



## Press Release

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### **HKSTP Kicks-off “Robots Everywhere” Programme for Accelerating Automation and Robotics Technology Adoption**

*To broaden technology application by recruiting local and overseas enterprises and providing them adoption opportunities across the Science Park Campus*

- The “Robots Everywhere” Programme will recruit local and overseas enterprises’ automation solutions for campus cleaning and patrolling to enhance operational performance.
- HKSTP will share experience in technology adoption with the industry to accelerate validation and commercialisation of innovations across Hong Kong businesses.
- Four more themed cohorts seeking smart city and sustainable innovation technologies will be launched in the future.

**(Hong Kong, 26 June 2023)** – Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation (HKSTP) has launched the first cohort of its inaugural Smart Campus Challenge, “Robots Everywhere” Programme. The programme aims to recruit enterprises that are developing smart city and sustainable innovation technologies, providing them with adoption opportunities at Hong Kong Science Park to accelerate the implementation of innovation and technology in the market.

The “Robots Everywhere” Programme cohort will run from June to October, during which HKSTP will recruit both local and overseas enterprises to provide automation solutions for campus cleaning and patrolling. The initiative’s goal is to enhance the operational performance of the Park, offering participating companies a unique opportunity to test their automation and robotics technology across campus.

Dr Crystal Fok, Head of STP Platform at HKSTP, said: “As a campus-scale living lab in the city, HKSTP offers real-life scenarios for global enterprises to test, refine and validate innovations. Through the ‘Robots Everywhere’ Programme, tech ventures can unlock business collaboration opportunities and jointly transform Hong Kong Science Park into a smarter campus. We are excited to share our knowledge and experience with technology application with the industry, fostering confidence in the adoption of innovative solutions and further accelerating validation and commercialisation of innovations across Hong Kong businesses.”

Filla Mak, Head of Operations and Leasing, HKSTP, added: “With the ‘Robots Everywhere’ Programme, we will implement more market-ready solutions at the campus, which will help enhance the operational efficiency of facility management. This will also drive cooperation between the industry and tech ventures, with HKSTP taking a leading role in encouraging industry partners to adopt and expand the application of proven innovative technologies.”



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In addition to “Robots Everywhere” for Smart Facility Management, HKSTP will launch four more themed cohorts in the future, including Smart Navigation with LBS (location-based services), Edutainment@Experience Centre, Green Tech for Energy Harvesting and Know Your Customer 360. Each cohort will see tech ventures leveraging real-life scenarios at Science Park as the ideal test ground.

As part of the Smart Campus Challenge launch event, HKSTP hosted a fireside chat “If failure is not an option, why is success so rare?”, featuring ecosystem leaders discussing technology adoption’s key factors for success. This open dialogue created an environment that fosters innovation and collaboration by bringing together solution seekers and solution providers.

Interested tech ventures and solution providers can find out more information about the Smart Campus Challenge at <https://www.platform-event-hkstp.org/roboteverywhere> .



**Photo 1:** Dr Crystal Fok, Head of STP Platform, HKSTP (left) and Ms Filla Mak, Head of Operations and Leasing, HKSTP (right) kicked-off the “Robots Everywhere” Programme to recruit automation solutions for campus cleaning and patrolling.



**Photo 2:** Ms Filla Mak, Head of Operations and Leasing, HKSTP (second from right), Mr Albert Lam, Chief Marketing Officer, Novelte Robotics (first from right) and Mr Lewis Lam, Deputy General Manager (Property Management), Kai Shing Management Services Ltd (second from left) discussed the key factors for successful technology adoption.

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### **About Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation**

Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation (HKSTP) has for over 20 years committed to building up Hong Kong as an international innovation and technology hub to propel success for local and global pioneers today and tomorrow. HKSTP has established a thriving I&T ecosystem that supported 14 unicorns and Hong Kong's leading R&D hub with over 13,000 research professionals and over 1,400 technology companies focused on healthtech, AI and robotics, fintech and smart city technologies.

Established in 2001, we attract and nurture talent, accelerate and commercialise innovation and technology for entrepreneurs on their journey of growth in Hong Kong, to the Greater Bay Area, Asia and beyond. Our growing innovation ecosystem is built around our key locations of Hong Kong Science Park in Shatin, InnoCentre in Kowloon Tong and three modern InnoParks in Tai Po, Tseung Kwan O and Yuen Long. The three InnoParks are realising a vision of new industrialisation for Hong Kong. The goal is sectors like advanced manufacturing, electronics and biotechnology are being reimaged for a new generation of industry.

Through our infrastructure, services, expertise and network of partnerships, HKSTP will help establish innovation and technology as a pillar of growth for Hong Kong, while reinforcing Hong Kong's international I&T hub status as a launchpad for global growth at the heart of the GBA innovation powerhouse.

More information about HKSTP is available at [www.hkstp.org](http://www.hkstp.org).



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