

SCS meets delegation of Permanent Secretaries of Singapore (with photos)

The Secretary for the Civil Service, Mrs Ingrid Yeung, met with a delegation led by the Head of Civil Service of Singapore, Mr Leo Yip, under the Singapore-Hong Kong Permanent Secretaries Exchange Programme (Exchange Programme) at Central Government Offices today (November 23).

Welcoming the delegation's visit to Hong Kong, Mrs Yeung said the civil service of Hong Kong and Singapore have always maintained close ties and exchanges to share experiences and ideas. While reciprocal visits among senior civil servants of the two governments could not be materialised in the past few years under the COVID-19 epidemic, it is encouraging to see that this Exchange Programme has resumed today.

Mrs Yeung exchanged with the the delegation experiences in recruitment and training of civil servants. Both sides noted that with the fast-changing international political, economic and technological situations, as well as the gradually changing aspirations of the younger generation, investment in continuous training at all levels of the civil service and the provision of diverse opportunities for young people were important in enhancing the capability of civil servants to cope with the challenging global environment, maintaining the satisfaction civil servants obtain from their work and increasing the attractiveness of the civil service as a career for young people.

Concluding the meeting, Mrs Yeung said that Hong Kong and Singapore have all along had much in common and it is important for continuous exchanges and co-operation among civil servants in the two governments to take place. She looked forward to continue promoting people-to-people bonds between Hong Kong and Singapore in future and finding new areas for further collaboration.

