

# CE-elect's Office set to ensure smooth transition (with photo)

The Government announced today (May 3) that the Office of the Chief Executive-elect (CE-elect) has been established to ensure a smooth transition to the new term of government.

The CE-elect's Office will support the CE-elect in undertaking major tasks including forming a governing team for the new term of Government; preparing for drawing up a policy plan for the new government based on the CE-elect's election manifesto; making arrangements with the incumbent government for a smooth transition including major events relating to the celebration of the 25th anniversary of Hong Kong's return to the Motherland, and liaising with different sectors of the community and participating in various official activities.

"The CE-elect's Office is now ready to commence operation. The CE-elect's Office will have five posts at directorate level and over 20 at non-directorate levels. The Government has deployed civil servants to fill four directorate posts, including the Secretary-General of the CE-elect's Office, the Private Secretary, Deputy Private Secretary and Press Secretary to the CE-elect," a government spokesman said.

The CE-elect's Office is housed in the Immigration Tower at Gloucester Road, Wanchai, on the 26th floor. It will formally commence operation on the day the sixth-term CE is elected and will cease to operate by June 30, 2022.

Mr Daniel Cheng Chung-wai, formerly Director of Administration, assumed the post of Secretary-General (designate), CE-elect's Office today.

Commenting on the appointment, the Secretary for the Civil Service, Mr Patrick Nip, said, "Mr Cheng is a seasoned Administrative Officer with rich experience in public administration. I believe that he will serve with professionalism in the new capacity to ensure a smooth transition to the new term of government."

A brief biographical note on Mr Cheng is as follows:

Mr Daniel Cheng Chung-wai

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Mr Cheng joined the Administrative Service in July 1989 and rose to the rank of Administrative Officer Staff Grade B1 in April 2018. He has served in various bureaux and departments, including the former Finance Branch, the former City and New Territories Administration, the former Health and Welfare Branch, the former Trade and Industry Branch, the Office of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in Beijing, the former Planning and Lands Bureau, the former Commerce, Industry and Technology Bureau and the former Education and Manpower Bureau. He was Deputy Secretary for

Constitutional and Mainland Affairs from July 2010 to September 2016, Deputy Secretary for Food and Health (Food) from September 2016 to July 2020, and has been serving as Director of Administration since July 2020.

