



15 July 2024 | 9:30am – 5:00pm
Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre (Meeting Room S221)

AGENDA

Conducted in Cantonese, with simultaneous interpretation in English and Putonghua.

Time	Activity
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Opening Session

09:30 – 10:00

Welcome remarks

Ms Linda LAM Mei-sau, SBS

Chairperson, Equal Opportunities Commission

Keynote address by Guest of Honour

Ms Winnie HO Wing-yin, JP

Secretary for Housing, HKSAR

Panel 1: Enhancing the Accessibility of Hong Kong's Built Environment

10:00 – 11:20

Hong Kong is one of the most densely populated cities in the world. With high intensity development and limited land, it has always been a challenge to maintain a built environment that is equally accessible for people with different abilities and at different stages in life.

This session will examine the challenges and opportunities in improving physical accessibility in Hong Kong, exploring strategies to create universally accessible and age-friendly living environments for all.

Mr James CHAN Yum-min

Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director, Hong Kong Housing Society

Mr KING Kwok-cheung

Assistant Director (Architectural), Architectural Services Department, HKSAR

Ar Dr Joseph KWAN Kwok-lok, MH

Vice President, Asia Pacific, Rehabilitation International

Founder and Director, UDA Consultants Ltd

Professor MO Kar-him

Chairman and Co-founder, Happy Ageing Lab Foundation

Assistant Professor, School of Architecture, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

11:20 – 11:35

Break

Showcases

11:35 – 12:00

Showcase 1: The Development of Assistive Technology in Hong Kong

Professor Kenneth FONG Nai-kuen

Professor and Associate Head, Department of Rehabilitation Sciences,

The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Director, Research Centre for Assistive Technology, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

12:00 – 12:20	Showcase 2: Building Barrier-free Cities in the Greater Bay Area Ms HOU Yisha <i>Founder, Shenzhen Accessible Cities Federation</i>
12:20 – 12:40	Showcase 3: Barrier-free Index: Concept and Roadmap Professor Leon ZHOU Lingang <i>Executive Director, Research Center for the Development of the Cause of Persons with Disabilities in the Pilot Demonstration Zone of Socialism with Chinese Characteristics, Shenzhen University</i>

12:40 – 14:00 **Lunch Break**

Panel 2 : Removing Barriers to Digital Accessibility and Inclusion

14:00 – 15:20	<p>Advancement in digital technology does not always come with improvement in digital accessibility. In many cases, new technology can further exacerbate the social exclusion marginalised communities face.</p> <p>This session will focus on solutions to close the digital divide, highlighting effective practices and policies that ensure the benefits of digital technologies are accessible to all.</p> <p>Professor Nancy LAW LUK Wai-ying <i>Associate Dean (Research), Faculty of Education, The University of Hong Kong Deputy Director, Centre for Information Technology in Education, The University of Hong Kong</i></p> <p>Hon Elizabeth QUAT, SBS, BBS, JP <i>Legislative Council Member (Election Committee)</i></p> <p>Ir Wilson WONG Ka-wai <i>Chairperson, Advisory Committee for Digital Accessibility Recognition Scheme Chief Executive Officer, Hong Kong Internet Registration Corporation Limited</i></p> <p>Ms Cari WU <i>Assistant Government Chief Information Officer (Industry Development), Office of the Government Chief Information Officer, The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region</i></p>
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15:20 – 15:35 **Break**

Panel 3 : Enabling Inclusion through the SMART City Blueprint

15:35 – 16:50	<p>The concept of smart city has become an influential model of development for many major cities around the world, as smart technologies hold the potential to significantly enhance governance and improve the quality of life of urban dwellers. In Hong Kong, the Government's Smart City Blueprint 2.0 highlights the centrality of digital technology in the city's future development.</p> <p>This session will focus on the impact of smart technology to enhance accessibility and inclusion, highlighting concrete examples and solutions in banking, indoor mapping technology and healthcare.</p> <p>Dr John CHAN Chuen-yu <i>Founder and CEO, Maphive Technology Limited</i></p> <p>Mr Tony CHAN <i>Business Development Director, Esri China (Hong Kong) Member, Smart City Consortium</i></p> <p>Mr Robert HSU Soong-nien <i>Senior Manager, Group Digital Experience and Accessibility, HSBC</i></p> <p>Dr Anna TONG Yee-ha <i>Chief Manager (eHealth), Hospital Authority</i></p>
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Closing Session

16:50	Closing remarks Ms Linda LAM Mei-sau, SBS <i>Chairperson, Equal Opportunities Commission</i> End of symposium
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