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## Cyberport and Education Bureau Intensify the Collaboration of "Student Training Programmes and Budding Scheme on Innovation and Technology"

## Official Launch of the "Innovation and Technology Internship Scheme" to Identify and Nurture the Next Generation of Innovators and Tech Talents

Hong Kong · 23 June 2025 - Cyberport and the Education Bureau (EDB) launched the latest round of the "Student Training Programmes and Budding Scheme on Innovation and Technology", and the "Innovation and Technology Internship Scheme" was officially commenced. Specially designed for secondary school students with potential and interest in STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) and innovation and technology (I&T), the Scheme provides students with professional guidance from Cyberport's start-ups, allowing them to explore cutting-edge technologies and innovative solutions, while keeping abreast of the latest industry trends. Through hands-on learning, the Scheme aims to stimulate students' passion for innovation and further develop their potential, thereby nurturing future talents for Hong Kong's innovation and technology development.

The orientation day of the Scheme was held at the EDB Kowloon Tong Education Services Centre. Representatives from 15 Cyberport start-ups, who acted as mentors for the "Innovation and Technology Internship Scheme", and 30 secondary school students selected for the Scheme attended the event. Ms Edith Tse Yuen-ching, Principal Assistant Secretary (Curriculum Support) for Education Bureau, Dr William Lam Wailim, Chief Curriculum Development Officer (Science) for Education Bureau, and Ir Eric Chan, Chief Public Mission Officer of Cyberport also attended the event.

Ir Eric Chan, Chief Public Mission Officer of Cyberport, remarked, "In recent years, EDB has been actively advocating for STEAM education reform in line with the development of I&T, thereby laying a robust foundation for students in this field. The 'Student Training Programmes and Budding Scheme on Innovation and Technology' offers a distinctive platform for students to explore I&T beyond the classroom and refine their skills in a genuine innovative environment. Through hands-on practice and professional guidance, students will not only be able to enhance their problem-solving skills but also develop the resilience and adaptability necessary to confront future challenges. As Hong Kong's digital tech hub, Cyberport is committed to promoting I&T development and nurturing talent and looks forward to unleashing the innovative potential of students in the process, infusing new momentum into the future of Hong Kong."

After a rigorous first stage of selection, 30 secondary school students from Secondary 3 to Secondary 5 will participate in the "Innovation and Technology Internship Scheme", working in pairs from July to August, alongside representatives from 15 Cyberport start-ups who will



serve as mentors. Under the professional guidance of these mentors, students will have the opportunity to immerse themselves in daily operations of the participating enterprises, including attending business meetings and engaging in practical work sessions. Through indepth discussions with the staff of the enterprises, students will gain valuable hands-on experience and professional knowledge. Additionally, participating students will assist in preparing the exhibition content for the 'IT Industry Career Expo cum Sharing Session' to be held at the end of the year. They will present their learning outcomes and share their experiences during the session, translating classroom knowledge into real-world applications.

Representatives of Cyberport start-ups participating in the Scheme as mentors come from a wide range of innovation fields, including AI, EdTech, living technology, Internet of Things (IoT), and so on. Among them, the Art-Tech lab **MateZ Lab** will collaborate with students to create unique art pieces through AI. The 'RV' model car racing platform **Formula Square** will engage students in the entire process of designing, fabricating and refining automotive components. In addition, **Bridge AI**, which offers innovative integrated therapy and learning services for students with Special Educational Needs (SEN); along with **iREd Solutions**, which specializes STEM and AI education services; and **Laurry & Co**, which provides immersive AI+VR learning platforms, will guide students in exploring the various applications of AI technologies.

Cyberport is dedicated to bridging the gap between start-ups and the education sector to advance the application of I&T, collaborating closely with the EDB to foster I&T education and talent development in Hong Kong. For instance, Cyberport and EDB jointly organized the 'Student Mentorship Programme on Innovation and Technology' last year, empowering students to enhance and refine their smart life solutions under the mentorship of Cyberport start-ups, while nurturing their entrepreneurial spirit. Meanwhile, Cyberport and EDB previously launched the 'Professional Development Programme on Innovation and Technology for STEAM Coordinators of Schools,' designed to equip teachers with a deeper understanding of I&T applications and trends, enabling them to integrate I&T concepts and STEAM-related elements into their curricula.

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## **About Hong Kong Cyberport**

Wholly owned by the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government, Cyberport is Hong Kong's digital tech hub and AI accelerator, with a vision to empower industry digitalisation and intelligent transformation, to promote digital economy and AI development, and to foster Hong Kong to be an international AI, innovation and technology (I&T) hub. Cyberport gathers over 2,200 companies, including 5 listed companies and 7 unicorns. One-third of onsite companies' founders come from 26 countries and regions, while Cyberport companies have expanded to over 35 global markets.

Cyberport, with Hong Kong's largest AI Supercomputing Centre and AI Lab as the engine, has been building the AI ecosystem with industry-leading AI companies and over 400 AI and data science start-ups. Through development of tech clusters, namely AI, data science, blockchain and cybersecurity, Cyberport empowers industries across smart city and government, banking and finance, digital entertainment, culture and tourism, healthcare, education and training, property management, construction, transportation and logistics, green environment and more, while hosting Hong Kong's largest FinTech community. Commissioned by the HKSAR Government, Cyberport has implemented proof-of-concept and sandbox schemes, subsidisation for digital tech adoption, industry tech training and start-up incubation, to drive technology R&D, translation and commercialisation, thus propelling digital transformation and intelligent upgrade across industry and society.

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