

Scheme on Corporate Summer Internship on the Mainland and Overseas 2019 opens for applications (with photos)

The Chief Secretary for Administration, Mr Matthew Cheung Kin-chung, today (February 18) officiated at the launch ceremony of the Scheme on Corporate Summer Internship on the Mainland and Overseas 2019. He presented certificates to interns who participated in the Pilot Scheme on Corporate Summer Internship on the Mainland and Overseas last summer and announced a new round of the Scheme. The Scheme will accept applications from today until March 22.

Speaking at the ceremony, Mr Cheung said that one of the priorities of youth development work of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government is to provide more opportunities for young people to experience the work culture of different places, thereby broadening their horizons. In view of the success of the Pilot Scheme, the Government is expanding the scheme in 2019 with a view to nurturing outstanding talents with an affection for Hong Kong, a sense of national identity and an international perspective.

The number of major companies participating in the Scheme has increased to 18 this year. They are all well-established enterprises based in Hong Kong and have undertaken to provide more than 280 internship places on the Mainland including cities in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area and Beijing, Shanghai, Chengdu, Chongqing and Xiamen, as well as overseas countries including Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, Vietnam, the United Kingdom, Sweden and Japan. The internship placements cover various industries such as financial services, the energy sector, property development and management, and public utilities services (please refer to Annex for details of the internship placements). Apart from offering these young people quality internship placements outside Hong Kong, participating companies will also shoulder key expenditure items including airfare and accommodation. The companies will also assign dedicated personnel to provide training and support to the interns.

Interns should be undergraduate or postgraduate students holding a valid Hong Kong Permanent Identity Card. The internship placements will take place from May to September this year and last for no less than six weeks.

The Government will continue to organise large-scale promotion for the Scheme and arrange for the interns a series of activities to enrich their learning experience and broaden their horizons.

Details of the Scheme have been uploaded onto a dedicated webpage of the Youth Development Commission (www.ydc.gov.hk/scsi/en). Interested students should submit applications through the Government's centralised application system, and each student can apply to up to three companies in a single

application. Upon receipt of applications, participating companies will be responsible for the assessment and selection of applicants, as well as the implementation of the internship arrangements.

