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Cyberport Joins Hands with FORMS HK and Ming Pao to Launch “Connovative Space”

*Transforming Over Half a Century of News Archives into Valuable AI Assets
To Empower Cultural and Creative Industries*

Hong Kong, 30 July 2026 – Cyberport, together with community enterprise **FORMS HK** and **Ming Pao**, today officially launched “**Connovative Space**”, a content innovation ecosystem that combines high-value content assets with artificial intelligence (AI) technologies. The platform integrates Ming Pao’s valuable historical archives, news contents and AI creative tools to provide creators, start-ups and businesses across different sectors with a one-stop creation platform. As Hong Kong’s digital tech hub and AI accelerator, Cyberport will serve as an ecosystem enabler, connecting start-ups and corporate networks, supporting companies in developing innovative applications and proof-of-concept cases through the platform, fostering the integration of AI with high-value content assets, advancing Content Tech development, accelerating the commercialization and deployment of innovative solutions, and promoting the convergence of Hong Kong’s cultural and creative industries with innovation and technology (I&T).

Connovative Space transforms over 60 years of accumulated news, photographs and feature content from Ming Pao into a knowledge repository that can be interpreted and utilised by AI, providing creators with a trusted, credible and copyright-cleared content foundation. This enables users to leverage high-value content assets to turn creative concepts into screenplays, animations, microfilms, books, artworks and other innovative formats. In its first phase, the platform will incorporate quality content resources spanning healthcare, education, photo stories, commentaries and columns, and convert them into AI-ready assets, including thematic summaries, content tags and branded content references. These resources will help creators and enterprises enhance productivity, while exploring new content innovation and commercial application opportunities.

Dr Rocky Cheng, CEO of Cyberport, said in his welcoming address, “Ming Pao, FORMS HK and Cyberport today jointly announced the launch of Connovative Space today, a creative ecosystem content platform for creators. As the first local newspaper organisation to initiate and establish a platform of its kind, Ming Pao contributes its rich and highly credible content accumulated since its founding in 1959. Combined with FORMS HK’s data infrastructure and AI agent technologies, as well as Cyberport’s AI ecosystem, computing power, cybersecurity capabilities and industry support network, the platform will empower industry practitioners, educators, students and members of the public to co-create innovative works and products. Leveraging this high-value content platform, the three parties will also launch the ‘Connovative Challenge’, to drive innovation in the media sector, lower barriers

to creation, exploring new industry models and bring more diverse cultural products and services to society.”

Alex Chan, CEO of FORMS HK, said, “FORMS HK has always upheld the principle of ‘Invest in HK for HK’. We are honoured to leverage responsible, fintech-grade AI technologies, together with Cyberport’s extensive network, to transform over half a century of valuable historical assets from Ming Pao into new drivers of innovation. Through Connovative Space, we hope creators can more easily access trusted, high-quality historical resources, unleash their creativity, and produce outstanding works with distinctive Hong Kong characteristics, while jointly advancing Hong Kong’s cultural, creative, and I&T sectors.”

Yijia Tiong, Executive Director of Media Chinese International and CEO of Ming Pao, said, “As a news organisation with a history spanning more than six decades, Ming Pao has documented Hong Kong’s transformation into an international metropolis through words, photographs and video, building a content archive that stretches across more than half a century and continues to grow daily. Through the content repository developed with FORMS HK and our collaboration with creators with Cyberport, we hope to give this long-accumulated body of editorial content a second life. By providing verified and properly authorised information, we aim to lower barriers related to research, authenticity and copyright, making the creative process more seamless.”

To promote talent development and cross-sector collaboration, Cyberport, FORMS HK and Ming Pao also announced the upcoming launch of the “**Connovative Challenge**”, encouraging students, filmmakers, writers, creative agencies and technology enthusiasts to utilise AI technologies and content assets to create new works and explore fresh possibilities at the intersection of cultural, creativity and technology.

In line with the National 15th Five-Year Plan, the HKSAR Government is actively promoting the development of the cultural and creative industries and AI, while further strengthening Hong Kong’s positioning as an East-meets-West centre for international cultural exchange. Cyberport has long been committed to advancing the development of Art Tech and the digital entertainment industry, bringing together more than 170 related start-ups and tech companies spanning the arts, culture, tourism and sports sectors. Through its flagship annual event, the Digital Entertainment Leadership Forum (DELF), as well as a diverse range of industry engagement platforms, Cyberport continues to provide start-ups with opportunities to showcase innovate solutions and connect with industry stakeholders, fostering the integration of cultural and creative industries with I&T. Looking ahead, Cyberport will continue to leverage its role as Hong Kong’s digital tech hub and AI accelerator to advance Art Tech innovation, accelerate the adoption and commercialisation of innovative solutions, and inject fresh momentum into the development of Hong Kong’s cultural and creative industries and digital economy.

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FORMS (Hong Kong) and Ming Pao representatives introduced the Connovative Space and demonstrated its practical applications.



Representatives from Cyberport start-ups and Ming Pao's arts and cultural partners shared their experiences in integrating AI with creative practices, and explored how Connovative Space's valuable content assets can unlock new possibilities in content creation, education and cultural heritage preservation.

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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 2,300 companies, including 25 listed companies and 9 unicorns. One-third of onsite companies' founders come from 27 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 500 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.

Also as "State-level Scientific and Technological Enterprise Incubator" and Hong Kong's key incubator, Cyberport supports entrepreneurs with funding and office space, extensive networks of enterprises, investors, technology corporations and professional services for business growth and expansion to Chinese Mainland and overseas markets, all-round facilitation for landing in Hong Kong, talent attraction and cultivation, ready as a launchpad to take start-ups in any stages of development to the next level.

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