriented seminars to assist in recruiting new members, thus promoting youth development and training more talent for Hong Kong's aviation industry.



## Remarks by SCST at media session

Following are the remarks by the Secretary for Culture, Sports and Tourism, Miss Rosanna Law, at a media session after attending the LIV Golf Hong Kong 2025 this afternoon (March 9):

Secretary for Culture, Sports and Tourism: I just got in but it is already very positive vibe today. I am glad that the weather is good. I think when I see all the faces of the audience around, they are very happy, enjoying themselves obviously. It is something very different from what I used to have for a formal tournament. It's so proper and serious but here you have a fun vibe and everything is so relaxed. I think this is what tourism and entertainment ought to be.

Reporter: 香港航空青年團總部暨訓練中心開幕典禮，LIV Golf 香港 2025 的舉辦，對香港航空青年團的發展，以及對香港航空業的發展，有什麼意義？

Secretary for Culture, Sports and Tourism: We are working very closely and seriously with the organiser of LIV Golf. Our objective is to work out a long-term partnership with them. So that they can bring back this wonderful event year after year.

Reporter: So, you are working a particular timescale?

Secretary for Culture, Sports and Tourism: We are very close to agreeing on something but we are still working on it. If we are talking about a timeframe, of course, we want it to be pretty assuring.

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Secretary for Culture, Sports and Tourism: Let's work on the details and I think the partnership and intention of both sides to clinch the deal is

strong.

(Please also refer to the Chinese portion of the remarks.)