

**Press Release** 

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## Cyberport has been awarded as "State-level Scientific and Technological Enterprise Incubator"

## To recognise Cyberport's achievements in nurturing I&T enterprises, witnessed by Ministry of Science and Technology and other leaders

**Hong Kong, 10 October 2023** - Cyberport has been acknowledged as "State-level Scientific and Technological Enterprise Incubator" by the Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST). The plaque unveiling ceremony was held at Cyberport Entrepreneurship Centre today (10 October 2023), officiated by Professor Zhang Guangjun, Vice-Minister of MOST, Professor Sun Dong, Secretary for Innovation, Technology and Industry of the HKSAR Government, Simon Chan, Chairman of Cyberport and Peter Yan, CEO of Cyberport and witnessed by other honourable guests, to recognise Cyberport's outstanding achievement in driving innovation and entrepreneurship in Hong Kong.

**Professor Zhang Guangjun, Vice Minister of MOST,** said, "As the largest digital innovative community and FinTech hub in Hong Kong, Cyberport is reputed as the promising hub for innovative entrepreneurship start-ups. The plaque unveiling ceremony for 'State-level Scientific and Technological Enterprise Incubator' at Cyberport today not only recognises Cyberport's contributions in nurturing innovation and technology (I&T) enterprises over the years but also signifies the new era of I&T cooperation between the Mainland and Hong Kong and also a new journey of co-creating a high-level innovation and entrepreneurship platform. Going forward, we hope Cyberport will continue to support start-ups and promote the development of digital technology in the future, contributing to the development of I&T and entrepreneurship in Hong Kong and proactively contributing to the exchange of I&T and entrepreneurship between the Mainland and Hong Kong."

**Professor Sun Dong, Secretary for Innovation, Technology and Industry**, said "Upon the recommendation of the HKSAR Government, MOST acknowledged Cyberport as 'Statelevel Scientific and Technological Enterprise Incubator' in November 2020, recognising its continuous efforts and achievements in nurturing Hong Kong's technology start-ups. It is a significant milestone for Cyberport and Hong Kong's I&T ecosystem to have received such national honour. Since the recognition, Cyberport has gone from strength to strength in recent years. With the staunch support of the country and the strong support of the HKSAR Government, Cyberport will continue to strive driving Hong Kong's I&T development."

**Simon Chan, Chairman of Cyberport**, said, "Cyberport is grateful to the country for recognizing our efforts in nurturing innovative and entrepreneurial talents. As Cyberport celebrates our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the plaque unveiling ceremony not only represents the Nation's recognition of Cyberport's efforts, but signifies Cyberport is embarking on a new journey. Looking ahead, Cyberport will continue to nurture innovative talents, support I&T enterprises, give full play to our role as a 'State-level Scientific and Technological Enterprise Incubator' to assist our country in building world-leading talent and innovation hubs, expedite the achievement of high-level technological self-reliance and ultimately transform Hong Kong into an international I&T centre, contributing to our country's high-quality development with innovation.



Over the past three years since Cyberport received the national recognition, the number of Cyberport community companies has grown from 1,600 to over 2,000 with the number of unicorns nearly doubling to seven. Cyberport Incubation Programme has admitted 345 startups over the past three years, bringing the total number to 1,198, while our venture fund has supported 260 innovative projects, reaching a total number of 885. The Cyberport community has also performed well in various aspects with a total financing amount of over HK\$36.5 billion for start-ups, winning nearly to 1,400 industry awards achieved in Hong Kong, the Mainland and the rest of the world, obtaining nearly 500 intellectual property rights and being admitted to more than 260 global accelerator programmes.

Prior to the plaque unveiling ceremony, Peter Yan, CEO of Cyberport briefed the MOST delegation on the Cyberport's latest development and the delegation interacted with three Cyberport community members, including **Gense Technologies**, a medical technology company; **Hepha**, Asia's first platform for IP Incubation, Verification & Licensing and **MVisioner**, a company specialises in 3D intelligent and AI medical image solutions.

The delegation also visited and exchanged views with other Cyberport's technology enterprises, including **Biren Technology**, a leading Al chip company in the Mainland which has just settled in Hong Kong, **ZA Bank**, Hong Kong's first licensed virtual bank, as well as **Roborn**, a technology R&D company specialising in 5G motion-control robots.

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國家級科技企業孵化器揭牌典禮 香港・敷碼港 023年10月10日 A plague unveiling ceremony was held today to award Cyberport as "State-level Scientific and Technological Enterprise Incubator", officiated by Professor Zhang Guangjun, Vice Minister of the Ministry of Science and Technology (fourth left in the front row), Professor Sun Dong, Secretary for Innovation, Technology and Industry (fourth right in the front row), Simon Chan, Chairman of Cyberport (third left in the front row) and Peter Yan, CEO of Cyberport (third right in the front row) and witnessed by Dai Gang, Director-General of Department of International Cooperation of MOST (Office of Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan Affairs) and Wu Cheng, Deputy Director-General of the Department of Education and Technology of the Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region to recognise Cyberport' s outstanding achievement in driving innovation and entrepreneurship in Hong Kong. 國家級科技企業孵化器 揭牌典禮 香港·戴碼港 **Cyberpor** Professor Zhang Guangjun, Vice Minister of MOST, said, "As the largest digital innovative community and FinTech hub in Hong Kong, Cyberport is reputed as the promising hub for innovative entrepreneurship start-ups. The plague unveiling ceremony for 'State-level Scientific and Technological Enterprise Incubator' at Cyberport today not

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The Cyberport community gathered to witness the plague unveiling ceremony for Cyberport being awarded as "State-level Scientific and Technological Enterprise Incubator" and to share achievements and happiness together.

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## **About Cyberport**

Cyberport is Hong Kong's digital technology flagship and incubator for entrepreneurship with over 2,000 members including over 900 onsite and close to 1,100 offsite start-ups and technology companies. It is managed by Hong Kong Cyberport Management Company Limited, wholly owned by the Hong Kong SAR Government. With a vision to be the hub for digital technology, thereby creating a new economic driver for Hong Kong, Cyberport is committed to nurturing a vibrant tech ecosystem by cultivating talent, promoting entrepreneurship among youth, supporting start-ups, fostering industry development by promoting strategic collaboration with local and international partners, and integrating new and traditional economies by accelerating digital transformation in public and private sectors.

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