<u>Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay</u> <u>Area Mediator Panel 2024 officially</u> released

The legal departments of Guangdong Province, the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (SAR) and the Macao SAR today (December 30) officially released the consolidated Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (GBA) Mediator Panel 2024 online. The consolidated panel, with 146 mediators from Hong Kong, Guangdong and Macao, is available on the <u>Department of Justice's (DoJ) website</u>.

The establishment of the GBA Mediator Panel implements the measure in the Action Plan on the Construction of Rule of Law in the GBA released earlier by the DoJ. It will effectively promote the interface of mediation regulatory frameworks of the three places and a wider use of mediation in the GBA, thereby further enhancing the multifaceted dispute resolution mechanism in the GBA.

The panel was jointly formulated by the DoJ of the Hong Kong SAR Government, the Department of Justice of Guangdong Province, and the Office of the Secretary for Administration and Justice of the Macao SAR Government. It has been agreed by the Working Group on the GBA Mediation Platform and endorsed at the GBA Legal Departments Joint Conference.

The DoJ will hold the Hong Kong GBA Mediator Accreditation Ceremony in due course.