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LegCo Panel on Education concludes duty visit in Germany and Switzerland (with photos)

The delegation of the Legislative Council ("LegCo") Panel on Education concluded its duty visit in Germany and Switzerland yesterday (25 September) and returned to Hong Kong today (26 September).

Members of the delegation started the last day of its duty visit by meeting with Mr Andres MEERSTETTER, Head of the Vocational Education and Training Administration of the Canton Zurich. Members of the delegation learnt about the implementation of vocational education and training ("VET") and professional education and training in the Canton Zurich.

The delegation then visited a leading telecommunications enterprise in Switzerland, Swisscom, to meet with representatives of its apprentices, coaches and trainers to get a better understanding of vocational training at Swisscom.

In the afternoon, delegation members visited the School for Crafts and Construction in Zurich ("BBZ") and met with the Director of BBZ, Mr Rainer HOFER. BBZ is one of the largest VET schools in Switzerland with more than 4 500 apprentices and students. While touring around BBZ, delegation members had the opportunity to exchange views with apprentices on their learning experience at BBZ.

The delegation also called on the Zurich University of Applied Sciences ("ZHAW"), one of the leading universities of applied sciences in Switzerland. Members were briefed by the Head of International Relations of the School of Engineering at ZHAW, Professor Armin ZÜGER, that the teaching, research and continuing education offered by ZHAW are both scientifically based and practice-oriented. During a tour of the campus, delegation members took the chance to exchange views with students on their learning experience at ZHAW.

Before departing for Hong Kong, Hon IP Kin-yuen, leader of the delegation, described the duty visit to Germany and Switzerland as fruitful as Members obtained a deeper understanding of VET policy in the two countries. "Through discussions with government officials and representatives of education institutions and trade associations, we gained an insight into the roles of and collaboration between the Government, education sector and business sector in the provision of VET," said Hon IP.

"We also had a few exchanges with VET students. We are pleased to find that the young people consider VET an effective articulation pathway for them to further their study and career," continued Hon IP.

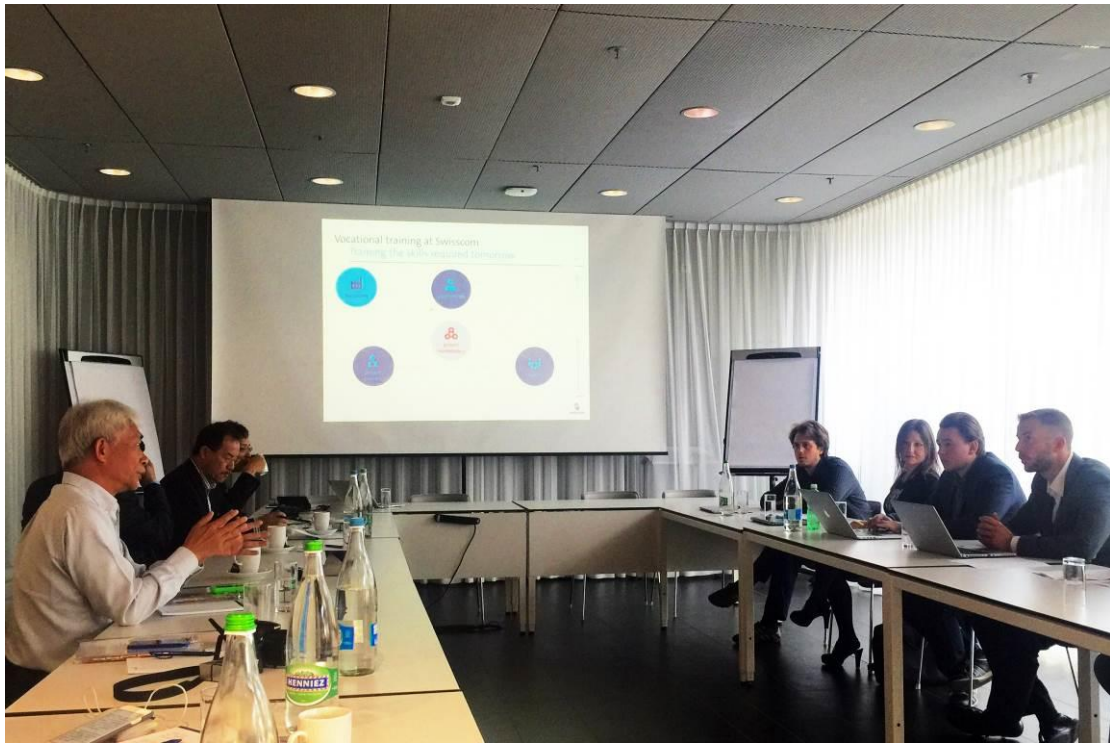
The delegation, conducted a duty visit in Germany and Switzerland from 21 September to 25 September, is led by Hon IP Kin-yuen, Deputy Chairman of LegCo Panel on Education. Other members include Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung, Hon TAM Yiu-chung, Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che, Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung and Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan who are Panel members, as well as Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT who is a non-Panel Member.

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The leader of the delegation of the Legislative Council Panel on Education, Hon IP Kin-yuen (right), presents a souvenir to the Head of the Vocational Education and Training Administration of the Canton Zurich, Mr Andres MEERSTETTER (left).



The delegation of the Legislative Council Panel on Education meets with representatives of Swisscom to learn about the apprenticeship programme at the enterprise. Swisscom is a leading telecommunications enterprise in Switzerland.



The delegation of the Legislative Council Panel on Education receives a briefing by the Director of School for Crafts and Construction in Zurich, Mr Rainer HOFER (first left), on the teaching facilities at the School.



The delegation of the Legislative Council Panel on Education tours the campus of the Zurich University of Applied Sciences.



The delegation of the Legislative Council Panel on Education and the Head of International Relations of the School of Engineering, Zurich University of Applied Sciences, Professor Armin ZÜGER (front row, center), pose for a group photo.