# **Progress Report on the Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals**

(From 1 October 2014 to 31 March 2015)

## I. Employment applications

The Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals was implemented on 15 July 2003. Between 1 October 2014 and 31 March 2015, **5 124** entry applications for employment were received (monthly average: **854**). In the same period, **4 473** applications were approved, **393** refused and **380** withdrawn/no further action taken. As at 31 March 2015, **1 327** applications were under processing.

#### II. Breakdown of approval cases

Employer Sector	Number of Approval Cases		
	Short-term * employment	Long-term employment	Total
Academic research and education	900	286	1 186
Architecture/surveying	11	50	61
Arts/culture	1 168	29	1 197
Biotechnology	0	4	4
Catering industry	11	11	22
Commerce and trade	16	355	371
Engineering & Construction	90	138	228
Financial services	99	545	644
Information technology	33	122	155
Legal services	7	39	46
Manufacturing industries	0	16	16
Medical and health services	12	27	39
Recreation and sports	62	16	78
Telecommunications	9	28	37
Tourism	4	6	10
Traditional Chinese Medicine	1	0	1
Others	153	225	378
Total	2 576	1 897	4 473

<sup>\*</sup> Short-term applications refer to those with employment period of less than 12 months.

### III. Employers

A total of **1 256** employers are involved, of which **21** are local universities and other education institutions, **29** are partnership firms and **126** non-profit-making companies exempted from business registration. The paid up capital of the remaining **1 080** employers are as follows:

Paid up Capital	Number of Employers
Below HK\$1 million	703
HK\$1 million to below HK\$10 million	129
HK\$10 million to HK\$100 million	109
Over HK\$100 million	139
Total	1 080

#### IV. Education attainment

Academic Attainment	Number of Approval Cases		
	Short-term employment	Long-term employment	Total
Doctoral degree	257	125	382
Master degree	255	607	862
Bachelor degree or equivalent	1 333	1 070	2 403
Other qualifications	731	95	826
Total	2 576	1 897	4 473

#### V. Monthly remuneration

Remuneration Range (HK\$)	Number of Approval Cases		
	Short-term employment	Long -term employment	Total
Below 20,000	1 828#	374	2 202
20,000 to 29,999	390	393	783
30,000 to 39,999	175	342	517
40,000 to 49,999	54	181	235
50,000 to 79,999	70	325	395
80,000 to 119,999	42	157	199
120,000 to 179,999	14	74	88
180,000 to 239,999	1	26	27
240,000 to 279,999	0	13	13
280,000 and above	2	12	14
Total	2 576	1 897	4 473

Including 1 136 applications for short-term jobs with employment period of less than one month, the wages of which have not been calculated for the full month.

# VI. Cumulative total

As at the end of March 2015, a cumulative total of **91 172** entry applications for employment were received. Of these, **76 529** applications were approved (57% of which were for short-term employment), **5 170** refused and **8 146** withdrawn/required no further action. The remaining **1 327** were under processing.

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