



Science Input by the Observatory to Climate Change Documents

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Prior to the Paris Climate Summit, the Observatory provided much needed scientific data and support for two local documents on climate change, namely the “Hong Kong Climate Report 2015” and the “Hong Kong Climate Resilience Roadmap for Business” released by the Environment Bureau and the Business Environment Council, respectively.

Launched in early November 2015, the “Hong Kong Climate Report 2015” consolidated the work and future plans of various government departments on climate change. Even though the launch took place just two days before Winter Commences, Mr SHUN Chi-ming, Director of the Hong Kong Observatory, attended the launch event in a short-sleeved shirt, aptly reflecting the impact of climate change on Hong Kong. According to Mr SHUN, more incidents of high temperatures, extreme weather and sea level rise would be expected as the emission of greenhouse gases continued unabated. There would be higher risks of flooding in coastal areas caused by storm surges. The “Hong Kong Climate Report 2015” was presented at the Paris Climate Summit.

Meanwhile, the “Hong Kong Climate Resilience Roadmap for Business” was launched to give the city’s commercial sector guidelines on sustainable development. The document encouraged the businesses sector to work closely with the government in response to climate change. As an officiating guest, Mr SHUN delivered a short speech at the launch event, reiterating the Observatory’s willingness to cooperate with the stakeholders of various industries to enhance Hong Kong’s resilience to climate change.



Mr SHUN Chi-ming (first from right), Director of the Hong Kong Observatory, attends the launch event of “Hong Kong Climate Report 2015”.

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Wave clouds near Tai Mo Shan Radar Station (Photographer: Mr CHAN Fu-cheong)



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