

Government Funding Schemes Relatable to FTAHK Members

No.	Funds / Schemes	Objectives	Target recipients	Contact
Financing and Guarantee				
1.	SME Loan Guarantee Scheme	Help SMEs secure loans from participating lending institutions for acquiring business installations and equipment or meeting working capital needs of general business uses	SMEs ¹ (except lending institutions and their associates) with substantive business operations in Hong Kong	Trade and Industry Department Tel: 2398 5129 Email: sgs_enquiry@tid.gov.hk Website: https://www.smefund.tid.gov.hk/sgs/eng
2.	SME Financing Guarantee Scheme	Help SMEs and non-listed enterprises obtain financing from participating lenders for meeting business needs	Enterprises registered in Hong Kong (except listed companies, lending institutions and affiliates of lending institutions) and operating for at least 1 year	HKMC Insurance Limited Tel: 2536 0392 Email: emf_enquiry@tid.gov.hk Website: http://www.hkmc.com.hk/eng/#Corporate
3.	Trade and Industrial Organisation Fund	Provides financial support to non-profit-distributing organisations to implement projects which aim at enhancing the competitiveness of non-listed Hong Kong enterprises in general or in specific sectors	Non-profit-distributing organisations (such as trade and industrial organisations, professional bodies or research institutes)	Trade and Industry Department Tel: 2398 5128 Email: tsf_enquiry@tid.gov.hk Website: https://www.smefund.tid.gov.hk/tsf/eng
Market Development/Business Upgrading				
4.	SME Export Marketing Fund	Encourage SMEs to expand markets outside Hong Kong by participating in export promotion activities	SMEs ¹	Trade and Industry Department Tel: 2398 5127 Email: emf_enquiry@tid.gov.hk Website: https://www.smefund.tid.gov.hk/emf/eng
5.	Dedicated Fund on Branding, Upgrading and Domestic Sales (BUD Fund)	Assist Hong Kong enterprises in undertaking projects to develop brands, upgrade and restructure their business operations and promote sales in the Mainland / ASEAN markets	Non-listed local enterprises	Hong Kong Productivity Council Tel: 2788 6088 Email: bud_sec@hkpc.org Website: https://www.bud.hkpc.org/en
6.	Retail Technology Adoption Assistance Scheme for Manpower Demand Management (ReTAAS)	Provide funding support for retail enterprises to adopt technologies for manpower demand management purposes and help enhance productivity	Non-listed enterprises (except catering industry) with substantive retail business operations in Hong Kong	Hong Kong Productivity Council Tel: 2788 6262 Email: retaas_sec@hkpc.org Website: https://www.retaas.hkpc.org/en/index.aspx

¹ Manufacturing enterprises with fewer than 100 employees and non-manufacturing enterprises with fewer than 50 employees are regarded as small and medium enterprises (SMEs) in Hong Kong.

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7.	Professional Services Advancement Support Scheme	Support Hong Kong's professional services sector to carry out worthwhile projects to spearhead proactive outreaching promotion efforts and to improve service offerings	Non-profit-distributing organisations (such as trade and industrial organisations, professional bodies or research institutes)	Commerce and Economic Development Bureau Tel: 3655 5418 Email: pass@cedb.gov.hk Website: https://www.pass.gov.hk
Supporting Research & Development (R&D)				
8.	Innovation and Technology Support Programme (ITSP)	Supports research and development (R&D) projects undertaken by designated local public research institutes and R&D Centres.	R&D Centres and designated local public research institutes	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3655 5678 Email: enquiry@itf.gov.hk Website: https://www.itf.gov.hk/-eng/ITSP.asp
9.	Partnership Research Programme (PRP)	Support research and development (R&D) projects undertaken by private companies in collaboration with local universities and public research institutions	Locally incorporated companies, or industry support organisations/ trade and industry associations/ professional bodies having the legal capacity to enter into contracts	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3655 5678 Email: enquiry@itf.gov.hk Website: https://www.itf.gov.hk/-eng/PRP.asp
10.	Enterprise Support Scheme (ESS)	Encourage the private sector to invest in research and development (R&D)	Locally incorporated companies	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3422 3700 Email: ess@itc.gov.hk Website: http://www.itf.gov.hk/-eng/ESS.asp
11.	Research and Development Cash Rebate Scheme (CRS)	Reinforce the research culture among private companies and encourage them to establish stronger partnership with designated local public research institutions	Enterprises registered in Hong Kong	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3655 5678 Email: crs-enquiry@itc.gov.hk Website: http://www.itf.gov.hk/-eng/crs.asp
Facilitating Technology Adoption				
12.	Technology Voucher Programme (TVP)	Support projects in the form of technological services and solutions to improve productivity, or upgrade or transform the business processes of enterprises	Non-listed local enterprises with substantive business operations in Hong Kong	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3523 1170 Email: tvp-enquiry@itc.gov.hk Website: https://tvp.itf.gov.hk
Nurturing Technology Talent				
13.	Reindustrialisation and Technology Training Programme (RTTP)	Subsidise local companies to train staff in advanced technologies, especially those related to "Industry 4.0"	Enterprises registered in Hong Kong	Vocational Training Council Tel: 3907 6660 / 3907 6681 Email: rttp@vtc.edu.hk Website: https://rttp.vtc.edu.hk/
Supporting Technology Start-ups				
14.	Technology Start-up Support Scheme for Universities (TSSSU)	Provides funding to designated local universities to support their teams in starting technology businesses and commercialising their research and development (R&D) results	Locally incorporated technology start-ups established for not more than two years, and the teams of the start-ups having any mix of the students and professors of the designated universities	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel: 3655 5678 Email: enquiry@itf.gov.hk Website: https://www.itf.gov.hk/-eng/TSSSU.asp

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Patent Application				
15.	The Patent Application Grant	Assist local companies and individuals to apply for patents of their own inventions to capitalise their intellectual work	Locally incorporated companies or Hong Kong permanent residents which/who have never owned any patents in any countries or territories	Hong Kong Productivity Council Tel: 2788 5958 Email: ipsc@hkpc.org Website: http://www.itc.gov.hk/en/funding/paq.htm
Science Park Programmes				
16.	Science and Technology Entrepreneur Programme (STEP)	Nurture tech-focused entrepreneurs to become successful startups and help them turn their brilliant ideas into reality.	Companies incorporated in Hong Kong for less than 1 year or Hong Kong permanent residents aged 18 or above	Hong Kong Science and Technology Park Corporation Tel: 2629 6872 Email: step@hkstp.org Website: https://www.hkstp.org/en/how-we-serve/pre-incubation/science-and-technology-entrepreneur-programme/
17.	Incu-Tech Incubation Programme	Provide a range of business and professional services to assist technology startups during their inception stages	Hong Kong registered technology start-up companies limited by shares and established for not more than 2 years	Hong Kong Science and Technology Park Corporation Tel: 2629 6873 Email: biadmin@hkstp.org Website: https://www.hkstp.org/en/how-we-serve/incubation-programmes/incu-tech/
18.	Incu-Bio Incubation Programme	Support the growth and development of biomedical tech start-ups in Hong Kong.	Hong Kong registered biomedical technology start-up companies limited by shares and established for not more than 2 years	Hong Kong Science and Technology Park Corporation Tel: 2629 6869 / 2629 7091 Email: incubio_enquiries@hkstp.org Website: https://www.hkstp.org/en/how-we-serve/incubation-programmes/incu-bio/
19.	Incu-App Incubation Programme	Provide startup support to companies working on business innovation during their inception stages.	Hong Kong registered technology start-up companies limited by shares and established for not more than 2 years	Hong Kong Science and Technology Park Corporation Tel: 2629 6873 Email: biadmin@hkstp.org Website: https://www.hkstp.org/en/how-we-serve/incubation-programmes/incu-app/
20.	Leading Enterprises Acceleration Programme (LEAP)	Caters to startups' distinctive needs for growth and accelerates their innovation onto the global stage.	Either be a current incubation company or a tenant of HKSTP	Hong Kong Science and Technology Park Corporation Tel: 2629 6685 Email: join.leap@hkstp.com Website: https://www.hkstp.org/en/how-we-serve/enterprise-acceleration/leading-enterprises-acceleration-programme/
21	Corporate Venture Fund (CVF)	Give early-stage Hong Kong technology startups a chance to fully develop their ideas and create revolutionary new tech products and services	Hong Kong registered technology companies who are either HKSTP incubatees, Incubation Programme graduates or current Science Park tenants	Hong Kong Science and Technology Park Corporation Email: cvf@hkstp.org Website: https://www.hkstp.org/en/how-we-serve/investment/corporate-venture-fund/

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Cyberport Programmes				
22.	Cyberport Creative Micro Fund	Encourage innovation and creativity by sponsoring high potential digital tech start-up projects and business ideas.	Locally incorporated limited companies or Hong Kong permanent residents aged 18 or above	Cyberport Tel: 3166 3900 Email: ccmf_enquiry@cyberport.hk Website: https://www.cyberport.hk/en/about_cyberport/cyberport_youth/cyberport_creative_micro_fund
23.	Cyberport Incubation Programme	Support entrepreneurs and start-ups with resources that aim to accelerate their growth.	Locally incorporated limited companies	Cyberport Tel: 3166 3900 Email: cip_enquiry@cyberport.hk Website: https://www.cyberport.hk/en/about_cyberport/cyberport_entrepreneurs/cyberport_incubation_programme
24.	Cyberport Accelerator Support Programme	Prepare Cyberport incubatees and alumni for international markets and investors	Cyberport incubatees or alumni	Cyberport Tel: 3166 3735 Email: casp@cyberport.hk Website: https://www.cyberport.hk/en/about_cyberport/cyberport_partners/cyberport_accelerator_support_programme
25.	Market Development Support Scheme	Provide a financial subsidy for graduates of Cyberport Incubation Programme (CIP) and Cyberport Creative Micro Fund (CCMF) to develop Mainland and Overseas market	Graduates or alumni from CIP and CCMF	Cyberport Tel: 3166 3846 Email: mdss@cyberport.hk Website: https://www.cyberport.hk/en/about_cyberport/cyberport_partners/marketing-development-support-scheme
26.	Cyberport Macro Fund	To invest in information and communications technology start-ups in Cyberport by providing them with seed to Series A funding, thereby fostering the development of venture capital and angel investments in Hong Kong	Digital technology companies with operation based in Hong Kong, which are either (i) incubatees or graduates of Cyberport's other programmes, (ii) Cyberport Smart-Space companies, or (iii) Cyberport office tenants	Cyberport Tel: 3166 3800 Email: macrofund@cyberport.hk Website: https://www.cyberport.hk/en/about_cyberport_macro_fund
Promoting IT Culture				
27.	General Support Programme (GSP)	Support non-R&D projects that contribute to the upgrading and development of our industries as well as fostering an innovation and technology culture in Hong Kong	Local unincorporated or incorporated companies, non-profit making trade and industry organisations, public bodies, or universities or other tertiary/post-secondary institutes by statute	Innovation and Technology Commission Tel.: 3655 5678 Email: enquiry@itf.gov.hk Website: https://www.itf.gov.hk/eng/GSP.asp

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