

Foreword

Formulated in the opening year of the National 15th Five-Year Plan, this inaugural Five-Year Plan of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) represents a major initiative of the HKSAR Government to uphold and enhance the executive-led system, and to improve the efficacy of its governance. It signals the strategic planning need for Hong Kong to proactively align with national development strategies, and better integrate into and serve the overall national development. It also provides an action agenda for forging consensus and uniting different sectors in society with a view to promoting Hong Kong's transition from stability to prosperity and achieving high-quality development of our city.

The formulation of the First Five-Year Plan for Economic and Social Development of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (2026-2030) (Hong Kong's Five-Year Plan) has to be grounded in the city's practical reality. It is imperative to devise a medium- to long-term strategy for Hong Kong's development, spelling out the directions of development, mission targets, strategic priorities as well as implementation roadmaps, supported by operable and effective policy measures and major projects that feature Hong Kong's unique character. By formulating the Five-Year Plan, we shall shed light on our directions of development, optimise resource allocation, stabilise social expectations, and better protect social well-being and the interests of investors across the world, building a Hong Kong that is more open, more inclusive, more liberal, more prosperous and safer. We will make Hong Kong a bridge and gateway between our country and the rest of the world as well as a more attractive, vibrant and opportunity-rich world city, continuing to make unique and more substantial contributions to building a strong country and achieving national rejuvenation through advancement of Chinese modernisation.