

For Information

**Legislative Council
Commerce and Industry Panel**

Oversees Companies Coming to Invest in Hong Kong

At the Commerce and Industry Panel meeting held on 15 June 2010, Members discussed the "Reports on the work of the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices and the Office of the Government of the HKSAR in Beijing" and asked the Administration to provide information on the number of companies assisted by Brussels Investment Promotion Unit (IPU) coming to invest in Hong Kong, as well as the business nature and number of overseas companies coming to invest in Hong Kong over the past few years. This paper provides Members with the requested information.

2. In 2009, the Brussels IPU assisted 11 companies to establish business operation in Hong Kong.

3. We have prepared at annex for Members' reference a breakdown of the projects, by sector and by source market, completed by Invest Hong Kong¹ for the past three years from 2007 to 2009.

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¹ Invest Hong Kong has representation in 26 cities around the world, comprising IPU in eight overseas ETOs (New York, San Francisco, Toronto, Brussels, London, Berlin, Tokyo, and Sydney) and four Mainland Offices (Beijing Office, Guangdong ETO, Shanghai ETO and Chengdu ETO), and overseas consultant in 14 cities (Singapore, Seoul, Osaka, Mumbai, Bengaluru, Taipei, Dusseldorf, Gothenburg, Istanbul, Milan, Paris, Moscow, Tel Aviv, and Bogota).

Projects Completed by Invest Hong Kong from 2007 to 2009

I. Breakdown by Sector

| Sector | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
|----------------|------------|------------|------------|
| BPS | 35 | 37 | 39 |
| Tech | 32 | 35 | 35 |
| CRS | 36 | 33 | 31 |
| *SP | 30 | 32 | 32 |
| FS | 28 | 26.5 | 30 |
| IT | 22 | 25.5 | 24 |
| T&E | 25 | 25 | 26 |
| Tran | 26 | 22 | 25 |
| TMM | 19 | 21 | 23 |
| Total | 253 | 257 | 265 |

Sectors:

BPS Business and Professional Services

Tech Technology

SP Special Projects

CRS Consumer, Retail and Sourcing

FS Financial Services

T&E Tourism and Entertainment

Tran Transportation

IT Information Technology

TMM Telecommunications, Media and Multi-media

** Completed projects in SP Sector included projects involving environmental technology, wine industry, construction industry, food and beverage sector and industrial products.*

II. Breakdown by Source Market

| Source Market | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
|-------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Europe | 78 | 85 | 92 |
| North America | 55 | 57 | 48 |
| Asia Pacific | 69 | 62 | 66 |
| Mainland of China | 47 | 50 | 48 |
| Others | 4 | 3 | 11 |
| Total | 253 | 257 | 265 |

Source Markets

Europe Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxemburg, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Russia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey and the UK

Asia-Pacific Australia, India, Japan, Kazakhstan, Korea, Malaysia, New Zealand, Singapore and Taiwan

North America Canada and the United States

Others Bermuda, Brazil, the British Virgin Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, Colombia, Iran, Israel, South Africa, the United Arab Emirates and Uruguay.