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## **Organizing of conference for constructive dialogues among Government officials, logistics and transport practitioners, trade union representatives, and scholars on development of logistics and transport development in Hong Kong**

In the past two years, Hong Kong has been severely affected by the pandemic, and the logistics and transport industry has not been spared. To this end, the Logistics and Transport Industry Committee of the Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions and the UOW Hong Kong College jointly organized the Logistics and Transport Seminar 2022 to discuss issues related to the industry's latest developments, long-term transport and logistics policies, and talent nurturing and human resources in the industry on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2022 at Kowloon City Campus.

Hon WONG Kwok, BBS, JP, Chairman of the Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions and Dr CHOI Yiu-kuen, Vice-President (Planning) of the UOWCHK, delivered welcome speech to kick off the seminar. We were very honored to have Mr LAM Sai-hung, GBS, JP, Secretary for Transport and Logistics, Hon LUK Chung-hung, JP, LegCo Member, Mr HO Lap Kee, MH, JP, FCILT, Executive Director of the Hong Kong Shippers' Council, Mr LAM Wai Kong, MH, Vice Chairman of the Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions, and Dr LEE Choi Hung, Assistant Professor of the UOWCHK to be the keynote speakers and share their insights. This seminar attracted more than 60 participants.

Hon Wong Kwok, said that the logistics and transportation industry is a good growth point for Hong Kong to continue to enhance its development momentum, as Hong Kong has a unique geographical advantage and a large number of experienced, professional and outstanding practitioners. He suggested that the Government could enhance the application of emerging technologies such as "e-business", "artificial intelligence", "datafication" and "block chain" in order to advance the development of the industry. The Secretary for Transport and Logistics, Mr Lam Sai-hung, also said that Hong Kong's logistics and transportation industry still had advantages, especially when the Government developed the "Three Railways and Three Roads" infrastructure project, which had enhanced the industry's competitiveness.

Mr LUK Chung Hung, member of the Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions, opined that Hong Kong's multimodal transport model was very effective and if supported by smart technology, the future of Hong Kong's logistics industry was promising. The Executive Director of the Hong Kong Shippers' Association, Mr Ho Lap Ki, JP, also said that as the epidemic would continue for some time, he agreed that the development of new technology would undoubtedly be beneficial to the industry and solve some practical problems.

Speaking at the seminar, Mr Lam Wai Kong, Vice Chairman of the Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions (FTU), expressed his hope that the Government would set up a training fund for the logistics and transportation industry to help employees learn new skills to meet future challenges. The seminar was very enriching with positive contribution to the industry.



A group photo with participants



A panoramic view of participants



A speech by Dr. Fion Lee



A speech by Mr LAM Sai-hung, GBS, JP, Secretary for Transport and Logistics