

# Civil Service College holds first seminar in Executive Series on Brokering North and South: China in a Multipolar World (with photos)

The Civil Service College (CSC) launched the Executive Series on Brokering North and South: China in a Multipolar World. The first seminar on the topic of "A Century of Exploration of the Chinese Path and its Global Significance" was delivered by the Dean of the China Institute of Fudan University, Professor Zhang Weiwei, and chaired by the Chairman of the Advisory Committee of the China Institute of Fudan University, Mr Eric Li, at the CSC today (July 15).

Addressing the seminar, the Head of the CSC, Mr Oscar Kwok, said that the rise of China and the Global South has had a profound impact on the international order. A multipolar world is emerging. Hong Kong is the most internationalised city of China, with a unique blend of Chinese and Western cultures, an edge in language proficiency, and systems that are highly compatible with international practices. Hong Kong can capitalise on its distinctive advantages to connect the country with international markets and deepen mutual understanding through increased international collaboration and exchanges of people, thereby making facts about China known to people from around the world. Therefore, cultivating civil servants' in-depth understanding of national developments and the international landscape, and enhancing their international perspectives and communication capabilities, is an important area of focus of the CSC for senior civil servants.

More than 220 civil servants in directorate, senior and middle ranks from 49 bureaux/departments attended the seminar in person or online today.

The Executive Series on Brokering North and South: China in a Multipolar World invites renowned scholars and leaders from the Mainland and overseas as guest speakers to inspire civil servants to reflect on the influence of China, as a major player in a multipolar world, on the global community amid the rise of the Global South and profound changes in the international landscape, and to explore how Hong Kong, as a city where East meets West, should leverage its strengths in its unique role in connecting the country with the world. It covers subjects pertaining to the rise of the Global South and international order, new quality productive forces and global developments, preservation and innovation of fine traditions of culture and art and international communication, and a holistic approach to national security and global initiatives, etc.

