

Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting

List of outstanding items for discussion
(position as at 12 October 2015)

Proposed timing
for discussion

**1. Capital Works Reserve Fund Head 710
Computerization Subhead A007GX (Block
Allocation) – New administrative computer
systems**

The Administration will brief the Panel and seek members' support on the funding requirement for 2016-2017 for the implementation of computerization projects under Capital Works Reserve Fund Head 710 Computerization Subhead A007GX (Block Allocation).

November 2015

**2. Review of certain conditions of carrier licences
issued under the Telecommunications Ordinance
(Cap. 106)**

The Administration will brief the Panel on the results of the consultation on the review of conditions in carrier licences (other than exclusive licences) issued under the Telecommunications Ordinance ("TO") and the way forward.

November 2015

**3. Proposed creation of two supernumerary
directorate posts in the Communications and
Technology Branch of the Commerce and Economic
Development Bureau**

The Administration will consult the Panel on the proposed creation of one supernumerary Administrative Officer Staff Grade B post and one supernumerary Administrative Officer Staff Grade C post to lead a team in reviewing the TO and the Broadcasting Ordinance ("BO").

November 2015

**Proposed timing
for discussion**

4. Review on regulation of person-to-person telemarketing calls

The Administration will brief the Panel on the result of the Consultancy Study on person-to-person telemarketing calls and the way forward.

4th quarter 2015

5. Progress report on the work of Hong Kong Design Centre

The Administration will update the Panel on the progress of the work of the Hong Kong Design Centre and the relevant initiatives taken to promote design since December 2014.

4th quarter 2015 /
1st quarter 2016

6. Update on the work of the Create Hong Kong

The Administration will update the Panel on the latest work of Create Hong Kong in promoting the development of creative industries since February 2015.

January 2016

7. Annual report on Cyberport

The Administration and the Cyberport management will update the Panel on the progress of the Cyberport Project since May 2015.

May 2016

8. Progress report on digital inclusion

The Administration will update the Panel on the latest progress of the digital inclusion, including the progress of implementation of the Internet Learning Support Programme since April 2015.

June 2016

9. Progress update on the e-Government development

The Administration will update the Panel on the latest progress of e-Government development since June 2015.

June 2016

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for discussion**

10. Progress update on digital economy

The Administration will brief the Panel on the progress of the initiatives that facilitate a digital economy under the Digital 21 Strategy since July 2015.

July 2016

11. Information security

The Administration will update the Panel on the latest progress of Government's information security programmes since July 2015.

July 2016

12. Digital terrestrial television update

The Administration will update the Panel on the latest progress of implementation of digital terrestrial television services since February 2013.

To be confirmed

13. Review of the Broadcasting Ordinance and the Telecommunications Ordinance

During the deliberation of the Bills Committee on Communications Authority Bill, the Administration advised that a staged approach would be adopted in modernizing the regulatory regime for the broadcasting and telecommunications sectors. The Administration would first establish the Communications Authority ("CA") through the structural merger of the former Telecommunications Authority ("TA") and the Broadcasting Authority ("BA") to enable CA to deal with increasing market convergence as soon as possible. Upon establishment, CA would take over the existing functions of the TA and the BA under the TO, the BO and other relevant ordinances applicable to the broadcasting and telecommunications sectors. The Administration and CA would then carry out a review of the existing regulatory regimes and introduce legislative changes to update and rationalize the TO and the BO.

To be confirmed

At the Panel meeting on 16 October 2012, Hon Charles Peter MOK requested that the Administration should brief the Panel on the progress of the matter.

**Proposed timing
for discussion**

14. Spectrum trading

The former Office of the Telecommunications Authority (replaced by the Office of the Communications Authority since 1 April 2012) appointed a consultant to study the feasibility of introducing radio spectrum trading in Hong Kong for facilitating economic and technically efficient use of this scarce public resource. The Administration is examining the recommendations made by the consultant, together with the latest international trend and the market situation in Hong Kong in detail to map out the way forward.

To be confirmed

On 24 January 2013, the Administration requested that discussion on the issue, originally scheduled for the meeting on 4 February 2013, be deferred. The Administration will brief the Panel on the next step of the work plan once ready.