

# Hong Kong Customs presents Elite Enterprise Partnership Award 2024 (with photos)

Hong Kong Customs today (October 16) held an award presentation ceremony of the Elite Enterprise Partnership Award 2024 at the Customs Headquarters Building to commend 18 stakeholders of logistics and intellectual property industries for their proactive co-operation and contribution to Customs. Established in 2022, this year marks the third round of the Award. In the past two presentation ceremonies, eight and 13 enterprises were awarded. Among the awardees this year, four have been presented with the award for three consecutive years. Hong Kong Customs expresses sincere gratitude for their unfailing support to the work of the department.

At the ceremony, the Commissioner of Customs and Excise, Ms Louise Ho, said that the prevalence of e-commerce and online shopping has provided business opportunities for the industry, and brought new challenges to customs work at the same time. Hong Kong Customs attaches great importance to the participation of the private sector to strengthen its enforcement capabilities and recognises the instrumental role played by the industry for the department in striking a balance between clearance efficiency and enforcement effectiveness. Customs will maintain close co-operation with various industries to consolidate the role of Hong Kong as an international transport and logistics hub.

The awardees this year came from various sectors, including those of express couriers, logistics companies, container and terminal companies, logistics associations, and trademark representatives. The diversity of stakeholders showcases the close co-operation and connections between Customs and different enterprises.

The World Customs Organization (WCO) has long been encouraging customs administrations to actively strengthen ties with partners. As the Vice-Chairperson for the Asia/Pacific Region of the WCO, Hong Kong Customs will spare no effort to reinforce the collaborative relationship between customs administrations in the region and the industry. In addition, Hong Kong Customs will promote new collaborative partnerships between regional customs authorities and other stakeholders to tackle the new challenges under the ever-changing enforcement environment.

