<u>Information Expo on Multiple Pathways</u> 2024 opens today (with photos)

Organised by the Education Bureau (EDB), the Information Expo on Multiple Pathways 2024 (Info Expo) opened today (May 10) at Rotunda 2 of the Kowloonbay International Trade & Exhibition Centre. With the participation of around 30 institutions and organisations, latest information on multiple pathways are being provided to senior secondary school students, parents and teachers with a view to better preparing students for further studies and career paths.

A spokesperson for the EDB said that with the parallel development of the self-financing and publicly-funded post-secondary education sectors, the Government has long been committed to providing quality, flexible and diversified study pathways with multiple entry and exit points for secondary school graduates.

In the 2024/25 academic year, it is estimated that there are about 46 900 full-time locally-accredited post-secondary places to be provided by various institutions, comprising about 22 400 undergraduate places and about 24 500 sub-degree places. Some institutions also provide Diploma of Applied Education (DAE) and other programmes. Hence, there will be sufficient places for eligible students to pursue further studies in Hong Kong.

The opening ceremony of the Info Expo was officiated by the Chairman of the Sub-committee on Support Measures under the Committee on Self-financing Post-secondary Education (CSPE), Ms Carrie Leung, with CSPE members and representatives of self-financing post-secondary institutions and relevant organisations in attendance.

The Info Expo provides information on locally-accredited post-secondary programmes (including programmes eligible for government subsidy schemes, vocational and professional education and training programmes and applied degree programmes), DAE programmes, as well as relevant online platforms such as the Information Portal for Accredited Post-secondary Programmes, the Electronic Advance Application System for Post-secondary Programmes, the Concourse for Self-financing Post-secondary Education, and the Qualifications Framework. There are also more than 10 thematic talks on various programmes, preparation and strategies for articulation to post-secondary education, and experience sharing by post-secondary students.

Admission is free for the two-day Info Expo, and prior registration is not required. There are new interactive games at the EDB booth this year. Participants who complete designated tasks will receive a gift while stock lasts. Secondary students, especially current graduates, parents and teachers, are all welcome to participate.

For details of the Info Expo, please visit the event website (www.cspe.edu.hk/en/Resources-CareerGuidance-MultiplePathwaysExpo.html).



