## HKETO, Brussels supports Hong Kong musical talent at Rome Chamber Music Festival (with photo)

A talented young oboe player from Hong Kong, Matthew Chin, has taken part in the 15th Rome Chamber Music Festival with the support of the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office, Brussels (HKETO, Brussels). He performed a piece by Sergei Prokofiev to full houses of 200 people on both June 3 and 4 (Rome time), and the performance on June 3 was part of the opening concert of the Festival.

Chin was one of 21 young artists chosen to study and perform with Festival artists in the beautiful Palazzo Barberini, a landmark of baroque architecture and home to the national fine arts gallery, Galleria Nazionale d'Arte Antica, in Rome from June 3 to 7.

Founded in 2003, the Festival presents a diverse programme of masterworks performed by prominent artists and aspiring music talents over its five-day period.

This was the fifth time that a young Hong Kong musician had been selected for the Festival's Young Artist Programme.

HKETO, Brussels regularly supports and promotes Hong Kong's creative industries and enables Hong Kong talents to perform in Europe. For Hong Kong musical talents, so far this year HKETO, Brussels has supported performances by two vocalists and a pianist in Dublin and Paris; a performance by a marimba soloist in The Hague; a performance by the music ensemble Artemisia in Brussels; performances by Ensemble Ad Excellentiam, composed of a pianist, a vocalist and a cellist, in Barcelona and Madrid; and a performance by the ensemble MR Quartet, composed of a cellist, two violinists and a violist, in Lisbon. On Hong Kong cinema, HKETO, Brussels has so far this year supported showcases of the excellence of Hong Kong films at five renowned European film festivals, namely the Dublin International Film Festival in Ireland; the CinemAsia Film Festival in Amsterdam, the Netherlands; the Brussels International Fantasy, Fantastic, Thriller and Science Fiction Film Festival in Belgium; the Far East Film Festival in Udine, Italy; and the Dragon Film Festival in Florence and Prato, Italy. HKETO, Brussels also supported the Hong Kong Pavilion, jointly organised by the Hong Kong Publishing Federation and the Hong Kong Printers Association, of the Bologna Children's Book Fair 2018 held in Italy in March 2018.

