Panel on Commerce and Industry

List of outstanding items for discussion (position as at 14 October 2019)

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 2019 Policy Address

The Administration will brief the Panel on relevant policy initiatives in the Chief Executive's 2019 Policy Address.

29 October 2019

2. New support measures for small and medium enterprises

The Administration will brief the Panel on the proposed enhancements to the Dedicated Fund on Branding, Upgrading and Domestic Sales and the SME Export Marketing Fund, as well as the proposed introduction of a new loan guarantee product under the SME Financing Guarantee Scheme.

29 October 2019

3. 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 2018-2019

The Administration will brief the Panel on the work of the 13 overseas Economic and Trade Offices, the Office of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in Beijing, the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices in Guangdong, Shanghai, Chengdu and Wuhan, as well as the Hong Kong Economic, Trade and Cultural Office (Taiwan) since the last report in November 2018.

November 2019

Timing for discussion proposed by the Administration

4. Progress report on Research and Development Centres and extension of operation of the Centres beyond 2020-2021

The Administration will brief the Panel on the operation of the Research and Development ("R&D") Centres and seek the Panel's support to extend the operation of the R&D Centres beyond 2020-2021.

November 2019

5. Progress of the implementation of the Professional Services Advancement Support Scheme

The Administration will brief the Panel on the progress of the implementation of the Professional Services Advancement Support Scheme and the way forward.

December 2019

6. 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.

December 2019

7. Latest development of the Hong Kong Science Park and industrial estates

The Administration will brief the Panel on the latest development First quarter of 2020 of the Hong Kong Science Park and industrial estates.

Timing
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Administration

8. Trade relations between the Mainland and Hong Kong

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

First quarter of 2020

9. 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 ("ITF"). First quarter of 2020

At the meeting on 15 January 2019, the Administration was requested to provide supplementary information on the details of each of the funding schemes under ITF since their launch. The Administration's reply was circulated to members on 18 March 2019 vide LC Paper No. CB(1)724/18-19(01). At the meeting on 19 March 2019, the Panel considered Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan's request and agreed to further discuss with the Administration the effectiveness of the funding schemes under ITF.

10. Progress of development of Trade Single Window

The Administration will brief the Panel on the progress of the development of Trade Single Window ("TSW") and seek the Panel's support for the funding proposal for the information technology system for implementation of Phase 2 of TSW.

First quarter of 2020

11. 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 2020

Timing for discussion proposed by the Administration

12. Revamp of the small and medium enterprise service centres under Trade and Industry Department, Hong Kong Productivity Council, Hong Kong Trade Development Council and Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation

The Administration will brief the Panel on the enhanced integrated services to be provided by the various small and medium enterprise ("SME") service centres after the revamp, as well as the simplified application procedures adopted under various SME-related funding schemes.

Second quarter of 2020

13. 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.

Second quarter of 2020

14. Promotion of inward investment

The Administration will update the Panel on the work of Invest Hong Kong in 2019 and outline the way forward for 2020-2021.

Second quarter of 2020

15. Convention and exhibition facilities in Hong Kong

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

Second quarter of 2020

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