

Secretary for Justice speaks at Hong Kong Federation of Women's talk to promote mediation

The Secretary for Justice, Ms Teresa Cheng, SC, attended a talk organised by Hong Kong Federation of Women, on May 2 to promote the use of mediation in resolving disputes.

The event aims at further publicising mediation and the upcoming "Mediate First" Pledge Event 2019 on May 24. Ms Cheng outlined the characteristics and advantages of mediation, which include encouraging parties in dispute to explore their common interest, and seek "win-win" and think-out-of-the-box-solution in a harmonious manner, adding that mediation is an effective means in settling disputes. The Judiciary has also issued Practice Direction to encourage mediation.

Moreover, the Department of Justice (DoJ) will continue to actively promote Hong Kong's dispute resolution services to countries and territories along the Belt and Road Initiative as well as cities in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area.

On May 24, the DoJ will organise the "Mediate First" Pledge Event 2019 at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre. Aside from exploring new topics such as sports mediation and deal mediation, representatives from various sectors will sign the "Mediate First" Pledge at this biennial event to pledge first exploring the use of mediation as a means to resolve disputes.



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The Secretary for Justice, Ms Teresa Cheng, SC, in a group photo with guests after attending a talk organised by Hong Kong Federation of Women on May 2, 2019.