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## **Cyberport Supports the 2026-2027 Budget for Accelerating I&T and AI+ Development, Leveraging Technology to Drive Industry Integration and Benefit the Community and Continuing to Attract Enterprises and Investment to Strengthen Headquarters Economy**

**Hong Kong, 25 February 2026** – Cyberport welcomes the 2026-27 Budget (the Budget) announced by the HKSAR Government today, which continues to increase investments in innovation and technology (I&T) and artificial intelligence (AI) development. The Budget aims to drive industrial innovation through technological innovation, foster the integration of industries across boundaries and financial empowerment, optimise government processes through technology for the benefit of the public, and focus on attracting enterprises and investment to strengthen the local economy and talent support.

**Simon Chan, Chairman of Cyberport**, said, “The innovative and forward-looking Budget leads Hong Kong in proactively aligning with the 15th Five-Year Plan, cultivating new quality productive forces in a way that suits local conditions, and fully promoting ‘Artificial Intelligence +’ (AI+) industry. It also continues the active efforts to attract enterprises, investments and talent, injecting fresh momentum into Hong Kong's economy. Cyberport will continue to align with the HKSAR Government's fiscal strategy, leveraging Hong Kong's largest AI Supercomputing Centre (AISC) to build a comprehensive AI ecosystem. We will bring together cutting-edge technologies from leading enterprises, empower the digital and intelligent upgrading of society and various industries, promoting industrial innovation and integrated development, and drive technology research and development (R&D) as well as in-depth practical applications. This will help enhance public services efficiency and improve the quality of life for the public. At the same time, Cyberport will continue to support the HKSAR Government's strategy of attracting enterprises and investment by leveraging our roles as a ‘super connector’ and ‘super value-adder’ to attract outstanding enterprises from the Chinese Mainland and overseas to establish a presence in Hong Kong, pooling talent, technologies, and capital, accelerate the internationalisation of the Chinese Mainland enterprises and propel Hong Kong into an international I&T and AI hub.”

### “Artificial Intelligence +” Industry Development

Cyberport is fully committed to advancing the “Artificial Intelligence +” industry development. Cyberport’s AISC delivers 3,000 PFLOPS of computing power. The HKSAR Government has launched the “Artificial Intelligence Subsidy Scheme” (AISS) through Cyberport to support universities, R&D institutions, and enterprises to utilise the AISC’s capabilities. The scheme has approved approximately 30 R&D projects, covering areas such as large language models, new materials, synthetic biology, and medical large models. Cyberport

continues to building a comprehensive AI ecosystem coving computing power, data, general and specialised large models, model risk assessment, industry application support, governance and ethics research, and talent cultivation. This includes establishing benchmarks for AI model quality and security and developing reference guidelines for the governance and risk management of AI applications.

Cyberport gathers over 500 start-ups specialising in AI, Embodied Intelligence, and big data, attracted leading AI enterprises including Qiangnao Technology, Biren Technology, iFLYTEK, Inspur, Z.ai, and Yunji Technology, leveraging their capabilities in computing power development, large-model construction, algorithms, and data science to advance AI research, innovation, and application. The Cyberport ABC Service Centre, launched last month, provides enterprises with an integrated platform combining AI, big data, and cybersecurity. It supports enterprises in driving "industries for AI" and "AI for industries" through application scenarios, empowering intelligent upgrades across all sectors.

Cyberport is proactively driving financial innovation through AI, with the launch of the second cohort of Generative AI (GenA.I.) Sandbox in collaboration with the Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA). This initiative focuses on exploring "AI vs. AI" to promote the secure and responsible AI application in the banking sector. The two cohorts received over 100 applications, with more than 40 use cases selected. The selected projects utilise the dedicated platform of Cyberport's AISC and receive technical support and regulatory guidance from both Cyberport and the HKMA.

#### Leveraging AI and Technology to Empower Public Services

Cyberport is supporting the HKSAR Government in leveraging AI to empower public services, promoting digital intelligence for enhancing the standard of public services. Cyberport and the Digital Policy Office (DPO) have been co-organising thematic technology forums to advance the integration of public service with digital technology. Since last year, Cyberport and DPO have jointly launched the "AI+ Civil Services" series. The three forums attracted over 3,100 representative from around 80 policy bureaux and government departments, collectively driving the adoption of AI to streamline public services processes and enhance operational efficiency. At the same time, Cyberport has partnered with the DPO to implement the "iAM Smart" Sandbox Programme, enabling public and private organisations to conduct Application Programming Interface (API) testing. Around 900 participating organisations have planned or launched more than 158 applications related to "iAM Smart". The newly launched Digital Corporate Identity (CorpID) Sandbox Programme supports interested service providers to conduct Proof-of-Concept (PoC), over 100 organisations are taking part, covering application scenarios including public service applications.

## Attracting Enterprises and Investment to Promote Headquarters Economy, Supporting the Chinese Mainland Enterprises in Going Global

Cyberport supports the HKSAR Government in accelerating the attraction of enterprises and talent, facilitating the Chinese Mainland I&T enterprises expand overseas. Leveraging its roles as a “super-connector” and “super value-adder”, Cyberport continues to expand its international network in high-potential markets such as the Middle East and ASEAN. It has successfully attracted over 30 listed companies, unicorns, and soonicorns from the Chinese Mainland and overseas to establish presences at Cyberport, with a combined market capitalisation exceeding HK\$336 billion for listed companies and valuations surpassing HK\$87 billion for unicorns and soonicorns. Twenty of them were subsequently selected as strategic enterprises by the HKSAR Government, having invested or planning to invest over HK\$3 billion while creating more than 700 R&D and operational positions. Cyberport has also established an overseas expansion platform for the Hong Kong Jiangsu Science and Technology Innovation Center, Tenwings Acceleator Company Limited, National Torch Academy of Innovation and Entrepreneurship (Zhongguancun), ZGC AI Business International Service Hub, and Beijing Go Global Hub for Digital Enterprises. It serves as a two-way bridge for the nearly 300 Chinese Mainland enterprises based at Cyberport going global and for bringing in overseas companies. Over the past year, Cyberport welcomed more than 490 companies, representing a 28% year-on-year increase, with over 160 of these originating from the Chinese Mainland and overseas. To date, Cyberport enterprises have expanded into 35 overseas markets and secured over HK\$46.2 billion in funding.

## Low-altitude Economy (LAE) Development

Cyberport supports the HKSAR Government in expanding the emerging LAE sector, refining the legislation and regulatory framework on civil aviation, including the rollout of unmanned aircraft system traffic management systems, cross-boundary routes and passenger-carrying flying aircraft. Cyberport facilitates the development of a competitive ecosystem by serving as a testing venue for the “LAE Regulatory Sandbox”, continues to upgrade equipment at its waterfront drone take-off and landing site and other application scenarios. Enhancements include low-altitude weather monitoring, 5G-A networks, charging facilities, wind vanes, and anemometers. These facilities support the five Cyberport enterprises selected for the “Sandbox”, including assisting global logistics leader S.F. Express (Hong Kong) Limited (SFHK) in testing cross-sea route. Harmony Tech, a leading enterprise in low-altitude airspace traffic management, is also conducting tests to prepare for future traffic management. Cyberport is actively strengthening collaborations with various industry partners, including advancing the research and application of electric vertical take-off and landing (eVTOL), testing hydrogen-powered drone applications, and enhancing environmental sustainability. The Cyberport has also established the Drone Sports Centre, serving as a training and competition venue to foster the development of drone sports.

### Supporting Autonomous Driving Testing

Cyberport welcomes the HKSAR Government's promotion of large-scale autonomous driving development, which will accelerate smart mobility and improve people's living. Cyberport promotes the R&D of intelligent driving technologies, leveraging its campus as an application scenario to drive technological implementation. It is fully committed to establishing Hong Kong as a global hub for right-hand-drive autonomous vehicle markets. Cyberport has supported the on-site testing of Baidu Intelligent Driving's "Apollo Go", successfully acquiring Hong Kong's driving data and urban road experience to accelerate the localisation of autonomous driving technology. Following the successful implementation of these tests, Apollo Go recently received approval from the Transport Department (TD) to extend its trials to cross-district routes connecting Airport Island in North Lantau with Tung Chung Town Centre and Sunny Bay. This expansion covers more complex highways and cross-district environments, accelerating the provision of efficient and convenient smart mobility services for the public.

### Development of Digital Assets

Cyberport hosts Hong Kong's largest blockchain and digital asset community, with founders from over 310 enterprises hailing from Hong Kong, the Chinese Mainland, and 19 overseas countries, including four licensed virtual asset trading platforms. Cyberport previously launched the "Blockchain & Digital Asset Pilot Subsidy Scheme", covers a wide range of areas including RWA, payment and stablecoins, decentralised identity, Web3.0 security, distributed AI/ML, and social innovation and digital experience, driving the application of financial innovation. The scheme attracted 200 applications, with approved projects spanning RWA tokenisation, payments, security and risk management, and smart asset management. It accelerates blockchain adoption and asset tokenisation development, supporting Hong Kong's advancement as a global innovation hub for digital asset.

### Nurturing Talent

Cyberport welcomes the HKSAR Government's strong commitment to nurturing talent and building an international hub for high-calibre talent. Through a series of career fairs, internship programmes, and talent development initiatives, Cyberport is helping to expand Hong Kong's local talent pool. This includes the "Greater Bay Area (GBA) Fintech Two-way Internship Scheme for Post-secondary Students", commissioned by the Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau (FSTB), which subsidises short-term FinTech internships for students from Hong Kong and GBA. Around 30 companies and 100 students have participated in the scheme. Cyberport also launches the "HYAB Youth Start-up Internship Programme" with the Home and Youth Affairs Bureau (HYAB), and the "Student Training Programmes and Budding Scheme on Innovation and Technology" with the Education Bureau, to nurture young I&T talent and encourage them to pursue careers in the I&T sector. Cyberport Academy provides AI and technology training courses, enrichment programmes,

and internship opportunities for young people and professionals, benefiting over 15,000 individuals to date.

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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 17 listed companies and 8 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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