

# Chronology of Events

*(Financial figures are expressed in Hong Kong Dollar)*

## 11 January

Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (“HKEx”) and PCCW announced plans for next generation network for securities and derivatives markets.

## 28 January

Chief Executive Paul Chow attended investment conference in Hong Kong to promote HKEx and Hong Kong’s financial markets to Japanese investors and potential issuers.



## 7 February

HKEx published feedback statement on its Consultation on Continuing Listing Criteria and Related Issues.

## 18 February

HKEx published Consultation Paper on New Structure for Listing Decision-making.

## 1 March

HKFE Clearing Corporation Limited (“HKCC”) and The SEHK Options Clearing House Limited (“SEOCH”) abolished their standard instruction input/processing fees.

## 24 March

HKEx submitted views on proposals for statutory backing to major listing requirements.

## 2 April

HKEx hosted conference with direct contact with individual investors at Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre.



## 19 May

Responses to Consultation Paper on New Structure for Listing Decision-making posted on the HKEx website.

## 23 May

FTSE/Xinhua China 25 Index Futures and Options began trading.



## 1 June

Interest retention at the rate of 1.2 per cent per annum for HKCC and that of 2 per cent per annum for SEOCH on margin deposits abolished and accommodation charges on utilised non-cash collateral levied by the two clearing houses reduced.

### 1-3 June

World Federation of Exchanges' Beijing Forum for Developing Markets co-hosted by Shanghai Stock Exchange, Shenzhen Stock Exchange and HKEx.



### 30 June

The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") set new record for funds raised through initial public offerings in one month, with the total for June exceeding \$53.3 billion.

### 4 July

Minimum trading spreads for shares trading above \$30 reduced.

### 23 June

Initial deposit requirement for Investor Participant ("IP") accounts in the Central Clearing and Settlement System, or CCASS, abolished and fee waiver for Short Message Service offered to IPs extended to 30 June 2006.

### 4-5 July

Chief Executive Paul Chow attended investment conferences in Tokyo and Osaka to promote HKEx and its markets to Japanese investors and potential issuers.



### 24 June

HKEx participated in Hebei conference on listing in Hong Kong.



### 13 July

Total market capitalisation of the Main Board and the Growth Enterprise Market exceeded \$7,000 billion for the first time.

### 18 July

Renovation of Stock Exchange Trading Hall commenced.



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