

總經理報告

GENERAL MANAGER'S STATEMENT



我很高興向大家發表二零二四至二五年度公司註冊處(下稱「本處」)年報。公司登記冊上本地公司的數目節節上升，達 **1,471,689** 間的創新高紀錄，充分展現香港營商環境的吸引力。創紀錄的數字既反映香港獲本地以至國際企業公認為理想營商平台的地位，也標誌着本處在監管合規方面的工作得到了肯定，並成功發揮把關者的角色。我們銳意求進，使香港作為全球商業和金融樞紐的獨特優勢得以彰顯，以滿足商界和社會不斷轉變的需要。

I am pleased to present the Annual Report of the Companies Registry ("the Registry") for the year 2024-25. The number of local companies on the Companies Register ("the Register") continued to rise to a record high of **1,471,689**, fully illustrating the appeal of Hong Kong's business environment. This impressive figure not only reflects Hong Kong's position as an ideal platform for both local and international enterprises, but also affirms the Registry's success in its role as a gatekeeper for regulatory compliance. It is through our ongoing efforts that Hong Kong's defining character as a global business and financial hub comes to the fore in meeting the emerging needs of the business sector and the community.

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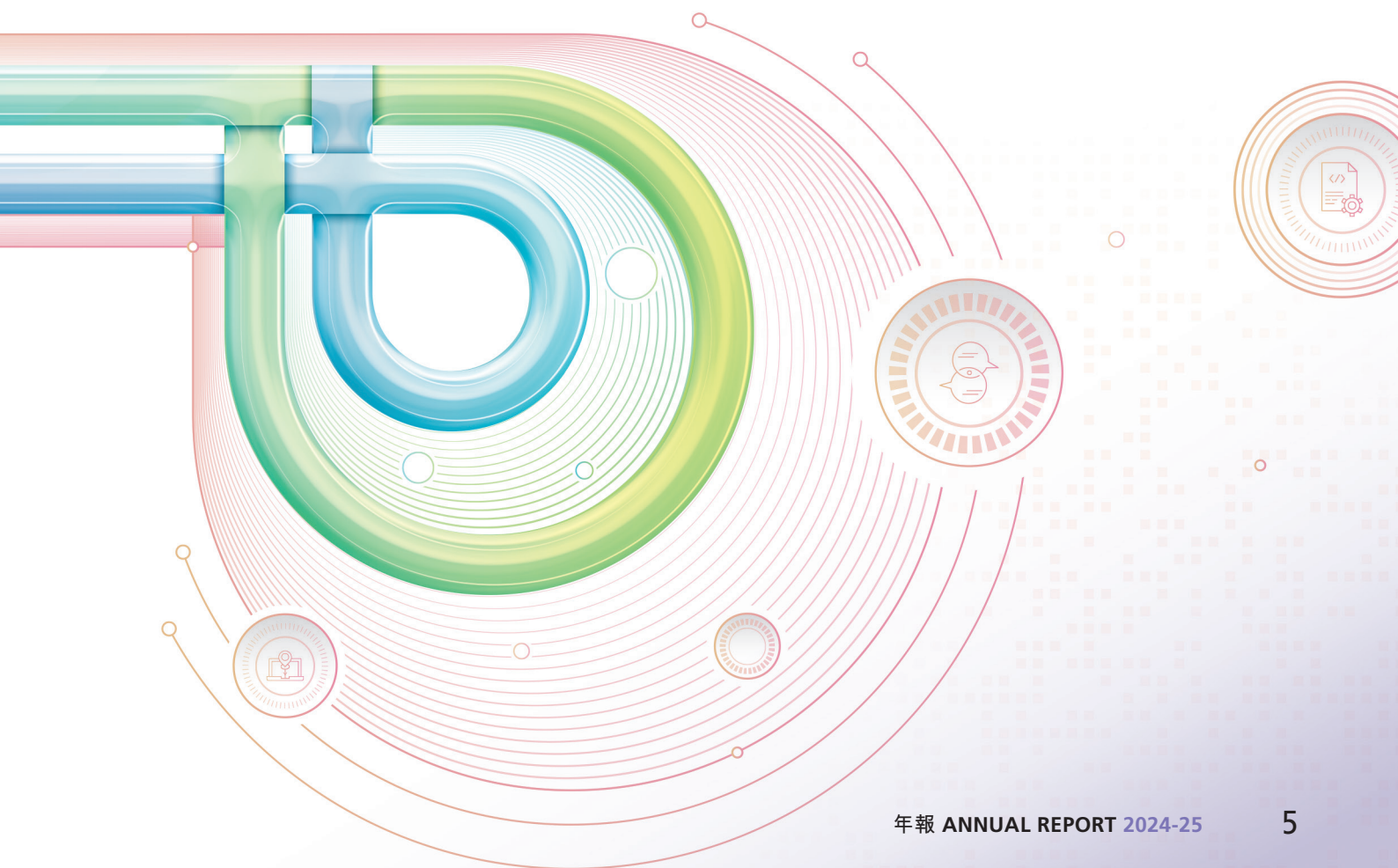
本處在一九九三年五月成立後，於同年八月開始以營運基金方式運作，主要負責實施和執行《公司條例》(第622章)及相關法例的條文。我們致力為公司、公司董事及股東提供優質服務，方便營商。在二零二四至二五年度，本處繼續致力履行在以下主要範疇的服務承諾：

- 截至二零二五年三月三十一日為止，在公司登記冊上本地公司的數目達1,471,689間，創歷史新高；
- 處理了154,220間新公司註冊成立的申請；
- 收到交付本處登記的文件有3,250,478份；
- 處理了5,250,549宗文件影像紀錄的查閱，而超過99.9%的公司查冊是在網上進行；及
- 有限合夥基金登記冊上的有限合夥基金數目按年增加31.3%。

A Year in Review

The Registry started operating as a trading fund in August 1993 after its establishment in May 1993. It is primarily responsible for administering and enforcing the provisions of the Companies Ordinance (Cap. 622) and related legislation. We are dedicated to offering quality services to companies, their directors and shareholders, thereby facilitating business. In 2024-25, the Registry remained committed to its service pledge in the following key aspects:

- reached a record high of 1,471,689 local companies on the Register as at 31 March 2025;
- handled the incorporation of 154,220 new companies;
- received 3,250,478 documents for registration;
- processed 5,250,549 searches of document image records, of which over 99.9% of company searches were conducted online; and
- reached a year-on-year increase of 31.3% in the number of limited partnership funds ("LPFs") on the LPF Register.



共建未來

本處致力打造一個值得信賴的營商環境，而穩健的體制是投資者和企業在香港營商賴以成功的關鍵。多年來，我們一直把依循《公司條例》法則提升本處工作效率放在首位。我們將繼續迎接挑戰，把握新機遇，開創未來，以期提升本港競爭力，把香港打造成為最佳營商城市。

引入公司遷冊制度

政府認同商界所需，於二零二一年十一月為開放式基金型公司和有限合夥基金引入遷冊機制。憑藉於處理相關遷冊申請所得經驗，我們在二零二五年推出公司遷冊制度，讓非香港法團遷冊來港，一方面保留其在法律上的法人團體身分之餘，亦使其業務運作得以延續，同時減省複雜且昂貴的司法程序。

讓上市公司受益於庫存股份制度

庫存股份制度可使香港與現時大多數在本地上市的公司的成立所在地的做法大致看齊，容許在香港成立為法團的上市公司，以庫存股份方式持有回購股份，並可註銷、出售和轉讓此等股份。這機制讓上市公司可更靈活管理資本，並同時規定相關公司作出更大程度的資料披露，從而優化企業管治。這些措施均有助香港作為國際金融中心與各方的融合發展。

Shaping Our Future

The Registry strives to promote a trusted business environment, in which investors and businesses can count on institutional assurances in their pursuit of success in Hong Kong. Over the years, we have placed the highest priority in enhancing our work pursuant to the mandate of the Companies Ordinance. We will continue to navigate through challenges, capitalise on emerging opportunities, and create a future with a view to enhancing the competitiveness of Hong Kong as an exemplary home for business.

Introducing the Company Re-domiciliation Regime

The re-domiciliation mechanisms for Open-ended Fund Companies and LPFs were introduced in November 2021 as a result of the acknowledged needs of the business sector. With experience in handling the said re-domiciliation applications, we launched the Company Re-domiciliation Regime in 2025, which enables non-Hong Kong corporations to re-domicile to Hong Kong whilst maintaining their legal identities as body corporates, thereby ensuring business continuity and absolving such corporations from undergoing complicated and costly judicial procedures.

Enabling listed companies to benefit from the Treasury Share Regime

The treasury share regime brings Hong Kong generally on a par with jurisdictions where the majority of companies currently listed in Hong Kong are incorporated. It allows Hong Kong incorporated listed companies to hold bought-back shares as treasury shares and to cancel, sell and transfer them. This framework provides greater flexibility to listed companies in their capital management and at the same time requires enhanced disclosure that will improve corporate governance. Together, these features support the integrated development of Hong Kong as an international financial centre.

推動本地公司以無紙化方式作出公司通訊

為推動公司通訊無紙化以提升公司效率和成本效益，以及鼓勵香港採用環保的營商模式，政府引入了默示同意機制，提供多一個選項讓公司可選擇通過網站發布公司通訊。就此而言，公司可按實際需要及自身情況，選擇其合適的同意機制。

擴展交付招股章程的安排

為支持香港聯合交易所有限公司(下稱「聯交所」)在各項業務運作上採納可持續發展的措施，本處已作出安排，讓已獲聯交所批准的招股章程及隨附文件，可通過電子方式交付公司註冊處處長(下稱「處長」)登記。由二零二四年九月二十三日起，有關安排已推展至涵蓋在惡劣天氣下交付處長登記的招股章程及隨附文件，以貫徹本處致力為客戶提供便捷服務的承諾。

善用科技致力提升服務

為配合日新月異的科技發展及迅速轉變的營商環境，本處持續與時並進，善用科技提升實力，特別是運用「應用程式介面」連接「商業數據通」，作為推動金融機構及企業創新和提升效率的其中一項措施。

Promoting paperless corporate communication for Hong Kong companies

To promote paperless corporate communication for companies with a view to enhancing corporate efficiency and cost-effectiveness, as well as encouraging eco-friendly business practices in Hong Kong, an implied consent mechanism was introduced as an additional option for companies to adopt in disseminating corporate communication by means of website. As such, companies may choose their preferred consent mechanism in accordance with their actual needs and circumstances.

Extending the arrangement for the submission of a prospectus

In support of the adoption of sustainable practices across business operations by The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("the Exchange"), the Registry has established the arrangements whereby prospectuses and accompanying documents authorised by the Exchange can be delivered electronically to the Registrar of Companies ("the Registrar") for registration. The arrangement has been extended to prospectuses and accompanying documents delivered to the Registrar for registration during severe weather conditions with effect from 23 September 2024, in alignment with our commitment to prioritising convenient services to our customers.

Enhancing service delivery with the use of technology

To keep pace with technological advancement and changes in business dynamics, we continue to harness the power of technology, specifically through the connection with Commercial Data Interchange via the use of Application Programming Interface as one of the measures of innovation and enhanced efficiency for financial institutions and enterprises.

把握大灣區帶來的機遇

香港作為粵港澳大灣區(下稱「大灣區」)內高度國際化和開放的城市，是外國和本地投資者進軍大灣區開拓商機的理想門戶。本處將全力以赴，繼續通過協助創辦企業、堅守嚴謹的企業管治準則、加強執法和引入新措施，以促進商業發展。

本處的成績

我們矢志建立一個首屈一指的公司註冊處，工作屢獲肯定。我們於年內榮獲以下多個獎項：

- 在僱員再培訓局推行的「ERB人才企業嘉許計劃」中，獲嘉許為「Super MD」；
- 連續16年獲得「中小企業最佳拍檔獎」及連續七年獲頒金獎；
- 獲頒2024年「友商有良」卓越企業嘉許狀和「友商有良5+」標誌；
- 獲中西、南及離島區推廣義工服務協調委員會頒發傑出義工團體獎狀；及
- 本處年報贏得多個獎項，包括「2024年Astrid國際年報大獎」、「2024年國際年報比賽」、「2023 Vision Awards年報比賽」及二零二四至二五年度「MERCURY國際年報大獎」中的獎項。

Leveraging the opportunities of the Greater Bay Area

Hong Kong, being the most international and open city in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area ("the GBA"), serves as an ideal gateway for both foreign and local investors seeking to access opportunities within the GBA. The Registry continues to foster business development by facilitating the startup process, upholding rigorous corporate governance standards, strengthening enforcement efforts, and introducing new initiatives.

Our Achievements

Our unwavering commitment to establishing a first-class Registry has received a great deal of recognition. During the year, we received:

- the "Super Manpower Developer" as accredited under the "ERB Manpower Developer Award Scheme" launched by the Employees Retraining Board;
- the "Best SME's Partner Award" for 16 consecutive years and the Gold Award for seven consecutive years;
- the "2024 Partner Employer Award" and the "Partner Employer Award 5 years+" logo;
- the Certificate of Outstanding Volunteer Group under Coordinating Committee on Promotion of Volunteer Service (Central Western, Southern and Islands); and
- various awards for the Registry's Annual Report – the Astrid Awards 2024, the 2024 International Annual Report Competition Awards; the 2023 Vision Awards Annual Report Competition and the MERCURY Excellence Awards 2024-25.

衷心致謝

回顧本處今年成果豐碩，我謹向全體同事致以衷心感謝，同事鼎力支持和竭誠投入工作，成為推動本處向社會提供卓越服務的核心力量。客戶與各持份者給予我們的信任及信心，對本處繼續取得佳績亦至為重要。我期待與大家攜手並進，共建未來。



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Profound Appreciation

While reflecting on the Registry's achievements this year, I wish to express my profound appreciation to the colleagues of the Registry. Their steadfast support and dedication to innovation and the implementation of new initiatives have been the impetus to our exceptional service provision for the community. The trust and confidence of our customers and stakeholders have also been instrumental in our achievements. I look forward to shaping our future together.

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