

HKO and Fiji Meteorological Service sign MOU to strengthen meteorological collaboration (with photos)

The Hong Kong Observatory (HKO) and the Fiji Meteorological Service (FMS) signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) on co-operation at the HKO Headquarters today (December 3) to enhance collaboration and exchanges in aeronautical meteorological science and technologies.

The MOU was signed by the Director of the HKO, Dr Chan Pak-wai, and the Deputy Secretary of the Ministry of Public Works, Meteorological Services, and Transport of the Republic of Fiji, Mr George Faga Tavo. The Secretary for Environment and Ecology of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR), Mr Tse Chin-wan; the Director of the FMS, Mr Misaeli Mavoia Funaki; and the Commissioner for Belt and Road of the HKSAR, Mr Nicholas Ho; witnessed the signing ceremony.

At the signing ceremony, Dr Chan said, "The signing of the MOU will promote further collaboration between the two agencies in aeronautical meteorological science and technologies, and will contribute to the regional and global development of weather services in support of international civil air navigation."

Mr Tavo said, "The signing of this MOU between our two organisations is a powerful example of international co-operation and mutual support in the pursuit of safer and more efficient air travel globally. This partnership is a significant step towards enhancing the accuracy, efficiency, and safety of aviation weather forecasting in Fiji, while reinforcing our position as a leader in meteorological services within the region."

Under the signed MOU, the two parties will strengthen collaboration in various areas of aeronautical meteorology, including the exchange of weather data and experience sharing in nowcasting and forecast verification.

