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**Global Prosperity Summit 2026 to Convene in Hong Kong This May
Five Key Themes: Drug Innovation, International Trade, Aerospace Development,
Sports & Culture, and Cryptocurrency**

(Hong Kong, 23 April 2026) – The Global Prosperity Summit 2026 (GPS 2026) will take place in Hong Kong from 19 to 20 May 2026. Jointly organised by the Savantas Policy Institute, the Shanghai Institutes for International Studies, and the European Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong, the Summit will convene leading local and international experts to examine issues critical to Hong Kong’s future and global prosperity.

This year’s Summit will spotlight five key themes: innovative drug development in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area, Hong Kong’s positioning as a sports, cultural and recreational hub, the evolving landscape of cryptocurrencies, international trade amid a shifting global order, and Hong Kong’s role in advancing the commercial aerospace economy.

Mrs Regina Ip, Founder of the Global Prosperity Summit and Chairperson of the Board of Governors of the Savantas Policy Institute, said, “Against the backdrop of mounting geopolitical tensions, rational and constructive dialogue has become more important than ever. GPS 2026 will focus on issues that are not only critical to Hong Kong’s future development, but also closely linked to global prosperity.”

Returning for its third consecutive year, the Summit will be held at the Fullerton Ocean Park Hotel Hong Kong and will feature a dynamic programme of forward-looking discussions. A keynote address on “China’s Global Governance Initiative” will be delivered by Mr. Han Zhiqiang, Vice President, China Public Diplomacy Association. The agenda also includes five thematic panel sessions: “Innovative Drug Development in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area”, “Hong Kong as a Sports, Cultural and Recreational Hub”, “The Good, the Bad and the Ugly in the Crypto World”, “International Trade in a Changing World Order”, and “Hong Kong as a Facilitator of Aerospace Development”.

In addition to distinguished scholars and experts from the Chinese Mainland, Europe, North America and across Asia, the Summit will bring together officials from the HKSAR Government and Members of the Legislative Council, reflecting a broad spectrum of perspectives. Building on its strong foundations, GPS 2026 continues to reinforce Hong Kong’s role as a leading platform for cross-disciplinary exchange —fostering collaboration, driving innovation, and advancing sustainable global prosperity.

A copy of the programme, including the list of speakers and moderators, is attached.

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Mrs Regina Ip, Founder of the Global Prosperity Summit and Chairperson of the Board of Governors of the Savantas Policy Institute, announced the Global Prosperity Summit 2026 will be held from 19 to 20 May 2026.

About Global Prosperity Summit

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

About Savantas Policy Institute

The Savantas Policy Institute (SPI) was established in 2006 by a group of Hong Kong residents with international experience who are committed to the city's future development. SPI's mission is to support Hong Kong's transition into a knowledge-based economy through public policy research, strategic recommendations, and the promotion of public understanding and participation in economic and social development.

About Shanghai Institutes for International Studies

Established in 1960, the Shanghai Institutes for International Studies (SIIS) is a leading think tank dedicated to research on international politics, economics and security. It plays an important role in providing policy recommendations and advancing understanding of global affairs, and is widely recognised as one of China’s most influential research institutions.

About European Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong

Established in 1997, the European Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong (EuroCham) is a non-governmental business interest group comprising 16 European chambers based in Hong Kong. Representing over 1,600 European companies operating in the city, EuroCham promotes European business interests and strengthens economic ties between Europe and Hong Kong. Europe is Hong Kong’s second-largest trading partner after the Chinese Mainland.

Annex

Details of the programme and the list of speakers and moderators at the “Global Prosperity Summit 2026” are set out below:

19 May 2026 (Tuesday)

- Welcome Remarks

The Honourable Mrs. Regina Ip, GBM, GBS, JP

Convenor of the Non-official Members of the Executive Council, Hong Kong, and Chairperson of the Board of Governors, Savantas Policy Institute

- Keynote Speech: China’s Global Governance Initiative

Speaker : Mr. Han Zhiqiang, Vice President, China Public Diplomacy Association

- “APEC+” vs “+APEC”: A Collaborative Initiative from Shanghai and Hong Kong Think Tanks

Speakers :

1. The Honourable Mrs. Regina Ip, GBM, GBS, JP

Chairperson of the Board of Governors of Savantas Policy Institute

2. Professor Kaisheng Li

Vice-President of the Shanghai Institutes for International Studies (“SIIS”)

- Panel 1 : Innovative Drug Development in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area

Moderator: Dr. Hon David Tzit-yuen Lam

Member (Functional Constituency - Medical and Health Services) of the Legislative Council of the HKSAR

Speakers :

1. Mr. Frank Ling-fung Chan, JP

Assistant Director of Health, the Department of Health, the Government of the HKSAR

2. Ms. Sabrina Chan

Senior Executive Director, the Hong Kong Association of the Pharmaceutical Industry (“HKAPI”)

3. Professor Tony Mok, BBS

Professor, Faculty of Medicine at The Chinese University of Hong Kong

- Talk: Telling Hong Kong Stories through the Arts

Speaker : Mr. Septime Webre, Artistic Director of the Hong Kong Ballet

- Summit Luncheon

- **Panel 2 : Hong Kong as a Sports, Cultural, and Recreational Hub**

Moderator: Mr. Vikram Channa

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

Speakers :

1. **Mr. Andre Blumberg**
Founder and Challenge Director, Hong Kong Four Trails Ultra Challenge
2. **Mr. Adrian Pang**
Commodore of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club
3. **Mr. Casper Stylsvig**
Executive Director, Sports Business of The Hong Kong Jockey Club
4. **Mrs. Bonnie Chan Woo**
CEO and Founder of Complex Asia and SV Vision Limited

20 May 2026 (Wednesday)

- **Panel 3 : The Good, the Bad and the Ugly in the Crypto World**

Moderator: Dr. Eric Chee-hang Yip

Executive Director, Intermediaries Division, Securities and Futures Commission (“SFC”)

Speakers :

1. **Mr. George Gaffney**
Chief Operating Officer, Bullish Group
2. **Mr. Christopher Hui, GBS, JP**
Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury, the Government of the HKSAR
3. **Dr. Hon Johnny Kit-chong Ng, MH, JP**
Member of the Legislative Council of the HKSAR

- **Panel 4 : International Trade in a Changing World Order**

Moderator: Ambassador Kurt Tong

Managing Partner, The Asia Group

Speakers :

1. **Datuk Professor Dr. Mohd Faiz Abdullah**
Executive Chairman of the Institute of Strategic & International Studies (“ISIS”) Malaysia
2. **Mr. Mark Boris Andrijanič**
Member of the Board of the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (“EIT”)
3. **Professor Kaisheng Li**
Vice-President of the Shanghai Institutes for International Studies (“SIIS”)
4. **Mr. Sean Stein**
President of the US-China Business Council (“USCBC”)

- **Fireside Chat on “Progress on The New Space Economy since GPS 2025”**

Speakers :

1. **Professor Bernard Foing**

President of Space Renaissance International (“SRI”); Executive Director of the International Lunar Exploration Working Group (“ILEWG”); CEO of LUNEX EuroSpaceHub and EuroMoonMars Earth Space Innovation; and Academician at the International Academy of Astronautics (“IAA”)

2. **Professor Yang Gao**

Director of the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (“HKUST”) Centre for AI Robotics in Space Sustainability; Co-Director of Space Science and Technology Institute; and Director of the InnoHK Hong Kong Space Robotics and Energy Centre (“HKSREC”)

- **Panel 5 : Hong Kong as a Facilitator of Aerospace Development**

Moderator : Mr. Iñaki Amate

Co-Founder and Partner at SpaceHK Ltd

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3. **Dr. Roger Tong**

CEO of Asia Satellite Telecommunications Company Limited (“AsiaSat”)