



## HKMU and HKT join forces to foster the sustainable development of the ICT industry in Hong Kong

**HKT (SEHK: 6823)** – **HONG KONG, 3 February 2023** – The School of Science and Technology of Hong Kong Metropolitan University (HKMU) and HKT signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to foster innovative collaboration, research and talent development, paving the way for the sustainable development of the ICT industry in Hong Kong.

Under the MoU, the two parties will collaborate on the development and enhancement of academic and research programmes, facilitate knowledge exchange and experience sharing, and provide support and guidance for students on internship and career development.

Dr Kevin Hung King-fai, Head of the Department of Electronic Engineering and Computer Science and Associate Professor of the School, and Mr Leung Wing-keung, Senior Vice President, Integrated Project & Technology Services, Commercial Group of HKT, represented the two parties to sign the MoU. The signing was also witnessed by Prof. Philips Wang Fu-lee, Dean of the School, and Mr Steve Ng Ka-lung, Managing Director, Commercial Group of HKT.

Prof. Wang said, "HKMU is committed to contributing to the development of engineering, communication technology and information technology in Hong Kong by offering a variety of related bachelor's degree programmes designed with different depth and breadth, covering Electronic and Computer Engineering, Computer Science, Cybersecurity and Data Science. HKMU cultivates hundreds of professionals for society every year to foster the development of Hong Kong's technology industry. The collaboration with HKT will strengthen the exchange between HKMU and HKT in various areas and contribute towards building a smart city."

Mr Ng said, "As a technology, media and telecommunications leader in Hong Kong, HKT plays an important role as an incubator for tech-savvy young talent, offering them opportunities to participate in the digital transformation of enterprises and smart city development, and gain exposure in the Greater Bay Area (GBA) after tertiary graduation. We are excited about collaborating with HKMU to nurture more technology professionals, provide students with practical field experience, and share with them the technologies adopted to empower digital transformation in various industries in Hong Kong and the GBA as well as the challenges they face. We are looking forward to co-developing smart solutions employing emerging technologies to accelerate smart city development in Hong Kong and promote sustainable socio-economic development together with HKMU."



Prof. Philips Wang, HKMU S&T Dean (1<sup>st</sup> from left), Mr Steve Ng, Managing Director of Commercial Group, HKT (1<sup>st</sup> from right), Dr Kevin Hung, HKMU S&T Head of the Department of Electronic Engineering and Computer Science and Associate Professor (2<sup>nd</sup> from left), and Mr Leung Wing-keung, Senior Vice President of Integrated Project & Technology Services, Commercial Group, HKT attend the MoU signing ceremony.

## About HKT

HKT is a technology, media, and telecommunication leader with more than 150 years of history in Hong Kong. As the city's true 5G provider, HKT connects businesses and people locally and globally. Our end-to-end enterprise solutions make us a market-leading digital transformation partner of choice for businesses; whereas our comprehensive mobile communication and smart living offerings enrich people's lives and cater for their diverse needs for work, entertainment, education, well-being, and even a sustainable low-carbon lifestyle. Together with our digital ventures which support digital economy development and help connect Hong Kong to the world as an international financial centre, HKT endeavours to contribute to smart city development and help our community tech forward.

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## About HKMU

Established by the Government in 1989, Hong Kong Metropolitan University (HKMU), (formerly The Open University of Hong Kong) is the largest self-financed university in Hong Kong. In addition to offering full-time undergraduate, taught postgraduate, and research postgraduate programmes, HKMU provides distance education for aspiring learners and is committed to promoting research. Through its seven Schools, HKMU offers professional programmes tailored to society's needs, including areas in high demand, such as nursing, physiotherapy, creative arts, testing and certification, early childhood education, and corporate governance. HKMU's efforts and achievements in providing professional education are evidenced by the largest share of subsidised places under the Study Subsidy Scheme for Designated Professions and Sectors (SSSDP) in Hong Kong. For more details, please visit the HKMU website: www.hkmu.edu.hk.

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