Government Funding Schemes at a Glance

No.	Funds / Schemes	Objectives	Target recipients	Contact
Cart	on Reduction			
1.	Cleaner Production Partnership Programme	Encourage and facilitate Hong Kong- owned factories in Hong Kong/Guangdong Province to adopt cleaner production technologies and practices	Enterprises / Organisations Enterprises registered in Hong Kong and owning and operating a factory in Hong Kong/ Guangdong, and non-profit distributing organisations operating as trade and industrial organisations in Hong Kong	Hong Kong Productivity Council Tel: 2788 5588 Email: enquiry@cleanerproduction.hk Website: https://www.cleanerproduction.hk/en/
2.	Dedicated Fund on Branding, Upgrading and Domestic Sales (BUD Fund)	Provide funding support to non-listed Hong Kong enterprises to enhance their competitiveness and facilitate business development in the Mainland and all other economies with which Hong Kong has signed Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) ¹ and/or Investment Promotion and Protection Agreements (IPPAs) ² ³ through developing brands, upgrading and restructuring operations and promoting sales	Enterprises Non-listed Hong Kong enterprises with substantive business operations in Hong Kong	Hong Kong Productivity Council Tel: 2788 6088 Email: bud_sec@hkpc.org Website: <u>https://www.bud.hkpc.org/en</u>
3.	Ex-gratia Payment Scheme for Phasing Out Euro IV Diesel Commercial Vehicles	Provide ex-gratia payment to eligible vehicle owners after scrapping their Euro IV diesel commercial vehicles during the implementation of the scheme	Enterprises / Organisations / Individuals / Academic and research institutions Registered owner of the vehicle when its registration is cancelled	Environmental Protection Department Tel: 2651 1100 Email: EU4dcv@epd.gov.hk Website: https://www.epd.gov.hk/epd/english/environ mentinhk/air/prob_solutions/Phasing_out_eu ro_iv_comm_veh.html
4.	Farm Improvement Scheme under Sustainable Agricultural Development Fund	Provide direct grants to local farmers for acquisition of farming equipment and materials to improve their farming efficiency and productivity	Enterprises / Individuals / Organisations Individual Application Residents or registered companies/ organisations of Hong Kong operating crop farms engaged in commercial production of not less than 1 dau chung (d.c.) each or licensed livestock farms in Hong Kong Group Application Companies or body corporates incorporated in Hong Kong having demonstrated a close connection with the agricultural industry in Hong Kong	Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department Tel: 2150 6829 Email: sadf@afcd.gov.hk Website: https://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/agriculture/s adf/sadf_fis.html

¹ So far Hong Kong has signed nine FTAs covering 21 economies, namely the Mainland, New Zealand, the four Member States of the European Free Trade Association (i.e. Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland), Chile, Macao, the ten Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) (comprising Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Viet Nam), Georgia, Australia and Peru.

² So far Hong Kong has signed 24 IPPAs covering 33 foreign economies, namely the ten Member States of the ASEAN, Australia, Austria, Bahrain, Belgo-Luxembourg Economic Union, Canada, Chile, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Korea, Kuwait, Mexico, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand (an ASEAN Member State), the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom and Türkiye. It has also concluded IPPA negotiations with Maldives and Myanmar (an ASEAN Member State).

³ The 40 economies currently covered under the BUD Fund include the Mainland, New Zealand, the four Member States of the European Free Trade Association, Chile, Macao, the ten Member States of the ASEAN, Georgia, Australia, Austria, Belgo-Luxembourg Economic Union, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Korea, Kuwait, Mexico, the Netherlands, Sweden, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom, Türkiye, Bahrain and Peru.

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	Fisheries Development Loan Fund	operations and other fisheries-related operations, and for carrying out projects that will reduce fuel consumption or carbon footprint of their operations (without increasing fishing effort); and provide loans to fish farmers to help them develop aquaculture or improve their aquaculture businesses leading to more environmentally friendly operations or an improvement of the quality and food safety standards of the aquaculture products.	owners	Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department Tel: 2708 8885 Email: fishloans@afcd.gov.hk Website: https://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/fisheries/fish _cap/fish_cap_techsup/fish_cap_fdlf.html
6.	Green and Sustainable Finance Grant Scheme	Provide subsidy for the costs of eligible green and sustainable bond and loan issuances in Hong Kong		Hong Kong Monetary Authority Tel: 2878 8196 Email: gsfgs@hkma.gov.hk Website: https://www.hkma.gov.hk/eng/key- functions/international-financial-centre/bond- market-development/tax-concessions-and- incentive-schemes/
7.	Green Incentive Scheme	Provide green incentive to Hong Kong- registered ships that have attained high ratings under the international standards on decarbonisation formulated by the International Maritime Organisation	Individuals / Academic and research institutions Hong Kong-registered ships of 5 000 gross tonnage or above	Marine Department Tel: 2852 4421 / 2852 4387 Email: hksr@mardep.gov.hk Website: https://www.mardep.gov.hk/filemanager/en/s hare/publications/pdf/materials/hksr.pdf
8.	Green Tech Fund	Provide better and more focused funding support for the research and development (R&D) and application of decarbonisation and green technologies, so as to expedite low- carbon transformation and enhance environmental protection in Hong Kong	research institutions Enterprises incorporated and registered in Hong Kong, or designated R&D Centres and	Environment and Ecology Bureau Tel: 3427 9782 / 3427 9684 Email: gtf@eeb.gov.hk Website: https://www.gtf.gov.hk/en/index.html
9.	New Energy Transport Fund	Subsidise and further encourage trial and wider use of green innovative transport technologies	Existing transport operators based in Hong Kong (including	Environment and Ecology Bureau (Environment Branch) Tel: 2824 0022 Email: netf@eeb.gov.hk Website: https://www.eeb.gov.hk/en/new- energy-transport-fund.html
	Pilot Green and Sustainable Finance Capacity Building Support Scheme	Support talent development in green and sustainable finance by providing subsidies to market practitioners as well as prospective practitioners in taking up relevant training and acquiring relevant professional qualifications	Hong Kong residents; and Either: (i) Practitioners in the financial services industry (currently or previously in service); or (ii) Practitioners in non-financial services industries whose roles and/or responsibilities involve green and sustainable finance considerations (currently or previously in service); or (iii) Full-time or part-time students at a university or local tertiary institution, with a view to obtaining a bachelor's degree or higher qualifications in relevant disciplines; or (iv) Holders of bachelor's degrees or postgraduate degrees in relevant disciplines.	Hong Kong Monetary Authority Tel: 2258 6000 Email: enquiry@greentalent.org.hk Website: <u>https://www.greentalent.org.hk/</u>
11.	Pilot Subsidy Scheme for Third-party Logistics Service Providers	Encourage the adoption of technology by the logistics sector for enhancing efficiency and productivity by providing financial assistance to third-party logistics service providers	Enterprises	Hong Kong Productivity Council Tel: 2788 6077 Email: tplsp_sec@hkpc.org Website: <u>https://www.hkpc.org/en/tplsp</u>

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12.	Professional Services		Organisations	Commerce and Economic Development
	Advancement Support Scheme		Main Programme Non-profit-distributing	Bureau Tel: 3655 5418 Email: pass@cedb.gov.hk
		external markets; promote relevant	organisations, operating as trade	Website: https://www.pass.gov.hk
			and industrial organisations,	
			professional bodies or research institutes, etc., which must either	
			be statutory organisations or	
			organisations formed or	
		Professionals Participation Subsidy	0	
		<u>Programme</u> Provide subsidy for Hong Kong	Hong Kong	
		professionals to participate in eligible	Professionals Participation Subsidy Programme	
		(e.g. overseas Hong Kong Economic	Hong Kong major professional	
			bodies from eligible professional	
		Trade Development Council	services sectors that must be non-profit-distributing in nature	
			and must either be statutory	
			organisations or organisations	
			formed or registered under the laws of Hong Kong	
13.	Recycling Fund		Enterprises / Organisations	Hong Kong Productivity Council
	, ,	Provide matching funds for the projects		Tel: 2788 5658
			Enterprise Support	Email: enquiry@recyclingfund.hk
			Programme Enterprises incorporated and	Website:
			registered in Hong Kong and	https://www.recyclingfund.hk/en/index.php
			involved in recycling related	
		Industry Support Programme	operation for at least 1 year	
		Subsidise non-profit making projects	Industry Support Programme	
		for enhancing the operational	Locally registered non-profit-	
			distributing organisations	
			operating as support organisations, trade and	
		employees of the local recycling	industrial organisations,	
		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	professional bodies or research	
		workforce, as well as certification and accreditation of recycling operations,	institutes	
		etc.		
	Sustainable Agricultural		Enterprises / Organisations /	Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation
	Development Fund		Academic and research institutions	Department Tel: 2150 6829
		output, as well as contribute to		Email: sadf@afcd.gov.hk
		fostering the sustainable development		Website:
1			Companies or body corporates incorporated in Hong Kong	https://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/agriculture/s
			having demonstrated a close	adf/sadf.html
1			connection with the agricultural	
1			industry in Hong Kong, academic and research institutions in Hong	
L			Kong	
15.	Sustainable Fisheries		Enterprises / Organisations /	Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation
	Development Fund	towards sustainable or high value- added operations so that the trade can	Academic and research	Department
		enhance its overall competitiveness		Tel: 2150 7158 Email: sfdf@afcd.gov.hk
1		and cope with new challenges	Companies or body corporates	Website:
1			incorporated in Hong Kong	http://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/fisheries/sfdf/
			having demonstrated a close connection with the fisheries	SFDF.html
1			industry in Hong Kong; and	
1			academic and research	
16.	Trade and Industrial		institutions in Hong Kong Organisations	Trade and Industry Department
10.	Organisation Support	distributing organisations to implement	organisations	Tel: 2398 5128
	Fund	projects which aim at enhancing the	Non-profit-distributing	Email: tsf_enquiry@tid.gov.hk
			organisations, such as trade and	
			industrial organisations, professional bodies or research	https://www.smefund.tid.gov.hk/tsf/eng
			institutes	
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17.	SME Financing Guarantee Scheme	Help SMEs ⁴ and non-listed enterprises obtain financing from participating lenders for meeting business needs	Enterprises Enterprises registered in Hong Kong (except listed companies, lending institutions and affiliates of lending institutions) ⁵	HKMC Insurance Limited Tel: 2536 0392 Email: sfgs_enquiry@hkmci.hk Website: https://www.hkmc.com.hk/eng/our_business/ sme_financing_guarantee_scheme.html
18.	Dedicated 100% Loan Guarantee Schemes for Specified Sectors	Support resumption of the business and services of the travel sector and the cross-boundary passenger transport trade, and provide an incentive for taxi owners to replace their liquefied petroleum gas, petrol or hybrid taxis with battery electric taxis	Enterprises / Individuals Travel agents, local tour coach registered owners, cross- boundary passenger transport trade and taxi owners	HKMC Insurance Limited Tel: 2536 9788 Email: dlgs_enquiry@hkmci.hk Website: https://www.hkmc.com.hk/eng/our_business/ dlgs.html
Mar	ket Development/Bເ	usiness Upgrading		
19.	SME Export Marketing Fund	Encourage SMEs to expand markets outside Hong Kong by providing financial assistance to SMEs for participation in export promotion activities ⁶	Enterprises Non-listed Hong Kong enterprises with substantive business operation in Hong Kong ³	Trade and Industry Department Tel: 2398 5127 Email: emf_enquiry@tid.gov.hk Website: https://www.smefund.tid.gov.hk/emf/eng
20.	Dedicated Fund on Branding, Upgrading and Domestic Sales (BUD Fund)	Please see item 2.		
21.	Professional Services Advancement Support Scheme	Please see item 12.		
Sup	porting Research &	Development (R&D)		
22.		Enhance the level of collaboration on R&D among universities, research institutes and technology enterprises in Hong Kong and Guangdong/Shenzhen	Academic and research institutions (with Enterprises / Organisations as co- applicants) The lead applicant must be an R&D Centre or a designated local public research institute. The industry co-applicant for collaborative projects can be either locally incorporated companies, or industry support organisations/ trade and industry associations/ professional bodies having the legal capacity to enter	

 ⁴ Manufacturing enterprises with fewer than 100 employees and non-manufacturing enterprises with fewer than 50 employees are regarded as small and medium enterprises (SMEs) in Hong Kong.
 ⁵ For some guarantee products, eligible enterprises must also have been in operation in Hong Kong for at least one year.
 ⁶ Effective from 30 April 2021 until 30 June 2026, the funding scope of EMF is expanded to cover large-scale exhibitions staged by organisers with good track record targeting the local market, as well as online exhibitions organised by Hong Kong Trade Development Council and reputable exhibition organisers with good track record; and the eligibility criteria is relaxed to cover non-SMEs.

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23.	Innovation and Technology Support	ITSP (Platform & Seed) Support applied R&D projects	Academic and research institutions / Universities	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3655 5678
	Programme (ITSP)	undertaken by R&D Centres or	(with Enterprises /	Email: enquiry@itf.gov.hk
	under Innovation and Technology Fund	designated local public research institutes with a view to transferring the	Organisations as co-	Website: <u>https://www.itf.gov.hk/en/funding-</u>
		R&D results to local industries	approxime)	programmes/supporting- research/itsp/index.html
			ITSP (Platform & Seed)	
		ITSP (Collaborative) (formerly the Partnership Research Programme	R&D Centres or designated local public research institutes	
		(PRP))		
		Support applied R&D projects	ITSP (Collaborative)	
		undertaken by R&D Centres or designated local public research	The lead applicant must be an R&D Centre or a designated	
		institutes in collaboration with	local public research institute,	
		companies	which should partner with an	
			industry co-applicant to apply for ITSP (Collaborative). The	
			industry co-applicant can be	
			either a company already	
			incorporated in Hong Kong under the Companies Ordinance	
			(Cap. 622); or an established	
			industry support organisation, a	
			trade and industry association or professional body which has the	
			legal capacity to enter into	
			contracts.	
24.	Mainland-Hong Kong Joint Funding Scheme	Support and encourage R&D collaboration among universities,	Academic and research institutions	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3655 5678
	(MHKJFS) under	research institutes and technology	(with Enterprises /	Email: enquiry@itf.gov.hk
	Innovation and	enterprises in Hong Kong and the	Organisations as co-	Website: https://www.itf.gov.hk/en/mhkjfs
	Technology Fund	Mainland	applicants)	
			The lead applicant must be an	
			R&D Centre or a designated	
			local public research institute. The industry co-applicant for	
			collaborative projects can be	
			either locally incorporated	
			companies, or industry support organisations/ trade and industry	
			associations/ professional bodies	
			having the legal capacity to enter into contracts.	
25.	Enterprise Support	Support local companies to conduct in-		Innovation and Technology Commission
	Scheme (ESS) under	house R&D work with a view to	-	Tel: 3422 3700
	Innovation and Technology Fund	ncouraging the private sector to invest in R&D	Locally incorporated and registered companies	Email: ess@itc.gov.hk
			- ·	Website: http://www.itf.gov.hk/l-eng/ESS.asp
26.	Research and Development Cash	Encourage more R&D investment in the private sector and encourage	Enterprises	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3655 5678
	Rebate Scheme (CRS)	companies to establish stronger	Locally incorporated companies	Email: crs-enquiry@itc.gov.hk
			or entities registered in Hong	Website: http://www.itf.gov.hk/l-eng/crs.asp
	Technology Fund		Kong with R&D projects funded by Innovation and Technology	<u></u>
			Fund and/ or R&D projects in	
			partnership with designated local	
			public research institutes	

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27.	Research Talent Hub	Research Talent Hub for ITF	Enterprises / Academic and	Innovation and Technology Commission
	(RTH) under Innovation and Technology Fund	R&D projects funded by the ITF to engage research talent to conduct	research institutions <u>RTH-ITF</u> All organisations/companies undertaking R&D projects funded by the ITF.	Tel.: 3655 5678 Email: enquiry@itf.gov.hk (RTH-ITF and RTH-SPC) / rthtc-enquiry@itc.gov.hk (RTH- TC) Website: <u>https://www.itf.gov.hk/en/funding- programmes/nurturing-talent/research-talent- hub/index.html</u>
			Incubatees and innovation and technology tenants of the	
		conduct R&D activities in Hong Kong to engage research talents to conduct R&D work.		
	litating Technology	-	Enternaises / Academic and	In a section and Task science Commission
	Public Sector Trial Scheme (PSTS) under Innovation and Technology Fund	Projects (PSTS-ITF) Provide funding support for production of prototypes/samples and/or conducting of trials in the public sector to facilitate and promote the realisation and commercialisation of research and development results under ITF projects Public Sector Trial Scheme for Incubatees & Graduate Tenants of Hong Kong Science & Technology Parks Corporation and Hong Kong Cyberport Management Company Limited (PSTS-SPC) Provide funding support for production of prototypes/samples and/or conducting of trials in the public sector by incubatees and graduate tenants of the HKSTPC and Cyberport	undertaking the ITF R&D projects; or companies owning the intellectual property of the project deliverables <u>PSTS-SPC</u> Current incubatees or graduate tenants of HKSTPC or Cyberport <u>PSTS-TC</u> Technology companies incorporated in Hong Kong under the Companies Ordinance (Cap. 622) or registered in Hong Kong under the Business Registration Ordinance (Cap.	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel.: 3655 5678 Email: enquiry@itf.gov.hk (PSTS-ITF and PSTS-TC) / pstsspc_app@itc.gov.hk (PSTS- SPC) Website: https://www.itf.gov.hk/en/funding- programmes/facilitating- technology/psts/index.html
Pron	noting IT Culture			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	General Support Programme (GSP) under Innovation and Technology Fund	Support non-R&D projects that contribute to the upgrading and development of industries, the fostering of an innovation and technology culture in Hong Kong as well as promoting popular science	Organisations / Academic and research institutions Hong Kong organisations, e.g. non-profit making trade/industry associations, public bodies, charitable organisations, local universities, local companies, etc.	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel.: 3655 5678 Email: enquiry@itf.gov.hk Website: <u>https://www.itf.gov.hk/l- eng/GSP.asp</u>

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New	Industrialisation			
30.	New Industrialisation Acceleration Scheme (NIAS) under Innovation and Technology Fund	and data science, and advanced manufacturing and new energy technologies) to set up new smart production facilities in Hong Kong	Enterprises Locally incorporated companies that commit an investment of no less than \$200 million of funding in the setting up of new smart production facilities in Hong Kong in the three designated technology areas (i.e. life and health technology, AI and data science, and advanced manufacturing and new energy technologies). The smart production facilities above shall involve high-end and advanced technology.	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel.: 3655 5678 Email: nias@itc.gov.hk Website: https://www.itf.gov.hk/en/funding- programmes/facilitating- technology/nias/index.html
	New Industrialisation Funding Scheme (NIFS) under Innovation and Technology Fund		Enterprises Locally incorporated companies	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3655 5678 Email: nifs-enquiry@itc.gov.hk Website: <u>https://www.itf.gov.hk/en/funding- programmes/facilitating-technology/nifs/</u>
Nurt	uring Technology T	alent		
			Enterprises / Organisations Enterprises registered in Hong Kong or non-government and non-subvented organisations. The employee concerned is a Hong Kong permanent resident with the necessary background/ experience relevant to training course.	Vocational Training Council Tel: 3907 6661 Email: nittp@vtc.edu.hk Website: <u>https://nittp.vtc.edu.hk/</u>
33.	STEM Internship Scheme under Innovation and Technology Fund		Enterprises / Organisations Enterprises and organisations that can offer innovation and technology-related internship places	Innovation and Technology Commission Website: https://www.itf.gov.hk/en/funding- programmes/nurturing-talent/stem- internship-scheme/ Interested employers may contact the participating institutions listed in the website directly.
Sup	porting Technology			
	Innovation and Technology Venture Fund (ITVF) under Innovation and Technology Fund	co-invest in local innovation and	Enterprises Locally incorporated innovation and technology startups established for not more than seven years	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3855 7723 Email: itvf-enquiry@itc.gov.hk Website: https://www.itf.gov.hk/l- eng/ITVF.asp

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35.	Technology Start-up	Main Programme (TSSSU-O)	Enterprises	Innovation and Technology Commission
	Support Scheme for Universities (TSSSU) under Innovation and Technology Fund	Provide funding to designated local universities to support their teams in starting technology businesses and commercialising their R&D results <u>Enhancement Measure (TSSSU+)</u> Provide dollar-to-dollar matching funds to start-ups which have demonstrated good growth potential through securing investment from private sector	deadline, and the teams of the	Website: https://www.itf.gov.hk/l- eng/TSSSU.asp Technology start-ups may contact the knowledge transfer office/technology transfer office/entrepreneurial centre of their associated universities: The University of Hong Kong Website: https://tec.hku.hk/hkutsssu/ The Chinese University of Hong Kong Website: https://www.orkts.cuhk.edu.hk/en/knowledge -transfer City University of Hong Kong Website: https://www.cityu.edu.hk/kto/ The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology Website: https://okt.hkust.edu.hk/tsssu Hong Kong Baptist University Website: http://kto.hkbu.edu.hk/eng/tsssu The Hong Kong Polytechnic University Website: https://www.polyu.edu.hk/kteo/
Traf	fic-related			website. <u>https://www.poryd.edu.nk/kteo/</u>
36.	Smart Traffic Fund	organisations or enterprises for conducting research and application of innovation and technology with the objectives of enhancing commuting	Enterprises / Organisations / Academic and research institutions Applicants are categorised into public and corporate sectors. The corporate sector accepts applications from enterprises registered in Hong Kong, as well as institutions, professional bodies, trade associations and non-government organisations not covered by public sector. The public sector accepts applications from designated R&D Centres, local universities funded by UGC and Government-established University, institutions in List 1 of the Designated Local Research Institutions (except local universities funded by UGC, Government-established University and R&D Centres), and non-profit or charitable professional bodies, trade associations and non- government organisations.	Hong Kong Productivity Council Tel: 2788 5536 Email: stf_sec@hkpc.org Website: <u>https://stf.hkpc.org/</u>
	ent Application			
37.	Patent Application Grant (PAG) under Innovation and Technology Fund	Encourage local companies and inventors to capitalise their intellectual work through patent registration	Enterprises / Individuals Locally incorporated companies, Hong Kong permanent residents or Hong Kong residents permitted to remain in Hong Kong for not less than 7 years which/who have never owned any patents nor received funding from PAG before	Hong Kong Productivity Council Tel: 2788 5958 Email: ipsc@hkpc.org Website: https://www.itf.gov.hk/en/funding- programmes/fostering-culture/pag/index.html
Log	istics Industry			
38.	Maritime and Aviation Training Fund	to support Hong Kong's future development in the maritime and aviation sectors	Enterprises / Individuals Enterprises or practitioners of maritime and aviation sectors	Transport and Logistics Bureau Tel: 3509 7261 Email: matf@tlb.gov.hk Website: https://www.tlb.gov.hk/matf/eng/index.html
39.	Pilot Subsidy Scheme for Third-party Logistics Service Providers	Please see item 11.		

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Crea	tive Industry			
	Arts Capacity Development Funding Scheme	Strengthen the cultural software and build the capacity of the arts sector of Hong Kong	Enterprises / Organisations Locally incorporated companies or charitable institutions or trusts of a public character	Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau Tel: 3102 2934 / 3102 2935 Email: acdfs@cstb.gov.hk Website: https://www.cstb.gov.hk/en/acdfs.html
41.	Cantonese Opera Development Fund	Provide funding support to projects and activities relating to the study, promotion and sustainable development of Cantonese opera	Enterprises / Organisations / Individuals Local registered organisations, local Cantonese opera practitioners or Hong Kong residents	Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau Tel: 3509 8063 / 3509 7086 Email: enquiry@coac-codf.org.hk Website: <u>https://www.coac-</u> codf.org.hk/en/index.html
42.	CreateSmart Initiative	Provide financial support to projects conducive to the development of creative industries in Hong Kong	Enterprises / Organisations / Academic and research institutions Locally registered institution/ organisation, which include the following: local academic institutes, industry support organisations, trade and industry associations, professional bodies, research institutes and companies	Cultural and Creative Industries Development Agency Tel: 2294 2774 (for non-design-related initiative) / 2294 2786 (for design-related initiative) Email: createsmart@ccidahk.gov.hk Website: https://csi.ccidahk.gov.hk/en/index.html
43.	Design Incubation Programme	Help startups from across the design world navigate and overcome challenges in the critical early stages of business development	Enterprises Design start-ups registered for not more than three years	Hong Kong Design Centre Tel: 3793 8418 / 3793 8420 Email: dip@hkdesigncentre.org Website: https://www.hkdesignincubation.org/?lang=1
44.	Fashion Incubation Programme	Promote and explore opportunities for the new generation of Hong Kong creative fashion talents and entrepreneurs, and connect them with business partners	Enterprises Fashion design-oriented business or brand either incorporated in Hong Kong or overseas for more than 3 years, and has exhibited or showcased at least two collections	Hong Kong Design Centre Tel: 3793 8407 Email: fip@hkdesigncentre.org Website: <u>https://hkfip.org/en/</u>
45.	Film Development Fund	Fund projects and activities which contribute towards the development of the Hong Kong film industry	Enterprises Film production companies formed and registered under the Companies Ordinance (Cap.622) or the predecessor Ordinance (as defined in section 2 of Cap.622)	Hong Kong Film Development Council Tel: 2594 5846 Email: info@fdc.gov.hk Website: https://www.fdc.gov.hk/en/applications.php
Trav	el Industry			
46.	Characteristic Local Tourism Incentive Scheme	Encourage the trade to develop more thematic tours, thereby promoting the long-term and sustainable development of tourism industry	Enterprises Travel agents holding a valid travel agent's licence issued under the Travel Industry Ordinance (Cap. 634)	Travel Industry Council of Hong Kong Tel: 2969 8149 Email: CTIS@tichk.org Website: <u>https://www.tichk.org/en/subsidy-</u> schemes/ctis-new
47.	Development Fund for the Travel Industry	Enhance the overall competitiveness of the local travel industry through subsidising the training and promotional activities beneficial to travel agents	Enterprises / Individuals Member travel agents of the Travel Industry Council of Hong Kong holding a valid travel agent's licence under the Travel Industry Ordinance (Cap. 634), tour escort pass holders and tourist guide pass holders	Travel Industry Council of Hong Kong Tel: (852) 2969 8157 Email: Dfund@tichk.org Website: <u>https://www.tichk.org/en/subsidy-</u> schemes/development-fund
48.	Information Technology Development Matching Fund Scheme for Travel Agents	Provide funding for eligible travel agents to adopt relevant information technology for upgrading their productivity and service quality, and strengthening their competitiveness in the local or overseas market	Enterprises Travel agents holding a valid travel agent's licence issued under the Travel Industry Ordinance (Cap. 634)	Travel Industry Council of Hong Kong Tel: 2807 1199 Email: pilotscheme@tichk.org Website: https://www.tichk.org/en/subsidy- schemes/it-matching-fund

No.	Funds / Schemes	Objectives	Target recipients	Contact
No. 49. 50.	Pilot Scheme for Characteristic Local Tourism Events Training Subsidy	Provide funding support for event staging, marketing and promotion for visitor-targeted events that are related to arts, culture, festivals, dining and sports, and support events that embody unique local characteristics, create an effective branding impact, attract visitors to Hong Kong and enhance their travel experience, while continuously enriching Hong Kong's event calendar Enhance the professional standards	Target recipients Organisations Hong Kong-registered non-profit organisations (i.e. local, bona- fide, non-profit organisations, such as sports or non- governmental organisations, arts associations or chambers of commerce) that will host an arts, culture, dining or sports event or a festival in Hong Kong on one or more days Individuals Licensed tourist guides or tour escorts	Hong Kong Tourism Board Tel: 8120 0037 Email: eventsupport@hktb.com Website: https://partnernet.hktb.com/en/trade_support/ pilot_scheme_for_characteristic_local_touris m_event/index.html Travel Industry Authority Tel: 3698 5900 Email: cpd@tia.org.hk Website: https://www.tia.org.hk/en/licensing/training-
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Scie	nce Park Programn	nes	•	
51.	Co-Acceleration Programme	Propel visionary, acceleration-stage startups into global leaders and unicorns	Enterprises Either be a tenant of HKSTP or is willing to join as one upon acceptance, with at least 50% of on-site team focused on R&D	Hong Kong Science and Technology Park Corporation Tel: 2629 6872 / 2629 6873 Email: enquiry.marketing@hkstp.org Website: https://www.hkstp.org/en/programmes/co- acceleration
52.	Elite Programme	Help innovation and technology enterprises with strong growth potentials to further expand its business outside Hong Kong and eventually become a unicorn	Enterprises Innovation and technology enterprise established for at least 2 years in or outside Hong Kong or is a subsidiary of a company which has been established for at least 2 years in or outside Hong Kong	Hong Kong Science and Technology Park Corporation Tel: 2629 6872 / 2629 6873 Email: elite@hkstp.org Website: https://www.hkstp.org/en/programmes/elite
53.	IDEATION	Cultivate the next generation of tech- focused entrepreneurs through startup support programme and seed funding to help them turn their ideas into reality and begin their entrepreneurial journeys	Enterprises / Individuals Limited companies incorporated	Hong Kong Science and Technology Park Corporation Tel: 2629 6872 / 2629 6873 Email: ideation@hkstp.org Website: https://www.hkstp.org/en/programmes/ideati on
54.	Incubation Programme	Help technology startups develop their first solutions from early stage technical builds, market exploration and business development	Hong Kong registered and incorporated technology start-up companies limited by shares and established for not more than 5 years and in the R&D fields in Information and Communications Technology (ICT), electronics, green technology, or precision engineering	Hong Kong Science and Technology Park Corporation Tel: 2629 6873 Email: incubation@hkstp.org Website: https://www.hkstp.org/en/programmes/incub ation
55.	Incu-Bio Programme	Help biomedical startups launch their R&D and turn their R&D outcomes into life-changing solutions in the competitive healthcare landscape	Enterprises Hong Kong registered and incorporated biomedical technology start-up companies limited by shares and established for not more than 2 years	Hong Kong Science and Technology Park Corporation Tel: 2629 6869 / 2629 6928 / 2629 0153 Email: incubio@hkstp.org Website: https://www.hkstp.org/en/programmes/incuba tion/incu-bio
56.	HKSTP Venture Fund	Create a collaborative fabric where the resources of Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation (HKSTP) with those of private investors to nurture early-stage technology startups	Enterprises Early-to-growth stage technology companies	Hong Kong Science and Technology Park Corporation Email: capital@hkstp.org Website: https://www.hkstp.org/en/programmes/fundin g/venture-fund-and-investment-matching

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Cyb	erport Programmes			
57.	Cyberport Creative Micro Fund	Encourage innovation and commitment to grow by supporting the development of innovative ideas and early-stage start-ups	Hong Kong permanent residents aged 18 or above or locally incorporated limited companies	Cyberport Tel: 3166 3900 Email: ccmf_enquiry@cyberport.hk Website: <u>https://www.cyberport.hk/en/entrepreneurshi</u> p/hong_kong_programme/
	Cyberport Incubation Programme	Support entrepreneurs and start-ups with resources that aim to accelerate their growth	Enterprises Locally registered digital tech company limited by shares (or in progress of incorporation) and the date of incorporation must be less than 7 years upon application deadline	Cyberport Tel: 3166 3900 Email: cip_enquiry@cyberport.hk Website: https://www.cyberport.hk/en/entrepreneurshi p/cyberport_incubation_programme/
59.	Cyberport Accelerator Support Programme	Prepare Cyberport incubatees and alumni for international markets and investors	Enterprises / Individuals Cyberport incubatees or alumni and must be admitted by accelerator programmes endorsed by Cyberport	Cyberport Tel: 3166 3900 Email: casp_enquiry@cyberport.hk Website: https://www.cyberport.hk/en/entrepreneurshi p/cyberport_accelerator_support_programm e/
	Market Development Support Scheme	Provide a financial subsidy for Cyberport incubatees or grantees or alumni of Cyberport Incubation Programme (CIP) and Cyberport Creative Micro Fund (CCMF) to develop the Mainland and overseas market	Enterprises Cyberport incubatees or grantees or alumni of CIP and CCMF, who have not raised equal to or more than US\$10M funding	Cyberport Tel: 3166 3900 Email: mdss@cyberport.hk Website: https://www.cyberport.hk/en/entrepreneurshi p/overseas_mainland_market_development_ support_scheme_mdss/
61.	Cyberport Macro Fund	Provide seed to Series A and beyond funding to Cyberport digital entrepreneurs to assist them to accelerate, and promote the development of the venture capital ecosystem for digital entrepreneurs in Hong Kong	Enterprises Scalable digital technology companies with operation based in Hong Kong, which are either (i) incubatees or graduates of Cyberport's other programmes, (ii) Cyberport Smart-Space companies, or (iii) Cyberport office tenants	Cyberport Tel: 3166 3900 Email: cmf_enquiry@cyberport.hk Website: <u>https://www.cyberport.hk/en/entrepreneurshi</u> p/cyberport_macro_fund/
	Digital Transformation Support Pilot Programme (DTSPP)	Provide funding support on a 1:1 matching basis to SMEs in adopting pre-assessed off-the-shelf, readily available digital solutions in targeted solution categories to expedite the pace of digital transformation of SMEs	Enterprises Non-listed enterprises registered	Cyberport Tel: 2599 7501 Email: dtspp@cyberport.hk Website: <u>https://dtspp.cyberport.hk/</u>
You	th Development Fur	nd Programmes		
63.	Funding Scheme for Experiential Programmes at Innovation and Entrepreneurial Bases	Subsidise Hong Kong Non- governmental Organisations (NGOs) to organise experiential programmes at the innovation and entrepreneurial bases in Mainland provinces and municipalities, with a view to enriching Hong Kong young people's understanding of the entrepreneurial bases therein, as well as the relevant policies and supporting measures on innovation and entrepreneurship in the Mainland	Individuals Hong Kong permanent residents or holders of valid Hong Kong resident identity card who studies in a full-time course in Hong Kong aged between 18 and 39 who are interested in starting a business but yet to have a clear plan	Youth Development Commission Tel: 3509 7035 Email: alliance@hyab.gov.hk Website: <u>https://www.weventure.gov.hk/en/plan_detail</u> <u>s/plan02.html</u>
64.	Funding Scheme for Youth Entrepreneurship in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area	Subsidise Hong Kong NGOs to organise youth entrepreneurial programmes and offer entrepreneurial support and incubation services, as well as start-up capital to Hong Kong young people	Enterprises Hong Kong permanent residents aged between 18 and 39 who are genuinely prepared to start a business and have detailed plans, and have start-ups that have not been in operation or have been in operation for not more than 3 years with business registered in Hong Kong	Youth Development Commission Tel: 3509 7035 Email: alliance@hyab.gov.hk Website: <u>https://www.weventure.gov.hk/en/plan_detail</u> <u>s/index.html</u>
	culture & Fisheries			
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66.	Farm Improvement Scheme under Sustainable Agricultural Development Fund	Please see item 4.		-
68.	Vegetable Marketing Organization Loan Fund	Grant loans to local crop farmers for agricultural production and development	Individuals Local crop farmers	Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department Tel: 2476 2424 / 2729 6828 Email: aoae@afcd.gov.hk Website: http://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/agriculture/ag r loan/agr loan vmolf/agr loan vmolf.html
68.	Kadoorie Agricultural Aid Loan Fund	Grant loans to individual farmers, pond fish operators and mariculturists for development and working capital	Individuals Individual farmers, pond fish operators and mariculturists	Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department Tel: 2476 2424 (Agriculture) / 2150 7097 (Mariculturist or Pond Fish Farmer) / 2471 9145 (Pond Fish Farmer) Email: aoae@afcd.gov.hk (Agriculture) / fishloans@afcd.gov.hk (Fisheries) Website: http://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/agriculture/ag r loan/agr loan kaalf/agr loan kaalf.html
69.	J.E. Joseph Trust Fund	Grant loans to farmers' co-operative societies and individual farmers for use either as development or working capital	Individuals / Organisations Farmers' co-operative societies and individual farmers	Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department Tel: 2476 2424 Email: aoae@afcd.gov.hk Website: http://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/agriculture/ag r loan/agr loan jtf/agr loan jtf.html
70.		Make short-term loans to fishermen to meet their operational needs	Enterprises / Individuals A member of a registered fishermen's co-operative society or a registered fishing company; or a local fisherman	Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department Tel: 2708 8885 Email: fishloans@afcd.gov.hk Website: https://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/fisheries/fish cap/fish cap techsup/fish cap fmolf.html
71.	Loan Fund	Please see item 5.		
72.	Sustainable Fisheries Development Fund	Please see item 15.		
73.	World Refuge Year Loan Fund	Make short-term loans to fishermen's co-operative societies or their members for purposes of social and economic benefit to the society or individual member of the society	Enterprises / Individuals / Organisations Registered fishermen's co- operative society or its members	Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department Tel: 2708 8885 Email: fishloans@afcd.gov.hk Website: <u>https://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/fisheries/fish</u> cap/fish cap techsup/fish cap wrylf.html
74.		Relieve financial distress suffered by farmers adversely affected by natural disasters and found eligible	Individuals Only genuine small full-time farmers should be considered and large-scale farmers or high income farmers will not be eligible except in unusual circumstances of extreme hardship.	Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department Tel: 2476 2424 Email: mailbox@afcd.gov.hk Website: https://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/agriculture/a gr_loan/agr_loan_erf/agr_loan_erf.html
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-	and Technology Fund	technologies in the construction industry with a view to promoting	Academic and research institutes Construction-related enterprises	Construction Industry Council Tel: 2100 9000 Email: citf@cic.hk / enquiry@cic.hk Website: <u>https://www.citf.cic.hk/?lang=1</u>

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Chir	nese Medicine			
76.	Chinese Medicine Development Fund	Enterprise Support Programme Offer matching fund to practitioners and institutions to facilitate the development of Chinese medicine industry in Hong Kong Industry Support Programme Support training programmes and courses, promotional activities, and applied studies and research on Chinese medicine	Organisations / Academic and research institutes Enterprise Support Programme Chinese medicine practitioners, related healthcare professionals and persons engaged in the Chinese medicine industry, Chinese medicine clinics, manufacturers and wholesalers of proprietary Chinese medicine, and retailers and wholesalers of Chinese herbal medicine Industry Support Programme Locally registered non-profit- making organisations, professional bodies, trade and academic associations and research institutions related to Chinese medicine, local universities and education	Hong Kong Productivity Council Tel: 2788 5632 / 2788 5633 Email: enquiry@cmdevfund.hk Website: <u>https://www.cmdevfund.hk/main- en.php</u>
-		-	institutions	
Con 77.	vention and Exhibit	ion Provide incentives to organisers of	Enternrises / Ormeniasticus	Commerce and Economic Development
	Recurrent Exhibitions	eligible recurrent exhibitions, so as to support the recovery and maintain the competitiveness of Hong Kong's convention and exhibition (C&E) industry, as well as consolidate and enhance Hong Kong's status as an international trade centre and C&E hub	Enterprises / Organisations Organisers of recurrent exhibitions held at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre or the AsiaWorld-Expo	Bureau Tel: 3655 5413 Email: enquiry@cedb.gov.hk Website: https://www.cedb.gov.hk/en/sectors/conventi on-and-exhibition.html
Fina	ncial Services			
78.	Grant Scheme for Open- ended Fund Companies and Real Estate Investment Trusts	Provide funding support for open- ended fund companies (OFCs) set up in or re-domiciled to Hong Kong and real estate investment trusts (REITs) listed in Hong Kong to pay for eligible expenses charged by Hong Kong- based professional service providers	Enterprises OFCs set up in or re-domiciled to Hong Kong and REITs listed in Hong Kong	Securities and Futures Commission Tel: 2231 1222 Email: grantscheme@sfc.hk Website: https://www.sfc.hk/en/Regulatory- functions/Products/Grant-Scheme-for-Open- ended-Fund-Companies-and-Real-Estate- Investment-Trusts
79.	Student Internship Programme under Pilot Programme to Enhance Talent Training for the Asset and Wealth Management Sector	Raise the awareness of undergraduate and postgraduate students to the wide spectrum of career opportunities in the front, middle, back offices or "mixed" job functions of the Asset and Wealth Management Sector, and allow them to gain early exposure to these different functional roles	Enterprises / Organisations Companies or organisations from the Asset and Wealth Management Sector	Hong Kong Securities and Investment Institute Email: internship@wamtalent.org.hk Website: https://www.wamtalent.org.hk/eng/internship _program/overview.html
80.	Summer Internship Programme under Pilot Programme to Enhance Talent Training for the Insurance Sector	Attract new blood for the insurance sector by allowing university students to gain a better understanding of the operation of the insurance sector which would facilitate their consideration in deciding their future career	Enterprises Companies carrying on insurance business, that includes registered insurance company, licensed insurance brokerage company or professional intermediary company under the Insurance Authority	Vocational Training Council Tel: 3974 3669 Email: instalent@vtc.edu.hk Website: <u>https://www.instalent.org.hk/en/content/sip</u>
	ial Welfare	Dromoto continuous la cruita a for	Enternrises / Ormerications	Labour and Walfara Durage
81.	Elder Academy Scheme	Promote continuous learning for elderly people, active ageing and intergenerational harmony	Enterprises / Organisations School-sponsoring bodies of primary and secondary schools as well as post-secondary institutions interested in setting up EAs and organisations interested in organising activities that encourage elderly learning and intergenerational harmony	Labour and Welfare Bureau Tel: 3655 5861 Email: ea@lwb.gov.hk Website: <u>https://www.elderacademy.org.hk/</u>

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82.	Innovation and Technology Fund for Application in Elderly and Rehabilitation Care	rehabilitation service units to procure, rent and trial use technology products, so as to improve the quality of life of service users as well as reduce the burden and pressure of care staff and carers	Enterprises / Organisations Non-subsidised private and self- financing residential care homes for the elderly and persons with disabilities, and service units from non-governmental organisations and private organisations receiving subsidies from Social Welfare Department	Social Welfare Department Tel: 3106 2852 / 3106 2846 / 3106 2870 / 3106 2876 Email: swdenq@swd.gov.hk Website: https://www.swd.gov.hk/en/pubsvc/rehab/cat _fundtrustfinaid/itfund/
83.	Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development Fund	Establish or support schemes and experiments with a view to attracting, inspiring or nurturing social entrepreneurship to develop innovations that aim at creating social impact and build social capital for supporting poverty relief in Hong Kong	Enterprises / Organisations / Individuals Social service agencies, non- profit making organisations, individuals or profit-making businesses that have creative ideas to address poverty or build capabilities in the community	Digital Policy Office Tel: 2165 7389 Email: siefund@digitalpolicy.gov.hk Website: <u>https://www.sie.gov.hk/en/index.html</u>

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