

# Asian Youth Orchestra performs in Seoul (with photos)

The Asian Youth Orchestra (AYO) gave a concert at the Sejong Center for the Performing Arts in Seoul, Korea, today (August 23) as part of its concert tour across Asia.

Speaking at a reception before the concert, the Principal Representative of Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office, Ms Shirley Yung, said that Hong Kong and Korea had for many years enjoyed very close bilateral relations, not only in business and trade but also in cultural exchanges.

"Tonight's concert is part of the annual world tour of the AYO performed by 100 young and talented musicians from various parts of Asia, including 10 from Korea. It has been nine years since the AYO last performed in Korea in 2010, and I look forward to more exchanges and collaboration in arts and culture between Hong Kong and Korea in future," Ms Yung said.

Based in Hong Kong, the AYO attracts many bright young musicians from all over Asia to Hong Kong every year, and takes them to different parts of the world for performances and cultural exchanges.

The concert is supported by the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government.

