Communicating Hong Kong's Recovery



Overview

- Moving the economy of HK back to the development track after SARS
- Focus on the impact on incoming travellers, and the plunge of local consumption
- Full participation by business sector and the community under Government's driving force and coordination



Way Forward : Machinery

- Two-Tier
- Economic Relaunch Working Group led by FS, including SCIT, SEDL, SFST, SHA, DIS
- Economic Relaunch Strategy Group, chaired by FS, with representatives of relevant sectors, major local and foreign chambers of commerce, academics, think-tanks and relevant Policy Secretaries
- Policy Secretaries to coordinate activities within their scope of responsibilities
- Both serviced by InvestHK



Way Forward : Consultation

- Solicit views and comments of LegCo, members of the public and the community
- Meet with political parties
- Welcome community input:
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- Grateful for the valuable input in the past week, and look forward to more



Key Considerations

- Three phases
 - Response
 - Reassurance
 - Recovery
- No. 1 task contain the spreading of SARS
- Get prepared for relaunch
- Engage the whole community





Response Phase



Response Phase

- Hong Kong is still in this phase
- Containing the disease with promising results
- Address imagery
- Set stage for reassurance phase
- Containment is critical to relaunch



Response Phase: Messages

Prudence not panic

Good progress : science triumphs

- Global challenges : global response
- Hong Kong heroes





Reassurance Phase



Reassurance Phase: Considerations

- Timed to lifting of travel advisory
- Fact-based and science-focused messages
- Must not be promotional
- Based on WHO/CDC indicators
- Must leverage third-party experts
- Change imagery
- Begin in HK
- Timing for relaunch



Reassurance Phase: Messages

- Restore international and local confidence in HK
- A safe city : science-based
- Overcome the disease : moving back to normal
- International medical health care standards



Reassurance Phase: Messengers

- WHO/CDC
- Hong Kong health authorities
- Global public health experts and officials
- Hong Kong officials
- Hong Kong civic and business leaders
- Hong Kong people



Reassurance Phase: Ideas

- Message of the day
- Large events salute to health care workers, concerts, etc.
- Mobilize various sectors for recovery efforts
- Government to Government communications
- Mobilize third-party experts
- Advertising
- Exhibition and convention/meeting
- International conference on public health in HK





Recovery Phase

Building an Even Stronger Image of Hong Kong



Recovery Phase: Considerations

- Coordinate message/ theme
- Orchestrate and sequence activities



Recovery Phase: Key Messages

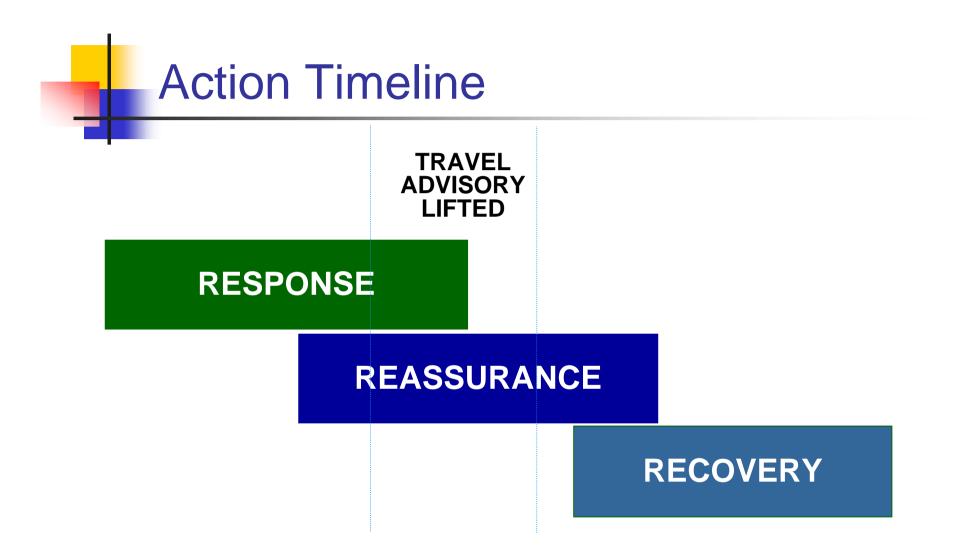
- Life back to normal
- Even better than before : public health care, united society
- Still best for Asia Pacific regional operations and excellent gateway to China
- Safe to visit, and worth a visit



Recovery Phase: Ideas

- Stage major international events to promote HK
- High profile incoming visit programme by international political and business celebrities
- Eye catching promotion of HK as visitor destination
- Local celebration









Views are most welcome for relaunching Hong Kong economy

THANK YOU

