

## HONG KONG TOURISM BOARD 香港旅遊發展局

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Wikimania 2013 Jury  
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Dear Members of the Wikimania 2013 Jury

### **Support to Hong Kong's Bid for Wikimania 2013**

I am writing to convey our full support to the bid by Wikimedia Hong Kong for hosting Wikimania 2013.

We firmly believe that Hong Kong is the ideal place for staging Wikimania 2013, given our superb connectivity with the rest of the world, efficient communications and transportation network, state-of-the-art infrastructure, as well as professional and experienced personnel. Above all, Hong Kong enjoys a reputation as a free and open society, where there is fast, free and unregulated flow of information.

All these attributes have made our city a popular destination for major international conventions, including those on information and communications technology (ICT). In 2011 alone, Hong Kong hosted the Asia Pacific Regional Internet Conference on Operation Technologies and Asia Pacific Advanced Network, AsiaD, GSMA Mobile Asia Congress, and SIGGRAPH Asia.

Meanwhile, as one of the most popular tourist destinations in Asia and the world, Hong Kong offers a huge variety of attractions, ranging from a unique fusion of Eastern and Western cultures to diverse shopping and culinary options. We also have a year-round calendar of colourful events and festive celebrations, which give visitors some the world's most amazing experiences.

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Once again, please be assured that the Hong Kong Tourism Board (HKTB) and its Meetings and Exhibitions Hong Kong (MEHK) Office stand ready to render our full support to Wikimedia Hong Kong. Along with our trade partners, we are determined to make Wikimania 2013 the best and most memorable ever for delegates. We earnestly hope you would give Hong Kong your most favourable consideration.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Anthony Lau". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial 'A' and 'L'.

Anthony Lau  
Executive Director

