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## Industry News

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### Technology Voucher Programme opens for application

The Innovation and Technology Commission today (November 21) launched a \$500 million Technology Voucher Programme (TVP) on a pilot basis under the Innovation and Technology Fund (ITF).

The Secretary for Innovation and Technology, Mr Nicholas W Yang, said, "Small and medium enterprises (SMEs) account for over 98 per cent of the total number of enterprises in Hong Kong. The TVP provides incentives to promote the effective use of technological services and solutions by SMEs to enhance their operational efficiency, and fosters business opportunities for local service providers of technological solutions. We hope that the TVP will encourage the private sector to invest in innovation and technology, so as to improve productivity and long-term competitiveness."

Under the TVP, SMEs registered under the Business Registration Ordinance (Cap. 310) and with at least one year of substantive business operation in Hong Kong may submit applications. The Government will provide cumulative funding up to \$200,000 on a 2:1 matching basis for each eligible SME. The SME must contribute no less than one third of the project cost. Upon project completion, the Government will disburse the approved funding to the applicant.

Taking into account the different business and technological needs of SMEs, the Government suggests that SMEs should identify suitable technology consultants or providers according to their needs after examining their business operations, so as to achieve the objective of improving productivity, or upgrading or transforming their business processes. While the Government will not draw up a list of designated technology consultants or providers, SMEs need to comply with the procurement procedures set out under the TVP such as the quotation procedures.

Eligible applications will be vetted by a TVP Committee chaired by Professor Eric Yim and comprising members from the business sector, the technology sector, the professional services sector and relevant government departments.

In the 2016-17 Budget, the Financial Secretary announced the allocation of \$500 million to launch the TVP under the ITF. The TVP will be implemented on a pilot basis for three years.

The TVP is now open for application. For more information, please visit the dedicated website at [tvp.itf.gov.hk](http://tvp.itf.gov.hk). For enquiries, please contact the TVP Secretariat at Tel: 3523 1170 or by email: [tvp-enquiry@itc.gov.hk](mailto:tvp-enquiry@itc.gov.hk).

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## 科技券計劃接受申請

創新科技署今日（十一月二十一日）在創新及科技基金（基金）下，以先導形式推出五億元的科技券計劃。

創新及科技局局長楊偉雄表示：「中小型企業（中小企）佔本港企業總數百分之九十八以上。科技券計劃提供誘因，推動中小企善用科技服務及方案，提升營運效率，同時亦為本地科技方案服務提供者締造商機。我們希望透過計劃促使私營機構投資創新科技，以提高生產力及長遠競爭力。」

在科技券計劃下，根據《商業登記條例》（第310章）登記，並在本港有實質業務運作最少一年的中小企，均可提出申請。政府會以2:1的配對方式，向每家合資格中小企提供累計上限為20萬元的資助，有關的中小企則須投入不少於項目成本三分之一的資金。項目完成後，政府會向申請企業發放核准資助。

考慮到中小企有不同的業務和科技需要，政府建議中小企在檢視其業務運作後，根據自身需要尋找合適的科技顧問公司或供應商，以達至提高生產力或升級轉型的目標。就提供服務的科技顧問公司或供應商，政府並不會設立特定的名單。然而，中小企在採購過程中須依從計劃所定的程序（例如報價程序）。

合資格的申請將由科技券計劃委員會予以評審。該委員會由嚴志明教授擔任主席，成員來自工商界、科技界、專業服務界及相關政府部門。

在二〇一六至一七年度《財政預算案》中，財政司司長宣布在創新及科技基金撥出五億元成立科技券計劃，以先導形式推行三年。

科技券計劃現正接受申請。如欲取得更多資料，請瀏覽專屬網站：[tvp.itf.gov.hk](http://tvp.itf.gov.hk)。如有查詢，請與科技券計劃秘書處聯絡（電話：3523 1170 或電郵：[tvp-enquiry@itc.gov.hk](mailto:tvp-enquiry@itc.gov.hk)）。

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