## SITI attends opening ceremony of 2024 China Cybersecurity Week

The Secretary for Innovation, Technology and Industry, Professor Sun Dong, attended the opening ceremony of 2024 China Cybersecurity Week this morning (September 8) in the main venue in Nansha, Guangzhou, and witnessed the signing of the memorandum of understanding (MoU) on cybersecurity collaboration among the Digital Policy Office of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (SAR) Government, the Cyberspace Administration of Guangdong Province (CAGP), and the Comissão para a Cibersegurança of the Macao SAR Government.

During his opening speech, Professor Sun said that the theme of the China Cybersecurity Week, "Cybersecurity for the People, Cybersecurity relies on the People" profoundly interprets the close relationship between cybersecurity and the public. He called on all sectors of society to remain vigilant at all times, enhance public awareness of cybersecurity, and ensure the security of the networks and data against the cybersecurity hazards which are getting more severe in the face of ever-changing technology.

At the ceremony, the Commissioner for Digital Policy, Mr Tony Wong, the CAGP and the Comissão para a Cibersegurança of Macao SAR signed a MoU on facilitating cybersecurity exchange and collaboration in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (GBA). This MoU aims to adhere to the holistic approach to national security, take effective measures to promote cybersecurity exchange and collaboration among the three regions, and provide robust cybersecurity support for building a digital GBA and the economic and social development of the regions.

Professor Sun said that the MoU will strengthen collaboration on cybersecurity among Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao, with enhancement on cooperation in the aspects of technological exchange, information sharing, and emergency response measures among the three regions with a view to facilitating the high quality development of the GBA.

Professor Sun said, "During the China Cybersecurity Week, numerous activities will be held in Guangdong, Hong Kong, and Macao to further deepen industry collaboration, cultivate cybersecurity talent and promote cybersecurity awareness in the GBA. The cybersecurity week provides a great opportunity for deepening collaboration among Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao in building a defense on cybersecurity together, thereby making greater contribution to the boosting of strength in cyberspace and the advancement of Chinese modernisation."

Professor Sun also visited the Cybersecurity Expo held at the same venue and toured the Hong Kong Pavilion to learn about the achievements of Hong Kong's cybersecurity industry in exchanges and collaboration with mainland counterparts.

Professor Sun concluded his itinerary and returned to Hong Kong in the afternoon today.