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A powerful combination of factors – prime location, rule of law, high-speed communications, free flow of information and capital, a low and simple tax system and a pro-business government – makes Hong Kong a leading international business and financial centre.

A magnet for foreign firms

Overseas and Mainland companies in Hong Kong (2022):



Total number of operations:

9,039



Regional
Headquarters:
1,336



Regional
Offices:
2,311



Local
Offices:
5,392



Staff
engaged:
468,000

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Start-up Hub

- The city hosted over 4,000 start-ups in 2023.
- Support for start-ups: excellent package of advantages, incubators and accelerators, government funding support and private venture capital.

Leading capital markets

- World No.4 for Initial Public Offering (IPO) funds raised in 2022
- World No. 1 for arranging Asian International bond issuances
- Asia's largest hedge fund hub and Asia's 2nd largest private equity fund centre
- World's largest investment hub
- One of the world's leading fundraising hubs for biotech companies



To further expand the connection with potential issuers in ASEAN, the Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited expanded its Singapore office in 2022 and has arranged a series of outreach activities to various ASEAN economies. These activities aim to promote the latest rules for listing and fundraising in Hong Kong, enhance the connection with target groups, and attract more ASEAN companies to set up businesses and raise funds in Hong Kong.

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Premier international banking sector

- 73 of the world's 100 top banks operate in Hong Kong
- Robust, well-capitalised banking sector:
 - ~ Free flow of capital underpinned by a rule-based, transparent regulatory environment
 - ~ World-class banking regulation and supervision in line with international standards
- State-of-the-art financial infrastructure

Green finance hub

- Premier financing platform for international and Mainland green enterprises/projects.
- A total of around US\$24 billion worth of green bonds under the Government Green Bond Programme covering multiple currencies and different tenors were issued.

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Hong Kong welcomes talent

- The Top Talent Pass Scheme engages talents with a one-stop platform Hong Kong Talent Engage (www.hkengage.gov.hk) to provide support services for incomers.
- Talents and professionals from all industries and sectors are welcome to submit applications under the Quality Migrant Admission Scheme or other schemes to come to Hong Kong.



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