

SJ to visit Europe

The Secretary for Justice, Mr Paul Lam, SC, will depart for Europe tomorrow (July 5) to begin his visit to the Netherlands, France and Italy. He will meet with local senior government officials and leaders of various international organisations to introduce Hong Kong's latest legal developments, strengthen exchanges and co-operation with all parties, promote Hong Kong's strengths in legal and dispute resolution services, and explore collaboration on international capacity building.

During his visit, Mr Lam will attend local seminars organised by the Department of Justice and other exchange sessions. He will deliver speeches to the local legal and business sectors to introduce Hong Kong's unique advantages in the practice of the common law system under the "one country, two systems" principle, its strategic positioning as an international legal and dispute resolution services centre in the Asia-Pacific region, and its important role as a "super connector" and "super value-adder" between the Mainland and the rest of the world.

Accompanying Mr Lam on the visit will be the Law Officer (International Law) of the Department of Justice (DoJ), Dr James Ding, the Director of the Hong Kong International Legal Talents Training Office of the DoJ, Dr Yang Ling, and government counsel.

Mr Lam will conclude his visit in Rome, Italy, and return to Hong Kong on the morning of July 13. During his absence, the Deputy Secretary for Justice, Dr Cheung Kwok-kwan, will be the Acting Secretary for Justice.

Ends/Friday, July 4, 2025