

工業貿易署

Trade and Industry Department



The Trade and Industry Department (TID) handles the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR)'s commercial relations with its trading partners, and protects Hong Kong's trade interests and rights. The TID offers support to various sectors, in particular small and medium enterprises (SMEs), and provides services for locally based trade and industrial organisations and businesses. It also provides local enterprises with updated information on changes in major trading partners' trade-related laws, regulations and policies.

Support to Small and Medium Enterprises



Over **360 000** SMEs
in Hong Kong



Constitute more than **98%** of
business establishments in Hong Kong



Employ more than **44%** of
the private sector workforce

The TID provides services which aim to facilitate the development of SMEs in Hong Kong and help enhance their competitiveness.

SUCCESS Support and Consultation Centre for Small and Medium Enterprises (SUCCESS)

Run by the TID in collaboration with various trade and industrial organisations, professional bodies and other government departments, SUCCESS provides SMEs with practical business information and consultation services free of charge.

 www.success.tid.gov.hk



SME Link

Provide SMEs with access to information and support services provided by SUCCESS under the TID, the "SME Centre" under the Hong Kong Trade Development Council, the "SME One" under the Hong Kong Productivity Council, the "TecONE" under the Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation as well as various government departments from a single online platform.

 www.smelink.gov.hk

SME ReachOut

中小企資援組

SME ReachOut


Operated by the Hong Kong Productivity Council under the support of the TID, "SME ReachOut" promotes government funding schemes to SMEs, assists them in identifying and applying for suitable schemes, and provides capacity building services to them.

 <https://smereachout.hkpc.org>



Hong Kong Awards for Industries

Recognise and encourage outstanding achievements and performance excellence of Hong Kong enterprises. The five award categories are Consumer Product Design, Equipment and Machinery Design, Customer Service, Innovation and Creativity, and Upgrading and Transformation.

 www.hkindustryaward.org

Funding Schemes



Dedicated Fund on Branding, Upgrading and Domestic Sales (BUD Fund)

Provide funding support to non-listed Hong Kong enterprises in developing brands, upgrading and restructuring their business operations, and promoting sales in those markets with which Hong Kong has signed free trade agreements and/or investment promotion and protection agreements, so as to facilitate their business development in those markets.




SME Export Marketing Fund

Provide funding support to non-listed Hong Kong enterprises for participation in promotion activities to expand markets.



Trade and Industrial Organisation Support Fund

Provide funding support to non-profit-distributing organisations to implement projects which aim at enhancing the competitiveness of non-listed Hong Kong enterprises in general or in specific sectors.

 www.smefund.tid.gov.hk

Import and Export of Goods

Import and Export Licensing and Control, and Registration Schemes

Hong Kong is a free port. There is no customs tariff on imports or exports, but certain goods are subject to import/export control in Hong Kong. The TID is responsible for the licensing and/or registration of the following goods:



Strategic Commodities

 www.stc.tid.gov.hk



Rice



Ozone Depleting Substances



Rough Diamonds



Powdered Formula



Mainland Cereals and Grain Flour



Wine Exports to Mainland



Textiles

Transshipment Cargo Exemption Scheme

Shipping companies, airlines and freight forwarders registered with the TID under the scheme are, subject to certain conditions, exempted from import and export licensing requirements in respect of transshipment cargoes they handle.

Certificate of Origin

The TID provides an origin certification service to facilitate Hong Kong's exports to other markets or to meet the requirements of importing authorities, as well as to enable traders to enjoy preferential tariff treatment under free trade agreements signed between Hong Kong and other economies. Manufacturers registered under the TID's Factory Registration can apply for Certificates of Origin to certify the origin of the relevant exports.

Mainland and Hong Kong Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement

The Mainland and Hong Kong Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement (CEPA) was signed in June 2003. It is a free trade agreement signed between the Mainland and Hong Kong which fosters the joint development of the two places through mutually beneficial market liberalisation and economic and trade cooperation. The TID has been working closely with the Mainland authorities to continuously enrich the content of CEPA.



Trade Relations

Hong Kong actively supports and promotes a free, open and stable multilateral trading system. Through participating in multilateral, regional, plurilateral and bilateral trade agreements, Hong Kong secures, maintains and improves access to foreign markets for its goods and services. Under the Basic Law, the HKSAR shall be a separate customs territory and may on its own, using the name "Hong Kong, China", maintain and develop relations and conclude and implement agreements with other economies and regions, and participate in relevant international organisations in the economic, trade and other appropriate fields.

The TID coordinates HKSAR's participation in the World Trade Organization, the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development's Trade Committee, and the Pacific Economic Cooperation Council.

Hong Kong's Free Trade Agreements and Investment Promotion and Protection Agreements

The TID enhances economic co-operation with trading partners, assists enterprises in diversifying markets and securing better market access, and strengthens protection of investors' overseas investments through forging free trade agreements (FTAs) and investment promotion and protection agreements (IPPAs).

So far, Hong Kong has signed 8 FTAs with 20 economies:

The Mainland of China; Macao Special Administrative Region;
New Zealand; Chile; Georgia; Australia;
Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)
(viz. Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar,
The Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam);
Member States of the European Free Trade Association
(viz. Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland).

All FTAs have entered into force

As of March 2024, Hong Kong has signed 24 IPPAs with 33 foreign economies:

10 ASEAN Member States; Australia; Austria; Bahrain; Belgium; Canada;
Chile; Denmark; Finland; France; Germany; Italy; Japan; Korea; Kuwait;
Luxembourg; Mexico; The Netherlands; New Zealand; Sweden;
Switzerland; Türkiye; United Arab Emirates and United Kingdom.

All IPPAs, except the ones with Bahrain and Türkiye, have entered into force

In 2023, Hong Kong's total merchandise trade value with the world reached HK\$8,822.4 billion.

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SME Support Services	Tel	Fax
Funding Schemes		
SME Export Marketing Fund	2398 5127	2391 2646
Trade and Industrial Organisation Support Fund	2398 5128	2391 7375
Support and Consultation Centre for SMEs (SUCCESS)	2398 5133	2737 2377

Mainland and Hong Kong Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement (CEPA)	Tel	Fax
General Enquiries*	2398 5667	3525 0988
Certificate of Hong Kong Service Supplier (HKSS) / Certificate of Hong Kong Investor (HKI)	3403 6428	3547 1348

Registration and Certification Services	Tel	Fax
Textiles Trader Registration	2398 5512	2394 6485
Factory Registration	2398 5531	2787 6048
Local Subcontracting Arrangement	2398 5531	2787 6048
Outward Processing Arrangement	2398 5531	2787 6048
Registration as Local Importers of Mainland Cereals and Grain Flour	2398 5733	2309 7744
Registration as Hong Kong Registered Wine Exporters	3403 6426	2309 7744
Certificate of Hong Kong Origin – CEPA (CO(CEPA))/ Certificate of Hong Kong Origin – New Zealand (CO(NZ))	3403 6432	2787 6048
Certificate of Hong Kong Origin (CHKO)/Certificate of Origin – Processing (COP)/ Certificate of Hong Kong Origin – Georgia (CO(Georgia))/ Certificate of Hong Kong Origin – Form AHK (CO(Form AHK))	2398 5545	2787 6048

Import and Export Licensing	Tel	Fax
Strategic Commodities (Classification)	2398 5587	2396 3070
Strategic Commodities (Licensing)	2398 5575	2396 3070
Strategic Commodities (Technical Help Desk (E-services))	2398 5659	2396 3070
Rice	2398 5570	3525 0987
Rough Diamonds	2398 5557	2380 8504
Ozone Depleting Substances	2398 5560	2380 8504
Powdered Formula	3403 6220	3525 1176

Other Import and Export Services	Tel	Fax
Import and Export Manifests	2398 5565	2398 3747
Transshipment Cargo Exemption Scheme	2398 5565	-
Dissemination of Information of Trade-Related United Nations Sanctions	2398 5565	-

Commercial Relations*	Tel	Fax
Overseas Tariffs and Import Regulations		
Americas	2398 5405	3902 3149
Europe	2398 5354	2789 9761
The Mainland of China	2398 5676	2398 9973
Asia (except the Mainland), Africa and Oceania	2398 5594	2787 7799
Matters on World Trade Organization	2398 5399	-
Matters on Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation	2398 5449	-
Matters on Pacific Economic Cooperation Council	2398 5449	-

Other Services	Tel	Fax
General Enquiries	2398 5333	2787 7422



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