



MESSAGE FROM THE COMMISSIONER FOR NARCOTICS

It is indeed my great pleasure to express my gratitude on behalf of the Narcotics Division, Security Bureau to all those who have been involved in the conference.

Contributions from both the speakers and audience have made this 2½ days' conference a highly rewarding experience for all of us. The purpose of this conference is to share ideas and experience in tackling drug abuse. Drug problems are complex issues and much could be learnt from speakers from different places. To compress such a complex issue into two and a half days is indeed a daunting task but with the effective moderation of chairs and co-chairs of the six workshops, as well as the cooperation of all participants, we have smoothly conducted a very intense and thought-provoking event. The proceedings of this conference are now presented in this publication for your future reference.

Special vote of thanks goes to the Lions Clubs International District 303 (Hong Kong & Macau, China) for sponsoring a welcoming lunch for all speakers and participants of the conference.

I would particularly like to thank Professor Daniel Shek and his organising committee. Their guidance and full support in the organisation of this conference has been invaluable and pivotal to the smooth conduct and success of the conference, which is the first of this scale in Hong Kong.

I am also thankful to our local partners in the anti-drug profession, including Correctional Services Department, Caritas Wong Yiu Nam Centre, Christian New Being Fellowship, Christian Zheng Sheng Association, the Society for the Aid and Rehabilitation of Drug Abusers, and Tung Wah Group of Hospitals for receiving participants during the site visits. Their professionalism in delivering anti-drug services has touched the hearts of the visitors and their warm hospitality would be remembered.

Last but not least, I would like to thank all who have helped to make this conference a success.

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