

**Press Release***For Immediate Release***HKSTP and HYAB Launch 'HYAB Youth Startup Internship Programme'
Exploring I&T Opportunities with 100 Internship Positions**

(Hong Kong – 22 January 2025) – Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation (HKSTP), in its third year of collaboration with the Home and Youth Affairs Bureau (HYAB), has launched the “HYAB Youth Start-up Internship Programme” (YSIP). This initiative, in partnership with park companies, provides 100 internship opportunities and a wealth of engagement activities for full-time students aged 18 to 30 from diverse backgrounds and academic disciplines, ranging from science and engineering to other fields. YSIP is designed to encourage the active involvement of young talent in the innovation and technology (I&T) sector and to establish Hong Kong as a magnet for global I&T talent.

Talent is the key to I&T advancement. Under the programme, HYAB will provide salary subsidies to support park companies in hiring and nurturing the next generation of talent. The responses have been significantly positive so far, with over 130 start-ups offering more than 150 internship positions for three to six months. 100 opportunities will be selected for youth to apply across various fields, including data analysis, software engineering, research and development, business development, and marketing. Through diverse platforms and collaborations with tertiary institutions, HKSTP park companies received nearly 1,700 internship applications in the past two years of YSIP, demonstrating the strong interest of young people in the I&T sector and the programme’s success in attracting top talent.

Fanny Wong, Head of Talents and Human Resources of HKSTP, said, “We are delighted to continue our partnership with HYAB to launch the HYAB Youth Start-up Internship Programme, in response to the government's efforts to enlarge the I&T talent pool. Since 2023, the programme has benefited 114 start-ups and over 200 young individuals, who championed this initiative inspiring young elites to develop long-term careers in the I&T ecosystem upon the completion of YSIP. We hope to help youth from varying disciplines discover possibilities and support rapid growth for businesses, laying an important foundation for the future success of Hong Kong's I&T industry.”

HKSTP is committed to cultivating future leaders in innovation and technology through offering a diverse array of talent programmes, attracting over 350 interns from renowned local and international universities last year. From March 2025, successful intern applicants of the HYAB Youth Start-up Internship Programme will commence their internship. Beyond work duties at start-ups, participants will have ample opportunities to engage with peers and innovators within Hong Kong's largest I&T ecosystem, fostering collaboration and expanding their professional networks. HKSTP will also arrange a series of activities, including networking events, skill enhancement workshops, visits to leading tech companies, and tours of innovation facilities. Additionally, a 3-day, 2-night exploration trip to the Greater Bay Area (GBA) will be the highlight of the internship programme, allowing participants to experience the mainland entrepreneurial environment firsthand and seize opportunities in the GBA for their future I&T careers.



The HYAB Youth Startup Internship Programme is now accepting applications. Interested individuals can find out more and apply on the [programme's webpage](#). The interview arrangement will be directly handled by the participating park companies.

About Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation

Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation (HKSTP) was established in 2001 to create a thriving I&T ecosystem grooming 13 unicorns, more than 15,000 research professionals and over 2,200 technology companies from 26 countries and regions focused on developing healthtech, AI and robotics, fintech and smart city technologies, etc.

Our growing innovation ecosystem offers comprehensive support to attract and nurture talent, accelerate and commercialise innovation for technology ventures, with the I&T journey built around our key locations of Hong Kong Science Park in Pak Shek Kok, InnoCentre in Kowloon Tong and three modern InnoParks in Tai Po, Tseung Kwan O and Yuen Long realising a vision of new industrialisation for Hong Kong, where sectors including advanced manufacturing, micro-electronics and biotechnology are being reimagined.. Hong Kong Science Park Shenzhen Branch in Futian, Shenzhen plays positive roles in connecting the world and the mainland with our proximity, strengthening cross-border exchange to bring advantages in attracting global talent and allowing possibilities for the development of technology companies in seven key areas: Medtech, big data and AI, robotics, new materials, microelectronics, fintech and sustainability, with both dry and wet laboratories, co-working space, conference and exhibition facilities, and more.

Through our R&D infrastructure, startup support and enterprise services, commercialisation and investment expertise, partnership networks and talent traction, HKSTP continues to contribute in establishing I&T as a pillar of growth for Hong Kong.

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