

## Office for Attracting Strategic Enterprises holds “Meet the Partners” networking event (with photos)

â€‹The Office for Attracting Strategic Enterprises (OASES) held a networking event themed "Meet the Partners" today (November 17). The event was attended by OASES Partners and representatives from six local universities including City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Baptist University, the Chinese University of Hong Kong, the Hong Kong Polytechnic University, the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, and the University of Hong Kong.

The networking event aims to enhance the understanding of local universities and research institutions of strategic enterprises' business development plans and needs. To promote the vibrant development of Hong Kong's innovation and technology (I&T) ecosystem, OASES offers assistance to strategic enterprises in leveraging Hong Kong's policies to further expand their businesses in Hong Kong. During the event, representatives from China Merchants Research Institute of Advanced Technology Company Limited, Lenovo (Hong Kong) Limited and New Horizon Health respectively introduced their business and development plans and conducted in-depth discussion on research-related matters of their operations, with a view to collectively exploring a new horizon for the industry sector, academia and research cluster via exchanges and collaborations.

In his opening remarks, the Director-General of OASES, Mr Philip Yung, said that OASES has been working closely with local universities and research institutions since its establishment. In addition to attracting strategic enterprises to set up their operations in Hong Kong, OASES also serves to connect strategic enterprises landing in Hong Kong with local and Mainland universities, I&T enterprises or relevant institutions for collaboration to enhance synergy, hence promoting the development of Hong Kong and the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area. Currently, local universities possess an array of potential research and development (R&D) outcomes of original core technologies or deep technology. Mr Yung said he trusts that the launch of the Research, Academic and Industry Sectors One-plus Scheme by the Government last month will encourage more enterprises to participate or invest in R&D projects and I&T start-up activities for commercialisation of R&D outcomes, thereby enhancing the collaboration among the Government, the industry sector, universities and research institutions to fully unleash the potential of transforming the R&D outcomes of local universities.

OASES will continue to organise various business networking events to engage strategic enterprises and stakeholders for jointly promoting the development of Hong Kong's I&T ecosystem.

