

# Hong Kong – A Superior Location for Advanced Manufacturing

With its proximity to Mainland China and strong support from the Government, Hong Kong is well positioned to develop into an international innovation and technology hub. One of the key initiatives is the promotion of advanced manufacturing/re-industrialisation to develop advanced manufacturing industries that are based on new technologies and intelligent manufacturing. It is an important strategy to foster a more vibrant and diversified economy.

The current term Government has invested over HK\$130 billion in Innovation and Technology (I&T) development. Government support covers infrastructure, capital, talent and technological development.

#### Advanced Manufacturing Infrastructure

The Advanced Manufacturing Centre (AMC), slated to open in mid-2022, will provide a total gross floor area of 1.1 million square feet of agile and smart production facilities to support high end manufacturing industries. AMC has the following advantages:

- Scalable high value-added production base;
- · Comprehensive critical support services; and
- Communal distribution centre.

## **Technological Development**

The Hong Kong Productivity Council (HKPC) helps local companies to enhance their productivity and competitiveness through the introduction of more efficient and updated business and technological methods. They provide consultancy, technological development, training and other support services across a wide range of areas including smart manufacturing.

The Government has set up five Research and Development (R&D) Centres to drive and coordinate applied R&D in

selected focus areas and to promote commercialisation of R&D results and technology transfer:

- Automotive Platforms and Application Systems R&D Centre (APAS);
- Hong Kong Applied Science and Technology Research Institute (ASTRI);
- Hong Kong Research Institute of Textiles and Apparel (HKRITA);
- Logistics and Supply Chain MultiTech R&D Centre (LSCM); and
- Nano and Advanced Materials Institute (NAMI).

#### Nurture Talent

Re-industrialisation and Technology Training Programme (RTTP) aims to encourage local companies to train their staff in advanced technologies, especially those related to "Industry 4.0".

### **Funding Support**

Re-industrialisation Funding Scheme (RFS) aims to subsidise manufacturers to set up new smart production lines in Hong Kona

## **Opportunities**

- Hong Kong is a free port with unrestricted access to funds, a sound intellectual property (IP) protection system, a solid foundation for R&D in local universities, and the advantages of local industries in international marketing, sales and global customer base.
- As a highly export-oriented open economy, and in conjunction with the National 14th Five-Year Plan which clearly supports Hong Kong's development as an international I&T hub, Hong Kong can make use of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (GBA) as an entry point to integrate into the overall development of the Mainland, and give full play to the advantages of domestic and external circulation.
- With technology, infrastructure and talent in place, coupled with the active support of the government, advanced manufacturing in Hong Kong has great potential and much room for development.



## **Useful Links**

**Advanced Manufacturing Centre** 

amc.hkstp.org

Automotive Platforms and Application Systems R&D Centre

apas.hk

Hong Kong Applied Science and Technology Research Institute

astri.org

**Hong Kong Productivity Council** 

hkpc.org

Hong Kong Research Institute of Textiles and Apparel

hkrita.com

Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation

hkstp.org

Innovation and Technology Fund Innovation and Technology Commission

itf.gov.hk

Logistics and Supply Chain MultiTech R&D Centre

Iscm.hk

Nano and Advanced Materials Institute

nami.org.hk

Re-industrialisation Funding Scheme

itf.gov.hk/en/funding-programmes/ facilitating-technology/rfs

Re-industrialisation and Technology Training Programme

itf.gov.hk/en/funding-programmes/ nurturing-talent/rttp

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