

Press Release
SFST to visit Russia, Latvia and Finland
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The Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury, Professor K C Chan, will depart Hong Kong on Sunday (April 10) for a visit to Moscow in Russia, Riga in Latvia and Helsinki in Finland to foster Hong Kong's ties with these countries and promote financial co-operation.

During the visit, Professor Chan will call on senior government officials, financial regulators and key personnel in the banking sector to exchange views on the global economic outlook and regulatory and financial issues of mutual interest. He will also meet with representatives of Fintech startups and accelerators to learn more about the latest developments in these places.

Professor Chan will first visit Moscow on April 11 and 12, where he will give a keynote speech at a business luncheon on the opportunities that Hong Kong can offer to Russian investors. He will also give a welcome address on Hong Kong's regulatory landscape at the annual Moscow Exchange Forum.

Professor Chan will be in Riga on April 13 to sign a comprehensive agreement for the avoidance of double taxation with Latvia on behalf of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government. He will also meet with Latvian business leaders over lunch and dinner to strengthen trade and investment ties.

In Helsinki on April 14 and 15, he will speak at a breakfast roundtable hosted by the Finland Chamber of Commerce and join a roundtable discussion on Fintech development attended by leading Fintech start-ups and accelerators in Finland.

Professor Chan will arrive back in Hong Kong from Helsinki on April 16.

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