

[DGCA visits Beijing \(with photos\)](#)

The Director-General of Civil Aviation, Mr Victor Liu, visited Beijing between August 12 and 15, and paid a courtesy call on the Civil Aviation Administration of China (CAAC) for in-depth exchanges on civil aviation matters.

Mr Liu called on the Administrator of the CAAC, Mr Song Zhiyong, and expressed his gratitude for the CAAC's great support to the aviation industry of Hong Kong throughout the years. During the meeting, both parties exchanged views on matters of common interest of the Mainland and Hong Kong civil aviation sectors, and sought ways to further strengthen close co-operation under the new opportunities of national and civil aviation developments to consolidate and enhance Hong Kong's status as an international aviation hub.

Mr Liu also met with Deputy Administrator of the CAAC Mr Hu Zhenjiang and representatives from the relevant bureaus, and exchanged views on promoting closer co-operation mechanisms for the aviation safety of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area. Ways to strengthen further co-operation in aircraft operation, airworthiness certification, maintenance, talent exchanges as well as other aspects in order to promote the safety and efficiency of the aviation industry were explored during the meeting.

During the visit, Mr Liu also signed the new Tripartite Agreement on Search and Rescue and Salvage of Crashed Aircraft with the Director General of the Rescue and Salvage Bureau of the Ministry of Transport of the People's Republic of China, Mr Wang Lei, and the Chief Accident and Safety Investigator of the Air Accident Investigation Authority of Hong Kong, Mr Man Ka-chai.

The new Tripartite Agreement will effectively strengthen co-operation on the search and rescue and salvage of crashed aircraft, enhancing the communication and technical information exchanges among the three parties. This will further improve the capability and effectiveness of the search and rescue and salvage of crashed aircraft within the Hong Kong Flight Information Region.

Mr Liu also attended the Asia Pacific Summit for Aviation Safety 2024 (AP-SAS 2024) from August 13 to 15 in Beijing. Leaders of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and civil aviation organisations from various States/Administrations across the Asia-Pacific region gathered at the AP-SAS 2024, including the Secretary General of the ICAO, Mr Juan Carlos Salazar, the ICAO's Asia Pacific Regional Director, Mr Ma Tao, and the Directors-General of regional civil aviation authorities.

Accompanying Mr Liu to Beijing was the Assistant Director-General of Civil Aviation (Flight Standards), Mr Michael Yuen.

Mr Liu will return to Hong Kong today (August 16).

