(Translation)

Dr Hon Starry LEE's motion on "Seizing strategic opportunities to promote the integrated development of education, technology and talents in Hong Kong"

Wording of the Motion

That Hong Kong is in an important period of strategic opportunity for the country's innovation and technology ('I&T') as well as talent development, and the SAR Government's establishment of a high-level coordinating committee to promote the integrated development of education, technology and talents demonstrates its determination to enhance Hong Kong's innovation competitiveness; this Council urges the SAR Government to seize this historic opportunity and formulate new policies that encourage teaching and research staff of institutions to engage in applied research and development projects with economic prospects and commercial values, promote cross-disciplinary innovative research, and attract top-notch scientists from outside Hong Kong to set up laboratories in Hong Kong; establish an efficient and effective mechanism for collaboration between institutions and enterprises to accelerate the transformation of scientific research outcomes; improve the cooperation framework with 'double first-class' universities in the Mainland and enhance the arrangements for mutual recognition of academic degrees; and enhance the talent admission schemes to attract international high-calibre talents to conduct scientific research and teaching in Hong Kong, so as to promote the development of Hong Kong as an I&T hub with global influence, thereby making greater contribution to the national development.