# Current Affairs Series 時事系列研討會

## Connectivity with PRD and Opportunities for Bridgehead Economy

The Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants has launched the Current Affairs Series as a new initiative this year. For the Series' second seminar, we have invited the Secretary for Development of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government, Mr Paul Chan, to talk to us on the enhancement of infrastructural connectivity with the Pearl River Delta (PRD), including the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (HZMB), the Express Rail Link and the Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point, and opportunities for developing a bridgehead economy, particularly at the Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities (HKBCF) Island of the HZMB and the neighbouring areas.

One of the aims of the 2008-20 plan of China's National Development and Reform Commission is to boost the pan-PRD region as a "centre of advanced manufacturing and modern service industries" on one hand and Hong Kong as a "centre for international shipping, logistics, trade, conferences and exhibitions and tourism" on the other. In connection with this strategy, the HKSAR Government is carrying out or will carry out a number of major studies, particularly in regard to Lantau Island. Recently, the Government has been conducting a planning, engineering and architectural study for topside development at the HKBCF Island of the HZMB. Initial analysis shows that since the HZMB could help promote the flow of passengers and goods between Hong Kong and the PRD Region, there is great potential to develop a bridgehead economy at the HKBCF Island which will serve as a strategic gateway of Hong Kong connecting with the PRD and the world. In addition, the HKSAR Government has just completed a Stage 1 community engagement exercise to collect views and feedback from the public.

In this seminar, Mr Chan will highlight the context, opportunities and constraints, as well as the positioning considerations, for the developments at Lantau being contemplated.

Date	Friday, 25 September 2015
Time	1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Venue	Hong Kong Institute of CPAs, 27/F., Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong.
Format	Seminar
Language	English
CPD hour	1 hour
Fee	Free for HKICPA member or student and IA/ HKIAAT member or student
Objective	To understand how the developments at Lantau being contemplated could bring economic benefits to Hong Kong businesses and people
Speaker	<b>Mr. Paul CHAN Mo-po</b> , MH, JP Secretary for Development, Development Bureau, HKSAR Government
	Mr. Chan has been appointed as Secretary for Development of the HKSAR Government since 30 July 2012.
	He is a CPA and holds a MBA degree from the Chinese University of Hong Kong and has also studied at the Harvard Business School. He is a former President of the Hong Kong Institute of CPAs and a former Chairman of The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, Hong Kong.
	He stood for the Accountancy Functional Constituency and was elected as a member of the Legislative Council of Hong Kong in 2008. Before joining the HKSAR Government, Mr. Chan held a number of public service positions including member of the Legislative Council, Chairman of Legal Aid Services Council, Board Member of the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority, non-official member of the Strategic Development Commission, Council Member of the Chinese University of Hong Kong and member of the Citizens Advisory Committee on Community Relations of the Independent Commission Against Corruption.
Participants	Members who are interested in the Pearl River Delta Development and the developments at Lantau being contemplated
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