Education Bureau Circular Memorandum No. 161/2022

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IT Innovation Lab in Secondary Schools Programme of the Office of the Government Chief Information Officer Invitation to Schools to Submit Funding Application in the 2022/23 School Year and Participate in Solution Day

Purpose

The purpose of this circular memorandum is to invite publicly-funded secondary schools to submit applications for funding under the IT Innovation Lab in Secondary Schools (IT-Lab) Programme in the 2022/23 school year, and enrol for the IT-Lab solution day to be held on 24 September 2022.

Details

2. The IT-Lab Programme was launched since 1 December 2020. As of <u>August</u> 2022, more than 370 schools submitted funding applications for the programme. Schools can submit funding applications in the <u>2022/23 school year</u> through the following link (<u>https://eform.one.gov.hk/form/ogc007/en/</u>). For details of the Programme and application procedures, please refer to the programme website (<u>https://www.it-lab.gov.hk/en/index.php</u>).

3. In order to introduce a wider variety of IT related ECAs solutions to the principals and teachers, the Office of the Government Chief Information Officer (OGCIO) will organise a solution day on 24 September 2022. For details of the solution day, please refer to the Appendix.

Enquiry

4. For enquiries on the IT-Lab Programme or the solution day, please contact IT

Innovation Lab One-stop Support Centre of OGCIO at 2116 9083 or by email to <u>it-lab@ogcio.gov.hk</u>.

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Appendix

IT Innovation Lab in Secondary Schools Programme Invitation to Submit Funding Application in the 2022/23 School Year and Participate in the Solution Day

Purpose & Details

The Office of the Government Chief Information Officer (OGCIO) launched a three-year IT Innovation Lab in Secondary Schools Programme since December 2020. The programme aims to foster an IT learning atmosphere at school and enhance student's innovative abilities, thereby promoting local popular science education and expanding the supply of innovation and technology talent and meet the needs of a technology-driven society. Each publicly-funded secondary school can apply for a funding of up to \$1 million from OGCIO to organise IT-related ECAs, and procure IT equipment or professional services required for the ECAs. OGCIO cordially invites all publicly-funded secondary schools to join and submit funding applications for the IT Innovation Lab in Secondary Schools Programme in the 2022/23 school year. Schools may visit our programme website (<u>https://www.it-lab.gov.hk/en/index.php</u>) for more information about the programme and submit online application.

2. In view of the overwhelming responses of the previous solution day in June 2022, OGCIO will organise the solution day again in September 2022 to introduce IT-related ECAs solutions and other reference information to schools. Schools interested in submitting the application are welcome to enrol. Details of the solution day are as follows:

Date and Time:	24 September 2022 (Saturday) 10:00 am – 1:00 pm
Co-organiser:	The Hong Kong Association for Computer Education (HKACE) / other institutions
Venue:	Function Room AC2, Hong Kong Cultural Centre, 10 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon, Hong Kong
Registration Deadline:	16 September 2022 (Friday)

Principals and teachers who are interested in joining the solution day can find

the rundown at (<u>https://www.it-lab.gov.hk/en/seminars/2022/2409-itlab-solution-day.php</u>) and complete the registration form at (<u>https://www.it-lab.gov.hk/enrol-0924.php</u>). Successful registration will be notified by email.

Enquiry

3. For enquiries on IT Innovation Lab in Secondary Schools Programme, please contact IT Innovation Lab One-stop Support Centre of OGCIO at 2116 9083 or by email to <u>it-lab@ogcio.gov.hk</u>.

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