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International Experts on Trade, AI and Space Meet in Hong Kong at Global Prosperity Summit, 19-21 May, 2025

(Hong Kong, 24 April 2025) – “The second Global Prosperity Summit (GPS) will be held from 19 to 21 May 2025 in Hong Kong. Following the highly successful launch of GPS in Hong Kong last year, this year’s edition will bring together international experts on Trade, AI, Space, and Climate Change to debate the most critical issues impacting global development and Hong Kong’s role in a fast-changing world,” a spokesperson of Savantas Policy Institute announced.

Apart from the Savantas Policy Institute and the Shanghai Institutes for International Studies, the European Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong has joined as a co-organiser.

“There will be five panels of experts discussing five key topics, namely ‘The Promise of Space – Breakthroughs and Potential’, ‘AI and the Future of Work’, ‘Trade War, Hot Wars and the Global Economy’, ‘Climate Change and Sustainable Development’, and ‘Hong Kong’s Bridging Role in a Changing World’,” the spokesperson explained.

Mrs Regina Ip, a founder of GPS and Chairperson of the Board of Governors of the Savantas Policy Institute, said, “We take great pride in Hong Kong’s unique role in connecting China with the world under the ‘One Country, Two Systems’ arrangement, and are confident that this year’s Global Prosperity Summit will be another successful event that serves to enhance Hong Kong’s global connectivity.”

Professor Yang Jiemian, Chairman of Academic Advisory Council from the Shanghai Institutes for International Studies said, “We are pleased to see the Global Prosperity Summit taking a big step forward during this time by leveraging Hong Kong’s unique advantages in reinforcing the city’s connectivity with both the Mainland and the wider world. The participation of the European Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong as a co-organiser for this year’s Summit sends a powerful message that cross-border collaboration is the way forward.”

Mr Iñaki Amate, Chairman of the European Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong, said, “At this challenging time, and with global risks growing, it is essential to leverage international cooperation and specialised knowledge across various fields to devise effective, timely solutions for our future. We eagerly anticipate the exchange of insights both on stage and among the audience as we tackle the unprecedented challenges presented by this new post-war landscape.”

GPS 2025 will be held at The Fullerton Ocean Park Hotel Hong Kong. Participants will include renowned scholars and experts from around the world, including Mainland China, Europe, North America and Asia.

A copy of the Programme with list of speakers and moderators is attached.

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About Global Prosperity Summit Hong Kong

Global Prosperity Summit Hong Kong was initiated by a group of business, academic and thought leaders in Hong Kong to provide a platform for frank, objective and rational discussion of dominant issues impacting global prosperity. The inaugural Summit was held in Hong Kong in 2024.

About Savantas Policy Institute

Savantas Policy Institute (SPI) was founded in 2006 by a group of Hong Kong belingers with overseas experience who care deeply about Hong Kong. The core vision of SPI is to enhance Hong Kong's transformation into a knowledge-based economy. SPI engages mainly in conducting public policy research and analysis and recommending appropriate long-term developmental strategies, as well as promoting public understanding of and participation in the economic and social development of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region.

About Shanghai Institutes for International Studies

Established in 1960, Shanghai Institutes for International Studies (SIIS) has played a crucial role in conducting strategic research, providing policy recommendations and contributing to the understanding of international politics, economics, security and other related fields. It has evolved into an important institution informing and shaping China's foreign policy and global engagement and has been accredited as one of the most influential think tanks in China and around the world.

About European Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong

Initiated in 1997, the European Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong (EuroCham) is a non-governmental business interest group. The EuroCham is a 'Chamber of Chambers' with its membership comprising 16 European Chambers based in Hong Kong. The appointed representatives of these chambers make up EuroCham's Board of Directors. Over 1,600 European companies are operating in Hong Kong. In 2019, Europe maintained its position as Hong Kong's second-largest trading partner after mainland China and Hong Kong's second-largest export destination and third-largest import supplier.

Annex

Details of the five panel discussions at the “Global Prosperity Summit 2025” are set out below:

20 May 2025 (Tuesday)

• Keynote Address

Keynote speech on “China’s Worldview” by President Wu Hailong of the China Public Diplomacy Association

• Panel 1 : The Promise of Space - Breakthroughs and Potential

Moderator : Professor Yang Gao

Professor of Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (Designate)

Speakers :

1. Ms. Katherine Courtney

Chair, Global Network on Sustainability in Space

2. Professor Xurong Dong

Dean of School of Aerospace and BDS Technology at Guangdong Industries Polytechnic University

3. Dr. Adam Janikowski

Founder and Managing Director, BDJ Capital

• Summit Luncheon

• Panel 2 : AI and the Future of Work

Moderator : Mr. James Root

Senior Partner, Bain & Company and Chair, Bain Futures

Speakers :

1. Mr. Zack Kass

Advisor, Futurist, and Former Head of Go-To-Market at Open AI

2. Dr. Andrew Ng

Managing General Partner at AI Fund and Founder of DeepLearning.AI (by Zoom)

3. Professor Y.C. Richard Wong

Provost and Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Philip Wong Kennedy Wong Professor in Political Economy, The University of Hong Kong

• Panel 3 : Trade War, Hot Wars, and the Global Economy

Moderator : Mr. Iñaki Amate

Chairman, European Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong

Speakers :

1. **Mr. Jamil Anderlini**
Regional Director, Europe, POLITICO
2. **Mr. John A. Clarke**
Fellow of Maastricht University and Fellow of the Royal Asiatic Society, Special Adviser on Trade, Former Head of the EU Delegation to the WTO and UN
3. **Mr. Simon Lacey**
Head, Digital Trade and Geopolitics, World Economic Forum
4. **Professor Lan Xue**
Dean, Schwarzman College, Tsinghua University

21 May 2025 (Wednesday)

- **Panel 4 : Climate Change and Sustainable Development**

Moderator : Professor Peng Gong

Chair Professor of Global Sustainability and Vice President of Academic Development, The University of Hong Kong

Speakers :

1. **Mrs. Deepali Khanna**
Vice President, The Rockefeller Foundation
2. **A climate expert from China**
3. **An international climate expert**

- **Panel 5 : Hong Kong's Bridging Role in a Changing World**

Moderator : Mr. Vikram Channa

Vice President and Head of Content & Products Greater China and South East Asia, Warner Bros. Discovery

Speakers :

1. **Ambassador Craig Allen**
Senior Counselor, The Cohen Group
2. **Sir Sherard Cowper-Coles KCMG LVO**
Chair, China-Britain Business Council and Senior Adviser to the Group, HSBC Holdings plc
3. **Professor Howard W. French**
Professor of Journalism, Columbia Journalism School, Columbia University