

Government Funding Schemes at a Glance

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Carbon 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 Enterprises registered in Hong Kong and owning and operating a factory in Hong Kong/Guangdong	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: https://www.bud.hkpc.org/en
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/monitoringhk/air/prob_solutions/Phasing_out_euro_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/sadf/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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5.	Fisheries Development Loan Fund	Provide loans to capture fishermen and owners of fish collectors for switching to more sustainable fisheries 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.	Enterprises / Individuals Hong Kong residents and local fishing vessel or fish collector 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	Enterprises First-time and repeated issuers/ borrowers of green and sustainable bonds/ loans	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	Enterprises / Organisations / 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	Enterprises / Academic and research institutions Enterprises incorporated and registered in Hong Kong, or designated R&D Centres and designated local public research institutes	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	Enterprises Existing transport operators based in Hong Kong (including cross-boundary transport) and operating in the relevant transport service for more than 2 years	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
10.	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	Individuals 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: https://www.greentalent.org.hk/
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 Non-listed enterprises registered in Hong Kong with substantive business operations in providing third-party logistics services related to either inbound or outbound goods	Hong Kong Productivity Council Tel: 2788 6077 Email: tpls_sec@hkpc.org Website: https://www.hkpc.org/en/tpls

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12.	Professional Services Advancement Support Scheme	<p><u>Main Programme</u> Increase the exchanges and co-operation of Hong Kong's professional services with their counterparts in external markets; promote relevant publicity activities; and enhance the standards and external competitiveness of Hong Kong's professional services</p> <p><u>Professionals Participation Subsidy Programme</u> Provide subsidy for Hong Kong professionals to participate in eligible activities organised by the Government (e.g. overseas Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices) and Hong Kong Trade Development Council</p>	<p>Organisations</p> <p><u>Main Programme</u> Non-profit-distributing organisations, operating as trade and industrial organisations, professional bodies or research institutes, etc., which must either be statutory organisations or organisations formed or registered under the laws of Hong Kong</p> <p><u>Professionals Participation Subsidy Programme</u> Hong Kong major professional bodies from eligible professional 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</p>	<p>Commerce and Economic Development Bureau Tel: 3655 5418 Email: pass@cedb.gov.hk Website: https://www.pass.gov.hk</p>
13.	Recycling Fund	<p><u>Enterprise Support Programme</u> Provide matching funds for the projects to promote the recovery and recycling of waste by facilitating the upgrading of the operational capabilities and efficiency of the recycling industry for sustainable development</p> <p><u>Industry Support Programme</u> Subsidise non-profit making projects for enhancing the operational standards and productivity of the industry, including upgrading the skills and safety of incumbent and potential employees of the local recycling industry and/or expanding its potential workforce, as well as certification and accreditation of recycling operations, etc.</p>	<p>Enterprises / Organisations</p> <p><u>Enterprise Support Programme</u> Enterprises incorporated and registered in Hong Kong and involved in recycling related operation for at least 1 year</p> <p><u>Industry Support Programme</u> Locally registered non-profit-distributing organisations operating as support organisations, trade and industrial organisations, professional bodies or research institutes</p>	<p>Hong Kong Productivity Council Tel: 2788 5658 Email: enquiry@recyclingfund.hk Website: https://www.recyclingfund.hk/en/index.php</p>
14.	Sustainable Agricultural Development Fund	<p>Support practical, application-oriented projects, schemes or research work that enhance farmers' productivity and output, as well as contribute to fostering the sustainable development and enhancing the overall competitiveness of the agricultural industry</p>	<p>Enterprises / Organisations / Academic and research institutions</p> <p><u>General Application</u> Companies or body corporates incorporated in Hong Kong having demonstrated a close connection with the agricultural industry in Hong Kong, academic and research institutions in Hong Kong</p>	<p>Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department Tel: 2150 6829 Email: sadf@afcd.gov.hk Website: https://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/agriculture/sadf/sadf.html</p>
15.	Sustainable Fisheries Development Fund	<p>Help the local fishing community move towards sustainable or high value-added operations so that the trade can enhance its overall competitiveness and cope with new challenges</p>	<p>Enterprises / Organisations / Academic and research institutions</p> <p>Companies or body corporates incorporated in Hong Kong having demonstrated a close connection with the fisheries industry in Hong Kong; and academic and research institutions in Hong Kong</p>	<p>Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department Tel: 2150 7158 Email: sdfd@afcd.gov.hk Website: http://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/fisheries/sfdf/SFDF.html</p>
16.	Trade and Industrial Organisation Support Fund	<p>Provide financial support to non-profit-distributing organisations to implement projects which aim at enhancing the competitiveness of non-listed Hong Kong enterprises in general or in specific sectors</p>	<p>Organisations</p> <p>Non-profit-distributing organisations, such as trade and industrial organisations, professional bodies or research institutes</p>	<p>Trade and Industry Department Tel: 2398 5128 Email: tsf_enquiry@tid.gov.hk Website: https://www.smefund.tid.gov.hk/tsf/eng</p>

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Financing and Guarantee				
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
Market Development/Business 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.		
Supporting Research & Development (R&D)				
22.	Innovation and Technology Support Programme (ITSP) under Innovation and Technology Fund	<p><u>ITSP (Platform & Seed)</u> Support applied R&D projects undertaken by R&D Centres or designated local public research institutes with a view to transferring the R&D results to local industries</p> <p><u>ITSP (Collaborative) (formerly the Partnership Research Programme (PRP))</u> Support applied R&D projects undertaken by R&D Centres or designated local public research institutes in collaboration with companies</p>	<p>Academic and research institutions / Universities (with Enterprises / Organisations as co-applicants)</p> <p><u>ITSP (Platform & Seed)</u> R&D Centres or designated local public research institutes</p> <p><u>ITSP (Collaborative)</u> The lead applicant must be an R&D Centre or a designated local public research institute, 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.</p>	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3655 5678 Email: enquiry@itf.gov.hk Website: https://www.itf.gov.hk/en/funding-programmes/supporting-research/itsp/index.html

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.	Mainland-Hong Kong Technology Cooperation Funding Scheme	Encourage research and development (R&D) collaboration among universities, research institutes and technology enterprises in the Mainland and Hong Kong.	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 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.	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3655 5678 Email: enquiry@itf.gov.hk Website: https://www.itf.gov.hk/en/funding-programmes/supporting-research/mhktcfs/index.html
24.	Enterprise Support Scheme (ESS) under Innovation and Technology Fund	Support local companies to conduct in-house R&D work with a view to encouraging the private sector to invest in R&D	Enterprises Locally incorporated and registered companies	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3422 3700 Email: ess@itc.gov.hk Website: http://www.itf.gov.hk/l-eng/ESS.asp
25.	Research and Development Cash Rebate Scheme (CRS) under Innovation and Technology Fund	Encourage more R&D investment in the private sector and encourage companies to establish stronger partnership with local public research institutions	Enterprises Locally incorporated companies or entities registered in Hong Kong with R&D projects funded by Innovation and Technology Fund and/ or R&D projects in partnership with designated local public research institutes	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3655 5678 Email: crs-enquiry@itc.gov.hk Website: http://www.itf.gov.hk/l-eng/crs.asp
26.	Research Talent Hub (RTH) under Innovation and Technology Fund	<u>Research Talent Hub for ITF projects (RTH-ITF)</u> Provide funding support for organisations/companies undertaking R&D projects funded by the ITF to engage research talent to conduct R&D work <u>Research Talent Hub for Incubatees and I&T Tenants of the HKSTPC and the Cyberport (RTH-SPC)</u> Provide incubatees and innovation and technology tenants of the Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation (HKSTPC) and the Hong Kong Cyberport Management Company Limited (Cyberport) with funding support for the recruitment of research talents to conduct R&D work. <u>Research Talent Hub for Technology Companies Conducting R&D Activities in Hong Kong (RTH-TC)</u> Provide funding support for technology companies conducting or planning to conduct R&D activities in Hong Kong to engage research talents to conduct R&D work.	Enterprises / Academic and research institutions <u>RTH-ITF</u> All organisations/companies undertaking R&D projects funded by the ITF. <u>RTH-SPC</u> Incubatees and innovation and technology tenants of the HKSTPC and the Cyberport <u>RTH-TC</u> Locally incorporated and registered companies that have substantive business operations and conduct or plan to conduct R&D activities in Hong Kong	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel.: 3655 5678 Email: enquiry@itf.gov.hk (RTH-ITF and RTH-SPC) / rthtc-enquiry@itc.gov.hk (RTH-TC) Website: https://www.itf.gov.hk/en/funding-programmes/nurturing-talent/research-talent-hub/index.html

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Facilitating Technology Adoption				
27.	Public Sector Trial Scheme (PSTS) under Innovation and Technology Fund	<p><u>Public Sector Trial Scheme – ITF Projects (PSTS-ITF)</u> 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</p> <p><u>Public Sector Trial Scheme for Incubatees & Graduate Tenants of Hong Kong Science & Technology Parks Corporation and Hong Kong Cyberport Management Company Limited (PSTS-SPC)</u> 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</p> <p><u>Public Sector Trial Scheme for Technology Companies Conducting Research and Development (R&D) Activities in Hong Kong (PSTS-TC)</u> Fund the production of prototypes/samples and/or conducting of trials in the public sector by technology companies conducting R&D activities in Hong Kong</p>	<p>Enterprises / Academic and research institutions</p> <p><u>PSTS-ITF</u> R&D Centres/designated local public research institutes undertaking the ITF R&D projects; or companies owning the intellectual property of the project deliverables</p> <p><u>PSTS-SPC</u> Current incubatees or graduate tenants of HKSTPC or Cyberport</p> <p><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. 310)</p>	<p>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</p>
Promoting IT Culture				
28.	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	<p>Organisations / Academic and research institutions</p> <p>Hong Kong organisations, e.g. non-profit making trade/industry associations, public bodies, charitable organisations, local universities, local companies, etc.</p>	<p>Innovation and Technology Commission Tel.: 3655 5678 Email: enquiry@itf.gov.hk Website: https://www.itf.gov.hk/eng/GSP.asp</p>
New Industrialisation				
29.	New Industrialisation Acceleration Scheme (NIAS) under Innovation and Technology Fund	Provide funding support for enterprises engaging in industries of strategic importance (i.e. life and health technology, artificial intelligence (AI) and data science, and advanced manufacturing and new energy technologies) to set up new smart production facilities in Hong Kong	<p>Enterprises</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>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</p>
30.	New Industrialisation Funding Scheme (NIFS) under Innovation and Technology Fund	Subsidise manufacturers to set up new smart production lines in Hong Kong	<p>Enterprises</p> <p>Locally incorporated companies</p>	<p>Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3655 5678 Email: nifs-enquiry@itc.gov.hk Website: https://www.itf.gov.hk/en/funding-programmes/facilitating-technology/nifs/</p>

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Nurturing Technology Talent				
31.	New Industrialisation and Technology Training Programme (NITTP) under Innovation and Technology Fund	Subsidise local companies to train staff in advanced technologies, especially those related to "New Industrialisation"	Enterprises / Organisations Enterprises registered in Hong Kong or non-government and non-subservent 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: https://nittp.vtc.edu.hk/
32.	STEM Internship Scheme under Innovation and Technology Fund	Encourage STEM students to gain innovation and technology-related work experience during their studies and foster their interest in pursuing a career in innovation and technology after graduation, as well as encourage STEM students of other places to gain first-hand experience and understanding of the local innovation and technology ecosystem and boost their confidence in pursuing a career in innovation and technology in Hong Kong	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.
Supporting Technology Start-ups				
33.	Innovation and Technology Venture Fund (ITVF) under Innovation and Technology Fund	Attract more venture capital funds to co-invest in local innovation and technology startups in Hong Kong	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/eng/ITVF.asp

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34.	Technology Start-up Support Scheme for Universities (TSSSU) under Innovation and Technology Fund	<p>Main Programme (TSSSU-O) Provide funding to designated local universities to support their teams in starting technology businesses and commercialising their R&D results</p> <p>Enhancement Measure (TSSSU+) Provide dollar-to-dollar matching funds to start-ups which have demonstrated good growth potential through securing investment from private sector</p>	<p>Enterprises</p> <p>Locally incorporated technology start-ups established for not more than two years (for TSSSU-O) or not more than seven years (for TSSSU+) as of the date of the application deadline, and the teams of the start-ups having any mix of the undergraduates, postgraduates or alumni and / or professor(s) or other faculty members serving as consultant(s) providing technical expertise and direction of the R&D of the designated universities. For TSSSU+ applicants only: the amount of private investment it has secured during the recognised matching period is no less than the amount of funding it intends to apply for.</p>	<p>Innovation and Technology Commission Website: https://www.itf.gov.hk/eng/TSSSU.asp</p> <p>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/</p>
Traffic-related				
35.	Smart Traffic Fund	Provide funding support to local organisations or enterprises for conducting research and application of innovation and technology with the objectives of enhancing commuting convenience, enhancing efficiency of the road network or road space, and improving driving safety	<p>Enterprises / Organisations / Academic and research institutions</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>Hong Kong Productivity Council Tel: 2788 5536 Email: stf_sec@hkpc.org Website: https://stf.hkpc.org/</p>
Patent Application				
36.	Patent Application Grant (PAG) under Innovation and Technology Fund	Encourage local companies and inventors to capitalise their intellectual work through patent registration	<p>Enterprises / Individuals</p> <p>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</p>	<p>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</p>
Logistics Industry				
37.	Maritime and Aviation Training Fund	Build up in due course a vibrant, diversified and competitive pool of professionals and technical personnel to support Hong Kong's future development in the maritime and aviation sectors	<p>Enterprises / Individuals</p> <p>Enterprises or practitioners of maritime and aviation sectors</p>	<p>Transport and Logistics Bureau Tel: 3509 7261 Email: matf@tlb.gov.hk Website: https://www.tlb.gov.hk/matf/eng/index.html</p>
38.	Pilot Subsidy Scheme for Third-party Logistics Service Providers	Please see item 11.		

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Creative Industry				
39.	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
40.	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: https://www.coac-codf.org.hk/en/index.html
41.	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
42.	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
43.	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: https://hkfip.org/en/
44.	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
Travel Industry				
45.	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: https://www.tichk.org/en/subsidy-schemes/ctis-new
46.	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: https://www.tichk.org/en/subsidy-schemes/development-fund
47.	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

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48.	Pilot Scheme for Characteristic Local Tourism Events	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	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	Hong Kong Tourism Board Tel: 8120 0037 Email: eventsupport@hktb.com Website: https://partnernet.hktb.com/en/trade_support/pilot_scheme_for_characteristic_local_tourism_event/index.html
49.	Training Subsidy Scheme for Practitioners of the Travel Trade	Enhance the professional standards and service quality of the travel industry	Individuals Licensed tourist guides or tour escorts	Travel Industry Authority Tel: 3698 5900 Email: cpd@tia.org.hk Website: https://www.tia.org.hk/en/licensing/training-subsidy-scheme-for-practitioners-of-the-travel-trade.html
Science Park Programmes				
50.	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
51.	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
52.	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 in Hong Kong for less than 2 years or Hong Kong permanent residents aged 18 or above	Hong Kong Science and Technology Park Corporation Tel: 2629 6872 / 2629 6873 Email: ideation@hkstp.org Website: https://www.hkstp.org/en/programmes/ideation
53.	Incubation Programme	Help technology startups develop their first solutions from early stage technical builds, market exploration and business development	Enterprises 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/incubation
54.	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/incubation/incu-bio
55.	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/funding/venture-fund-and-investment-matching

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Cyberport Programmes				
56.	Cyberport Creative Micro Fund	Encourage innovation and commitment to grow by supporting the development of innovative ideas and early-stage start-ups	Enterprises / Individuals Hong Kong permanent residents aged 18 or above or locally incorporated limited companies	Cyberport Tel: 3166 3900 Email: ccmf_enquiry@cyberport.hk Website: https://www.cyberport.hk/en/entrepreneurship/hong_kong_programme/
57.	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/entrepreneurship/cyberport_incubation_programme/
58.	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/entrepreneurship/cyberport_accelerator_support_programme/
59.	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/entrepreneurship/overseas_mainland_market_development_support_scheme_mdss/
60.	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: https://www.cyberport.hk/en/entrepreneurship/cyberport_macro_fund/
61.	Digital Transformation Support Pilot Programme (DTSP)	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 in Hong Kong with substantive business operations in Food and Beverage or Retail sectors and having less than 50 full-time employees	Cyberport Tel: 2599 7501 Email: dtspp@cyberport.hk Website: https://dtspp.cyberport.hk/
Youth Development Fund Programmes				
62.	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: https://www.weventure.gov.hk/en/plan_details/plan02.html
63.	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: https://www.weventure.gov.hk/en/plan_details/index.html
Agriculture & Fisheries				
64.	Sustainable Agricultural Development Fund	Please see item 14.		

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65.	Farm Improvement Scheme under Sustainable Agricultural Development Fund	Please see item 4.		
66.	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/agr_loan/agr_loan_vmolf/agr_loan_vmolf.html
67.	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/agr_loan/agr_loan_kaalf/agr_loan_kaalf.html
68.	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/agr_loan/agr_loan_jtf/agr_loan_jtf.html
69.	Fish Marketing Organization Loan Fund	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
70.	Fisheries Development Loan Fund	Please see item 5.		
71.	Sustainable Fisheries Development Fund	Please see item 15.		
72.	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: https://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/fisheries/fish_cap/fish_cap_techsup/fish_cap_wrylf.html
734	Emergency Relief Fund for Agriculture and Fisheries Industry	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/agr_loan/agr_loan_erf/agr_loan_erf.html
Construction				
74.	Construction Innovation and Technology Fund	Encourage wider adoption of innovative construction methods and new technologies in the construction industry with a view to promoting productivity, uplifting built quality, improving site safety and enhancing environmental performance	Enterprises / Organisations / Academic and research institutes Construction-related enterprises in Hong Kong, local Hong Kong higher education institutions, professional institutions, trade associations, unions and quasi-governmental or statutory organisations (for organising local collaborative courses only)	Construction Industry Council Tel: 2100 9000 Email: citf@cic.hk / enquiry@cic.hk Website: https://www.citf.cic.hk/?lang=1

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Chinese Medicine				
75.	Chinese Medicine Development Fund	<p>Enterprise Support Programme Offer matching fund to practitioners and institutions to facilitate the development of Chinese medicine industry in Hong Kong</p> <p>Industry Support Programme Support training programmes and courses, promotional activities, and applied studies and research on Chinese medicine</p>	<p>Enterprises / Individuals / Organisations / Academic and research institutes</p> <p>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</p> <p>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 institutions</p>	<p>Hong Kong Productivity Council Tel: 2788 5632 / 2788 5633 Email: enquiry@cmdevfund.hk Website: https://www.cmdevfund.hk/main-en.php</p>
Convention and Exhibition				
76.	Incentive Scheme for Recurrent Exhibitions	Provide incentives to organisers of 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	<p>Enterprises / Organisations</p> <p>Organisers of recurrent exhibitions held at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre or the AsiaWorld-Expo</p>	<p>Commerce and Economic Development Bureau Tel: 3655 5413 Email: enquiry@cedb.gov.hk Website: https://www.cedb.gov.hk/en/sectors/convention-and-exhibition.html</p>
Financial Services				
77.	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	<p>Enterprises</p> <p>OFCs set up in or re-domiciled to Hong Kong and REITs listed in Hong Kong</p>	<p>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</p>
78.	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	<p>Enterprises / Organisations</p> <p>Companies or organisations from the Asset and Wealth Management Sector</p>	<p>Hong Kong Securities and Investment Institute Email: internship@wamtalent.org.hk Website: https://www.wamtalent.org.hk/eng/internship_program/overview.html</p>
79.	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	<p>Enterprises</p> <p>Companies carrying on insurance business, that includes registered insurance company, licensed insurance brokerage company or professional intermediary company under the Insurance Authority</p>	<p>Vocational Training Council Tel: 3974 3669 Email: instalent@vtc.edu.hk Website: https://www.instalent.org.hk/en/content/sip</p>
Social Welfare				
80.	Elder Academy Scheme	Promote continuous learning for elderly people, active ageing and intergenerational harmony	<p>Enterprises / Organisations</p> <p>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</p>	<p>Labour and Welfare Bureau Tel: 3655 5861 Email: ea@lwb.gov.hk Website: https://www.elderacademy.org.hk/</p>

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81.	Innovation and Technology Fund for Application in Elderly and Rehabilitation Care	Subsidise eligible elderly and 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/catfundtrustfinaid/itfund/
82.	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: https://www.sie.gov.hk/en/index.html

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