

London ETO greets Year of Dragon in Edinburgh (with photos)

The Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office, London (London ETO) hosted a reception in Edinburgh, the United Kingdom (UK), on February 8 (London time) for celebrating the Year of the Dragon.

In collaboration with the China-Britain Business Council, London ETO hosted the "Toast to the Dragon" reception for the Chinese Burns Supper which celebrates both the Chinese New Year and the Burns Night.

Speaking at the reception, the Director-General of the London ETO, Mr Gilford Law, highlighted the strong and long standing ties between Hong Kong and the UK as testified by the establishment or expansion of 48 UK companies in Hong Kong last year and elaborated on the key advantages of Hong Kong, including low and simple taxation, common law regime, firm adherence to the rule of law, clean and efficient government, freedom of capital movement, top-notch infrastructure, and the opportunities brought by the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, etc.

Mr Law also spoke about the post-pandemic recovery of Hong Kong following the resumption of normal travel a year ago. He highlighted that Hong Kong received 34 million visitors in 2023 and more than 80 mega events would be taking place in Hong Kong in the first half of 2024, such as ComplexCon Hong Kong, Art Basel Hong Kong, and Hong Kong Sevens.

â€‹The reception was well attended by over 300 guests from business, academic and cultural sectors as well as the Chinese community. Among the guests were the Minister for Small Business, Innovation, Tourism and Trade of the Scottish Government, the Lord Provost of Edinburgh, the Chief Executive of Edinburgh Chamber of Commerce and the Consul General of the People's Republic of China in Edinburgh.



