

Civil Service College holds talk on Belt and Road Initiative (with photos)

The Civil Service College (CSC) today (November 29) held a talk of the series on the country's foreign affairs jointly with the Office of the Commissioner of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (OCMFA) in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR). The talk, on the topic of "The high-quality development of the Belt and Road Initiative and policy recommendations for Hong Kong's participation in the Initiative", was delivered by the Director-General of the Department of International Economic Affairs of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA), Mr Li Kexin.

Addressing the talk, the Secretary for the Civil Service, Mrs Ingrid Yeung, said that Hong Kong, with its distinctive advantages of enjoying strong support of the motherland and being closely connected to the world under the "one country, two systems" principle, has been playing the role of both a participant and an enabler of the Belt and Road Initiative. Hong Kong has been actively promoting exchanges and co-operation among participating countries and regions, aiming to achieve mutual benefits and win-win results. As an international financial centre, Hong Kong leverages its well established, comprehensive professional services and the unique advantage of the common law system, actively expanding co-operation with Belt and Road partners in such areas as economy and trade, innovation and technology, infrastructure development, among others. This talk will undoubtedly help civil servants acquire an accurate understanding of Hong Kong's significant role in the international platform of the Belt and Road Initiative, enabling them to better support the HKSAR Government in proactively integrating into the overall development of the country and furthering the high-quality development of the Belt and Road Initiative.

About 100 senior officials and civil servants in the directorate and senior ranks attended the talk at the CSC today.

The CSC and the OCMFA have been jointly organising this series of talks on the country's foreign affairs since late 2021. This year's series includes the thematic briefing session on "International Landscape and China's Foreign Relations in 2023" and a number of talks on topics such as "China's Relations with Southeast Asian Countries" and the latest development of China-United States relations, etc. The talks are delivered by relevant officials of the MFA.

