

Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting

List of issues suggested to be considered

(position as at 18 October 2016)

**Proposed timing
for discussion**

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

The Administration will seek the Panel's support for funding the implementation of computerization projects in 2017-2018 under Capital Works Reserve Fund Head 710 Computerization Subhead A007GX (Block Allocation) – New administrative computer systems.

November 2016

**2. 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 January 2016.

1st quarter of 2017

**3. Review on the Development of Digital Audio
Broadcasting**

The Administration will brief the Panel on the review on the development of digital audio broadcasting.

1st quarter of 2017

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

At the Panel meeting on 11 April 2016, the Administration briefed the Panel on the findings of the survey on person-to-person telemarketing calls.

1st quarter of 2017

The Administration will brief the Panel on the conduct of the public consultation on the regulation of person-to-person telemarketing calls.

**Proposed timing
for discussion**

5. Update on the work of 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 March 2016.

1st/2nd quarter of
2017

6. Arrangements for the frequency spectrum in the 900 MHz and 1800 MHz bands upon expiry of the existing frequency assignments

The existing assignments of spectrum in the 900 MHz and 1800 MHz bands will expire between November 2020 and September 2021. Following the first consultation on the arrangements for re-assignment conducted in early 2016, the Administration will brief the Panel on the second consultation scheduled to be launched in the first half of 2017.

2nd quarter of 2017

7. Update on the work of Cyberport in nurturing the Information and Communications Technology Ecosystem in Hong Kong

The Administration and the Cyberport management will update the Panel on the role of Cyberport in nurturing the information and communications technology ecosystem in Hong Kong and the latest work progress of Cyberport.

May 2017

8. Smart City development

The Administration will brief the Panel on the initiatives of Smart City development.

June 2017

9. Review of the Broadcasting Ordinance and the Telecommunications Ordinance

The Panel is aware that the Administration is committed to reviewing the existing regulatory regimes and introducing legislative changes to the Telecommunications Ordinance (Cap. 106) and the Broadcasting Ordinance (Cap. 562) ("the Ordinances") following the establishment of the Communications Authority on 1 April 2012.

To be confirmed

**Proposed timing
for discussion**

At the Panel meeting held on 9 November 2015, the Panel supported the creation of two supernumerary directorate posts in the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau to lead a team in reviewing the Ordinances. The Finance Committee approved creation of the posts in June 2016. The Administration will brief the Panel on the latest development of the review.

10. 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. In June 2016, the Administration indicated that it would conduct a study on the latest overseas experience including the updated market situation to chart the way forward. The Administration will brief the Panel on the progress of this matter.

To be confirmed

11. 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