

**Business Facilitation Advisory Committee
Task Force on Business Liaison Groups**

An Update of the Progress of Business Liaison Groups

Purpose

This paper provides an update of the overall work progress of the ten Business Liaison Groups (BLGs) since the last meeting of the Task Force on Business Liaison Groups (BLGTF) held on 24 April 2024.

Progress

2. From 11 April to 13 August 2024, we have invited trade operators of the 10 BLGs to participate in a joint BLG meeting and proactively liaised with the trade of six BLGs. At the joint BLG meeting, representatives of the then Office of the Government Chief Information Officer¹ and Fire Services Department (FSD) consulted the trade on the Digital Corporate Identity (CorpID) Platform and the proposed implementation details of the Registered Fire Engineer Scheme respectively, and FSD also briefed the trade on the e-services of its licensing and certification. More than 70 trade representatives had participated in the joint meeting. In addition, the Secretariat had also invited relevant BLGs to participate in a seminar organised by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department in July 2024 regarding regulatory review on food business licences.

3. Besides, the Secretariat continues to use various channels for the trade to share their views on licensing application and regulatory regime, and the uploading of summaries on the views collected and the Government responses onto the website of the newly established [Digital Policy Office](#) on a regular basis.

4. During the above period, a total of four issues raised by trades were satisfactorily resolved or clarified. Of which, the Secretariat has presented two

¹ The Office of the Government Chief Information Officer was merged with the Efficiency Office to form the Digital Policy Office on 25 July 2025

salient examples in the 37th meeting of the BLGTF.

5. In the 37th meeting of the BLGTF, the Secretariat has arranged representatives of Inland Revenue Department to conduct a briefing on electronic filing of profits tax returns, which is relevant to all the BLG trades. BLGTF Paper 152 set out details of the above initiative.

6. The Secretariat will provide advance notice to members once the schedule for future BLG meetings is available so that members can attend the BLG meetings as observers.

Way Forward

7. Members are invited to note the content of this paper and offer comments, if any.

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