

**Hong Kong Manifesto –  
promoting legal cooperation between lawyers from  
the “Belt and Road” regions**

The next 12 months will see the dawning of a new era for the legal profession along the Belt and Road route. It will herald the arrival of tremendous transactions and projects from a great multitude of jurisdictions all requiring legal services.

We, the representatives of associations of lawyers, believe that commitment to the core values of the legal profession of integrity and justice is what all lawyers share and treasure.

This manifesto endeavours to foster cooperation between lawyers' associations from 24 jurisdictions and create a platform for exchange of information and knowledge in order to optimise the benefits of the Belt and Road Initiative.

Initiated on the occasion of The Law Society of Hong Kong's Belt and Road Conference 2017, action plans to advance the goal of this Hong Kong Manifesto should draw on the following 4 guiding principles:

- Engaging lawyers' associations to promote cooperation and interaction amongst their respective members.
- Paying particular attention to laws touching on matters related to the Belt and Road initiative and creating and updating a platform thereof.
- Establishing a community for networking and business referrals.
- Holding an annual/biannual conference to share tasks, present new ideas, respond to challenges and opportunities.



## The Law Society of Hong Kong

### List of law associations (invited to sign):

Advocatura of the Kyrgyz Republic	All China Lawyers Association
Chamber of Advocates of the Republic of Armenia	Beijing Lawyers Association
Czech Bar Association	Chongqing Lawyers Association
French National Bar Council	Foshan Lawyers Association
German Federal Bar	Guangdong Municipal Lawyers Association
India National Bar Association	Guangxi Lawyers Association
L.E.P.L Georgian Bar Association	Hangzhou Lawyers Association
Law Council of Australia	Hebei Municipal Lawyers Association
Law Institute of Victoria	Jiangsu Lawyers Association
Law Society of England and Wales	Lawyer Association of Zhejiang
Law Society of South Africa	Nanjing Lawyers Association
Lithuanian Bar Association	Qingdao Lawyers Association
Luxemburg Bar	Shenzhen Lawyers Association
Malaysian Bar	Tianjin Lawyers Association
Mongolian Bar Association	Macau Lawyers Association
Myanmar Bar Association	
Nepal Bar Association	
Osaka Bar Association	Taiwan Bar Association
Pakistan Bar Council	Taichung Bar Association
Perhimpunan Advokat Indonesia ("PERADI")	Taipei Bar Association
Russian Asian Legal Association	Kaohsiung Bar Association
Russian Federal Chamber of Lawyers	Nantou Bar Association
The Bar Association of India	Changhua Bar Association
The Law Society Brunei Darussalam	
The Law Society of Singapore	