

**Panel on Commerce and Industry**

**List of outstanding items for discussion  
(position as at 12 November 2020)**

**Timing  
for discussion  
proposed by the  
Administration**

**1. Briefings by the Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, the Secretary for Constitutional and Mainland Affairs and the Secretary for Innovation and Technology on the Chief Executive's 2020 Policy Address**

The Administration will brief the Panel on relevant policy initiatives in the Chief Executive's 2020 Policy Address.

15 December 2020  
(Subject to the delivery date of the Chief Executive's 2020 Policy Address)

**2. Phase 2 of the Hong Kong Science Park Expansion Programme and the latest development of the Hong Kong Science Park and industrial estates**

The Administration will consult the Panel on the allocation of HK\$3 billion to the Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation to take forward Phase 2 of the Science Park Expansion Programme and brief the Panel on the latest development of the Hong Kong Science Park and industrial estates.

January 2021

**3. Support measures for Small and Medium Enterprises**

The Administration will brief the Panel on the latest development of support measures for small and medium enterprises.

January 2021

**4. Trade relations between the Mainland and Hong Kong**

The Administration will brief the Panel on the latest development of the trade relations between the Mainland and Hong Kong.

February 2021

**Timing  
for discussion  
proposed by the  
Administration**

**5. Hong Kong's participation in the Belt and Road Initiative**

The Administration will brief the Panel on the development and work of the Government in promoting Hong Kong's participation in the Belt and Road Initiative.

First quarter of 2021

**6. Support measures for Small and Medium Enterprises provided by Hong Kong Trade Development Council**

The Administration will brief the Panel on the support measures for small and medium enterprises provided by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council.

First quarter of 2021

**7. Discussions on investment facilitation initiatives at multilateral and regional fora**

The Administration will brief the Panel on the progress of investment and trade facilitation initiatives being discussed at the World Trade Organization and Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation.

First quarter of 2021

**8. Findings of the survey of companies in Hong Kong with parent companies located outside Hong Kong and the survey of startups in Hong Kong**

The Administration will brief the Panel on the key findings of the two surveys.

First quarter of 2021

**9. Implementation of the Free Trade Agreement and Investment Agreement between Hong Kong, China and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations**

The Administration will brief the Panel on the implementation of the Free Trade Agreement and Investment Agreement between Hong Kong, China and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations.

First or second quarter of 2021

**Timing  
for discussion  
proposed by the  
Administration**

**10. Promotion of inward investment**

The Administration will update the Panel on the work of Invest Hong Kong in 2020 and outline the way forward for 2021-2022.

Second quarter of 2021

**11. Progress report of the funding schemes under the Innovation and Technology Fund**

The Administration will brief the Panel on the latest progress of the funding schemes under the Innovation and Technology Fund.

Second quarter of 2021

**12. Implementation of the Original Grant Patent System**

The Administration will brief the Panel on the implementation of the Original Grant Patent System, which was launched in December 2019.

Second quarter of 2021

**13. Progress report on Research and Development Centres in 2019-2020 and 2020-2021**

The Administration will brief the Panel on the operation of the Research and Development Centres in 2019-2020 and 2020-2021.

Second quarter of 2021

**14. Convention and exhibition industry in Hong Kong**

The Administration will brief the Panel on the development of convention and exhibition industry in Hong Kong.

Second quarter of 2021

**15. Outcome of the Twelfth World Trade Organization Ministerial Conference**

The Administration will brief the Panel on the outcome of the Twelfth World Trade Organization Ministerial Conference.

Second quarter of 2021

**Timing  
for discussion  
proposed by the  
Administration**

**16. Updating the Rules of the High Court (Cap. 4A) in relation to court proceedings under the Patents Ordinance (Cap. 514), Registered Designs Ordinance (Cap. 522) and Trade Marks Ordinance (Cap. 559)**

The Administration will brief the Panel on the proposed legislative exercise to update the Rules of the High Court and three other relevant pieces of subsidiary legislation.

To be confirmed

**17. Report on the work of the overseas Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices and the Offices of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in the Mainland and Taiwan in 2019-2020**

In view of the latest developments of the global COVID-19 pandemic, the Administration has proposed to call off annual meeting for Heads of overseas Economic and Trade Offices ("ETOs") and Mainland Offices in 2020. As advised by the Administration, members may wish to refer to the regular bi-monthly reports submitted to the Legislative Council by overseas and Mainland ETOs, the latest ones covering July and August 2020 were issued to all Members on 22 October 2020. The next report for September and October 2020 will be issued to Members in mid-December 2020.

The Administration has proposed that this item be removed from the list