

Hong Kong dragon boats race in Berlin waters (with photos)

For the fifth consecutive year, the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office, Berlin (HKETO Berlin) supported the annual Berlin City Cup in dragon boat races on June 30 and July 1 (Berlin time) at the Olympic Regatta Course in Berlin-Grünau.

More than 70 teams across Germany competed in different race categories. Sports fans and families enjoyed the annual dragon boat-themed tug of war as well as culinary and musical highlights alongside the thrilling competition on the water. The Director of HKETO Berlin, Ms Betty Ho, presented trophies to the winning teams on June 30 (Berlin time).

The Office also hosted a booth to promote Hong Kong to visitors and athletes, especially the Hong Kong Dragon Boat Carnival where thousands of spectators cheer for more than 5 000 athletes at the famous Victoria Harbour every year. The three-day festival in Hong Kong has developed into one of the biggest parties and water sport events in the world. With marching bands, entertainers, live music, food trucks and an artificial sand beach. It is the perfect time for visitors to come to Hong Kong to experience the city's vibrant culture and festive appeal.

The 2019 edition of the Hong Kong Dragon Boat Carnival will be held from June 14 to 16 next year (Berlin time). Interested teams abroad can apply to join the international championships races, and experience first-hand vibrancy in Asia's World City.

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