<u>Geospatial Lab officially opens (with photos)</u>

The Geospatial Lab (GeoLab) officially opened today (July 30). The opening ceremony was officiated by the Secretary for Development, Mr Michael Wong.

Speaking at the opening ceremony, Mr Wong said the establishment of the GeoLab is one of the major initiatives of the Common Spatial Data Infrastructure. The lab has "Geospatial" as its theme and is equipped with advanced technology and training facilities. Through the integration of education, experience and practice, it will help raise public interest in spatial data, and explore together with the community the value and application of spatial data in support of smart city development.

The GeoLab is located at <u>Millennium City I</u> in Kwun Tong and has an area of 3 000 square feet. The Tung Wah Group of Hospitals has been selected as the operator through an open tender. The GeoLab will provide fitted-out working space and coaching services to support experimental projects using spatial data and conduct activities such as competitions, workshops and talks. Complementing the Government's emphasis on science, technology, engineering and mathematics education, the GeoLab will regularly hold talks and practical classes for schools to help students master geospatial technology and knowledge, and to enhance their understanding of how to apply spatial data for innovative applications.

The GeoLab is open from 9.30am to 1pm and from 2.15pm to 5.30pm, Monday to Saturday (except public holidays). For more information, please visit its website (www.csdigeolab.gov.hk) or call 3708 7260.



