

Panel on Commerce and Industry

List of outstanding items for discussion
(position as at 16 May 2016)

Timing
for discussion
proposed by the
Administration

1. Government's policy relating to the promotion of research and development and progress report on Research and Development Centres 2015-2016

The Administration will report to the Panel on the Government's policy relating to the promotion of research and development and the operation of Research and Development Centres in 2015-2016.

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2. Research and development of Chinese medicines

The Administration will update the Panel on the progress of efforts in promoting research and development of Chinese medicines.

21 June 2016

(Remarks: At the Panel meeting on 17 November 2015, members agreed that priority should be given to the discussion of the above item in the current legislative session.)

3. Diversified development of industries in Hong Kong

As agreed at the Panel meeting on 21 January 2014 and on the instruction of the Panel Chairman, the Administration will brief the Panel on the initiatives in promoting diversified development of industries, including the fashion industry in Hong Kong.

21 June 2016

(Remarks: At the Panel meeting on 17 November 2015, members requested the Administration to update the Panel on the implementation of various initiatives promoting diversification of industries, including the \$500 million three-year pilot programme for Hong Kong's fashion industry, within the current legislative session. The Administration was also requested to consider combining the discussion of this item with related items such as item 4 on "Progress report on the implementation of the

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Dedicated Fund on Branding, Upgrading and Domestic Sales".)

4. Progress report on the implementation of the Dedicated Fund on Branding, Upgrading and Domestic Sales

The Administration will brief the Panel on the latest implementation progress of the Dedicated Fund on Branding, Upgrading and Domestic Sales.

To be confirmed

5. Progress on the implementation of the new Enterprise Support Scheme under the Innovation and Technology Fund

The Administration will brief the Panel on the implementation progress of the new Enterprise Support Scheme launched in April 2015 to replace the Small Entrepreneur Research Assistance Programme under the Innovation and Technology Fund.

To be confirmed

(Remarks: At the Panel meeting on 16 December 2014 during the deliberation of the item on "Launching of a new Enterprise Support Scheme to replace the Small Entrepreneur Research Assistance Programme under the Innovation and Technology Fund", the Administration undertook to report to the Panel the implementation progress of the Enterprise Support Scheme in due course.)

6. The Silk Road Economic Belt and the 21st Century Maritime Silk Road

At the Panel meeting on 17 November 2015, members requested that the Administration should brief the Panel on the Silk Road Economic Belt and the 21st Century Maritime Silk Road together with the item on "Trade relations between the Mainland and Hong Kong" as soon as practicable.

To be confirmed

(Remarks: The item on "Trade relations between the Mainland and Hong Kong" was discussed at the Panel meeting on 19 April 2016.)

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7. Promoting the industrialization of the beauty industry in Hong Kong

At the Panel meeting on 21 January 2014, the Panel passed a motion moved by Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan on "Promoting the industrialization of the beauty industry in Hong Kong". The Administration was requested to brief the Panel on the relevant initiatives.

To be confirmed

(Remarks: A joint meeting of the Panel on Health Services and the Panel on Commerce and Industry was held on 23 June 2015 to discuss and receive views from deputations on the item "Regulation and development of beauty services". At the Panel meeting on 21 April 2015, Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan requested that the item of "Promoting the industrialization of the beauty industry in Hong Kong" be retained in the list. Members agreed at the Panel meeting on 17 November 2015 that priority should be given to the discussion of this item in the current legislative session.)

8. Support measures for Small and Medium Enterprises

At the Panel meeting on 19 April 2016, members requested that the Administration should update the Panel on the support measures for small and medium enterprises ("SMEs"), including the initiatives on assisting SME in tiding over their liquidity problems.

To be confirmed