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Dear Members and Friends,

Innovation and technology are transforming the Guangdong–Hong Kong–Macao Greater Bay Area (GBA) into one of the world's most dynamic economic regions, with a combined GDP of more than US\$1.6 trillion and rapidly growing strengths in AI, robotics and advanced manufacturing. With only a few spots remaining on our GBA Spotlight Day Trip to Nansha this Friday, registrations will close at 6:00pm on Wednesday, participants have a unique chance to see up close GAC Group's latest flying-car concepts and other breakthrough technologies shaping the future of mobility and smart cities.



More details and registration [via this link](#).

Hong Kong's tourism story is equally encouraging. The Hong Kong Tourism Board has announced that provisional full-year visitor arrivals for 2025 reached 49.9 million, a 12% year-on-year increase, with 4.65 million visitors recorded in December alone, up 9% on the same month in 2024. As Asia's World City, Hong Kong is reinforcing its position as a global hub where business, culture and major events converge.

To explore what this means for our community, AustCham Hong Kong will host a business luncheon with Hon. Rosanna Law, Secretary for Culture, Sports and Tourism, who will share the government's

latest thinking on tourism, events and the visitor economy. This interactive session will offer members a forum to discuss future opportunities, including how the Australian business community can support ambitious regional initiatives such as a potential Greater Bay Area Olympic bid for 2036. RSVP [here](#) as seats are limited.

AustCham's strength lies in the expertise and engagement of its members, with our sector-focused committees driving much of the Chamber's advocacy, programmes and connections across the region. If you would like to play a more active role or explore joining a committee, please contact us at committees@austcham.com.hk.

Thank you for your continued support, which enables AustCham Hong Kong to deepen its impact, expand our programmes across the region, and create new opportunities for our members and the wider Australian business community.

Warm regards,

Patricia Slawinska
Chief Executive
AustCham Hong Kong

CURRENT AFFAIRS & TRADE INSIGHTS

- BHP lifts Jansen potash cost estimate again as Rio Tinto's potential Glencore acquisition has likely won backing from major shareholder Chinalco, and iron ore prices have fallen for a fifth straight day amid weaker Chinese steel output. ([Source](#))
- HKMA has unveiled a 20-point "Project CargoX" road map to digitalise Hong Kong's trade finance, leveraging the Credit Data Interchange to speed up SME loan approvals and strengthen connectivity with mainland China and Asean. ([Source](#))
- China's pharmaceutical and medical device sector is emerging as a new growth engine, with revenue projected to climb from about US\$1.4 trillion in 2024 to US\$2.1 trillion by 2030, driven by ageing demographics, rising healthcare spending and global expansion of innovative drugmakers. ([Source](#))

EVENTS CALENDAR

Events *Calendar*

2026

Friday
January

23.01

GBA Spotlight:
One day Tour to NANSHA
[Last Few Tickets Remaining]

Monday
January

26.01

Global Finance Networking Drinks
Members-Only [Sold Out]

Tuesday
January

02.02

Government Briefing with Hon.
Rosanna Law, Secretary of Culture,
Sports and Tourism

Friday
February

06.02

G'DAY HK - Outback Sizzle
[Last Few Tickets Remaining]

Tuesday
February

10.02

[WEBINAR] Valuing and Amplifying
IP Assets

Tuesday
March

03.03

International Women's Day
Multi-generational Workplaces

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FINAL TICKETS AVAILABLE - EVENT THIS FRIDAY!



Join us for an exclusive one-day tour to Nansha, co-organised by AustCham South China, AustCham Hong Kong and CPA Australia (Hong Kong and South China offices).

What's Included:

- Company visits in biomedical sciences and innovative vehicle technologies
- Briefing on Nansha's city planning and development vision
- Networking with Nansha government and commerce chamber representatives
- Lunch buffet at Guangzhou Marriott Hotel Nansha
- CPD/CPT: 4 hours

Learning outcomes:

- Understand Nansha's strategic role in regional development and its key planning initiatives
- Recognise key technological advancements in biomedical and innovative vehicle industries
- Assess opportunities for cross-border collaboration through engagement with officials and chambers

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95% SOLD OUT - LAST FEW TICKETS REMAINING!

OUTBACK SIZZLE

FEBRUARY

FRIDAY **6** 6.30 PM
 2026

Grand Hyatt Hong Kong
 The Grill - 11/F, 1 Harbour Rd, Wan Chai

MEMBERS - HK\$1200

NON-MEMBERS - HK\$1500

BUNDLE OF 10 TICKETS - HK\$10,800



Join us on **Friday, 6 February** from **6:30pm onwards** at the **Grand Hyatt Hong Kong** for an unforgettable evening that brings the spirit of the Australian outback to the heart of Hong Kong.

Enjoy an extensive **Australian-inspired buffet** featuring over 12 stations with premium selections including Aussie Tomahawk, lamb chops, sausages, and fresh seafood, accompanied by live grill stations, vibrant salads, and signature desserts such as pavlova and lamingtons.

Guests will be greeted with a glass of champagne on arrival and can enjoy four hours of complimentary free-flow beverages, alongside exceptional networking opportunities with members of the Australia–Hong Kong business community.

What's Included:

- An extensive Aussie-themed buffet
- Free-flow wines, beers, juices, and soft drinks
- Champagne on arrival
- A scratch card to either win tickets to the AIA Carnival **or** discounts off your next AustCham Event

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GOVERNMENT BRIEFING

Asia's World City Reimagined: Driving a New Era for Culture, Sports & Tourism



Guest Speaker:
Hon. Rosanna Law, JP
Secretary for Culture, Sports and Tourism



2 Feb 2026 | 12:30PM - 2:00PM | Macquarie Office, 22F One IFC
Member: \$ 350 Non-Member: \$ 450

Venue Sponsor:  MACQUARIE

Hong Kong continues to thrive as *Asia's World City* — a dynamic hub where business, creativity, and culture intersect. As one of the region's most vibrant gateways, Hong Kong connects East and West, setting the stage for growth, innovation, and global exchange.

Join AustCham Hong Kong for an exclusive business luncheon featuring Ms. Rosanna Law, Secretary for Culture, Sports and Tourism, who will share insights into Hong Kong's evolving tourism landscape and the government's strategies to build a world-class events economy.

This interactive session will offer members of the Australian business community the opportunity to engage directly with the Secretary, gain first-hand updates on tourism initiatives, and explore collaboration opportunities in Hong Kong's cultural and events sectors.

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