

FS continues visit in Beijing (with photos)

The Financial Secretary, Mr Paul Chan, continued his visit in Beijing today (July 12).

In the morning, Mr Chan met with the Director of the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council, Mr Xia Baolong. At the meeting, Mr Chan reported to Mr Xia in detail the latest economic and people's livelihood situation in Hong Kong, as well as the strategy and work in consolidating and enhancing Hong Kong's status as an international financial centre, including the further deepening of mutual market access, promoting the development of the asset management business as well as financial inclusion, and the progress of preparing for large-scale international conferences to be held in the second half of this year.

Mr Xia said at the meeting that the Central Authorities would support Hong Kong to continue to give full play to its unique status and edges under the "one country, two systems" principle, maintain its well-established international business environment, create strong impetus for economic growth, and contribute to the high-quality development of the country.

In the afternoon, Mr Chan visited a leading retail cloud solution service provider to learn about how it assists retailers in undergoing digitalisation by applying technologies such as big data, cloud computing and artificial intelligence, thereby enhancing retailers' operation efficiency and consumer experiences. He also introduced to them Hong Kong's advantages as a base for expanding international business.

Mr Chan also visited an enterprise which manufactures satellites and offers satellite Internet solutions. He toured its research and development centre and viewed new generation satellite products to learn about the enterprise's cutting-edge technology and the development of the civil aerospace technology.



