

Registration and nomination invited for Labour Advisory Board Election of Employee Representatives

The Labour Department is inviting employee unions registered under the Trade Unions Ordinance (TUO) to register as electors, appoint authorised representatives to vote and nominate candidates for the coming 2019-20 Labour Advisory Board (LAB) Election of Employee Representatives.

"Registration as electors, appointment of authorised representatives and nomination of candidates start today (September 17) and will close on October 9, 2018 (Tuesday)," a spokesperson for the department said.

The current term of the LAB will expire on December 31 this year. An election of five employee representatives to the LAB for its next two-year tenure, ending December 31, 2020, will be held at Mei Foo Community Hall, 1/F, Mei Foo Government Complex, on November 10 (Saturday) this year. Authorised representatives may cast their votes at that polling station between 11am and 4pm.

All employee unions registered under the TUO on or before today are eligible to nominate candidates to run for the election. Unions that have registered as electors in LAB elections held in 2006 or thereafter need not re-register as electors but have to appoint authorised representatives in order to vote in the election.

"We have sent out today related forms and copies of the rules and procedures for the election to all employee unions with valid registration in the Labour Department's register of trade unions," the spokesperson said.

Meanwhile, the department has invited five employer associations to nominate one representative each to sit for the next tenure of the LAB as employer representatives. These associations are the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, the Chinese Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong, the Employers' Federation of Hong Kong, the Federation of Hong Kong Industries and the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce.

Enquiries on matters relating to the election can be made at 2852 4024.

The LAB is a tripartite consultative body comprising representatives of employees and employers to advise the Commissioner for Labour on labour matters.