

## [STL concludes visit to Tokyo \(with photos\)](#)

â€‹The Chairman of the Hong Kong Maritime and Port Board (HKMPB) and the Secretary for Transport and Logistics, Mr Lam Sai-hung, continued his visit to Tokyo today (July 5) with a maritime delegation.

They visited numerous enterprises over two days including those involved in marine insurance, ship finance, trading and major liner shipping. They also met with representatives of the Japan Ship Owners' Mutual Protection & Indemnity Association to promote Hong Kong's high value-added maritime services and the work of the Hong Kong Shipping Registry, with a view to attracting local companies to establish and expand their presence in Hong Kong.

Mr Lam said, "Hong Kong is a prominent international maritime centre (IMC) and a transshipment hub port in the Asia Pacific region. Our efficient ports, high-quality maritime services and excellent business environment make us an ideal location for international maritime enterprises to start or expand their businesses.

"The 14th Five-Year Plan has supported the development of Hong Kong as an IMC. We also launched the Action Plan on Maritime and Port Development Strategy at the end of last year to inject perpetual impetus into the development of the maritime industry. With the country's staunch support and our commitment to continuously developing the comprehensive strength of Hong Kong's maritime industry, we will continue to consolidate our position as an IMC with perseverance and resilience," he added.

The delegation also paid a courtesy call on the Chinese Ambassador to Japan, Mr Wu Jianghai, yesterday (July 4) to brief him on the latest developments of Hong Kong's maritime industry.

Mr Lam and the delegation concluded the visit today and returned to Hong Kong this evening.



