

**Progress Report on
The Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals**

(From 1 October 2013 to 31 March 2014)

I. Employment applications

The Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals was implemented on 15 July 2003. Between 1 October 2013 and 31 March 2014, **5,069** entry applications for employment were received (monthly average: **845**). In the same period, **4,210** applications were approved, **443** refused and **327** withdrawn/with no further action taken. As at 31 March 2014, **1,364** applications were under processing.

II. Breakdown of approval cases

| Employer Sector | Number of Approval Cases | | Total |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| | Short-term * employment | Long-term employment | |
| Academic research and education | 865 | 302 | 1,167 |
| Architecture/surveying | 4 | 19 | 23 |
| Arts/culture | 1,338 | 13 | 1,351 |
| Biotechnology | 0 | 8 | 8 |
| Catering industry | 5 | 18 | 23 |
| Commerce and trade | 26 | 386 | 412 |
| Engineering & Construction | 55 | 115 | 170 |
| Financial services | 54 | 404 | 458 |
| Information technology | 40 | 123 | 163 |
| Legal services | 8 | 41 | 49 |
| Manufacturing industries | 6 | 24 | 30 |
| Medical and health services | 12 | 13 | 25 |
| Recreation and sports | 73 | 9 | 82 |
| Telecommunications | 1 | 21 | 22 |
| Tourism | 0 | 8 | 8 |
| Traditional Chinese Medicine | 5 | 0 | 5 |
| Others | 88 | 126 | 214 |
| Total | 2,580 | 1,630 | 4,210 |

* Short-term applications refer to those with an employment period of less than 12 months.

III. Employers

The approved cases involved a total of **864** employers, of which **6** were local universities and other education institutions, **22** partnership firms and **1** non-profit-making companies exempted from business registration. The paid up capital of the remaining **835** employers are as follows:

| Paid up Capital | Number of Employers |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Below HK\$1 million | 658 |
| HK\$1 million to below HK\$10 million | 70 |
| HK\$10 million to HK\$100 million | 62 |
| Over HK\$100 million | 45 |
| Total | 835 |

IV. Education attainment

| Academic Attainment | Number of Approval Cases | | Total |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| | Short-term employment | Long-term employment | |
| Doctoral degree | 285 | 139 | 424 |
| Master degree | 210 | 492 | 702 |
| Bachelor degree or equivalent | 1,144 | 900 | 2,044 |
| Other qualifications | 941 | 99 | 1,040 |
| Total | 2,580 | 1,630 | 4,210 |

V. Monthly remuneration

| Remuneration Range (HK\$) | Number of Approval Cases | | Total |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| | Short-term employment | Long-term employment | |
| Below 20,000 | 1,996 | 434 | 2,430 |
| 20,000 to 29,999 | 321 | 362 | 683 |
| 30,000 to 39,999 | 130 | 263 | 393 |
| 40,000 to 49,999 | 50 | 150 | 200 |
| 50,000 to 79,999 | 57 | 239 | 296 |
| 80,000 to 119,999 | 20 | 100 | 120 |
| 120,000 to 179,999 | 2 | 55 | 57 |
| 180,000 to 239,999 | 0 | 16 | 16 |
| 240,000 to 279,999 | 3 | 2 | 5 |
| 280,000 and above | 1 | 9 | 10 |
| Total | 2,580 | 1,630 | 4,210 |

VI. Cumulative total

As at the end of March 2014, a cumulative total of **80,223** entry applications for employment were received. Of these, **67,251** applications were approved, **4,341** refused and **7,267** withdrawn/required no further action. The remaining **1,364** were under processing.

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