

HKVCA Welcomes the 18 Measures Supporting the Linked Development of Shenzhen and Hong Kong Venture Capital Investments in Qianhai

Hong Kong, 8 September 2022 - The Hong Kong Venture Capital and Private Equity Association (HKVCA) welcomes the announcement by the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) introducing 18 measures aimed at supporting the linked development of Shenzhen and Hong Kong venture capital investments in Qianhai, with the Authority of Qianhai Shenzhen-Hong Kong Modern Service Industry Cooperation Zone of Shenzhen Municipality (Qianhai Authority).

The newly promulgated measures reflect some of the Association's recommendations¹ submitted on April 28, 2022. In particular, the HKVCA appreciates the measures i) refining application procedures; ii) allowing Hong Kong limited partnership funds to invest in mainland China enterprises; and iii) adjusting the scale of QFLP funds within fund managers' quotas.

Rebecca Xu, Chairwoman of the HKVCA, said: "The HKVCA is delighted that we were consulted by the HKSAR government, and our feedback has been taken. The implementation of the 18 measures enhances the attractiveness of Hong Kong as a private capital hub and as a way of encouraging private equity and venture capital investments in the Greater Bay Area".

Bonnie Lo, Chairwoman of the HKVCA's Technical Committee, added: "To optimize the measurements, we will continue advocating with the HKSAR government, as well as the Qianhai Authority, on behalf of setting up non-investments' affiliates; the coherence of licensing regimes between Hong Kong and mainland China; and a shortened IPO lock-up period."

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¹ https://www.hkvca.com.hk/upload/Research/2204_HKMA_----_final.pdf