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Hong Kong ICT Awards 2026: FinTech Award Now Open for Enrolment

Three Redesigned Award Streams Showcase Emerging Trends in the Fintech Market



29 May 2026, Hong Kong – Steered by the Digital Policy Office and organised by The Hong Kong Institute of Bankers (HKIB), the **Hong Kong ICT Awards 2026: FinTech Award** (“FinTech Award”) is now open for enrolment, with the submission deadline set for 20 July 2026. Marking its 20th anniversary, the Hong Kong ICT Awards, celebrates two decades of excellence in Hong Kong’s information and communications technology (ICT) sector, continues to drive innovation, inspires the industry and shapes the future.

The FinTech Award aims to identify and recognise innovative solutions that drive industry transformation, encouraging the industry of impactful, scalable and forward-looking Fintech solutions. It also promotes development of new business model and further reinforces Hong Kong’s position as a leading Fintech hub in Asia. The financial sector spans banking, insurance, securities and trading, as well as fund and asset management, including payment solutions, clearing and settlement systems, among others.

This year’s FinTech Award focuses on three key streams, including “Financial Services and RegTech Innovation”, “Emerging FinTech (Non-Web3)” and “Web3, Tokenisation and Digital Assets”. The redesigned award framework reflects the latest trends in the digital transformation of the financial industry more precisely.

Carrie LEUNG, Chief Executive Officer of HKIB, said: “HKIB is honoured to organise the Hong Kong ICT Awards 2026: FinTech Award, and to work alongside the industry to promote local Fintech development. As financial services continue to evolve, we hope this platform will connect innovators, industry leaders and the next generation of solution developers, further foster collaboration, and encourage the industry to translate innovative ideas into practical and scalable solutions. We sincerely invite financial institutions, technology companies and industry partners to seize this opportunity and participate and contribute to the continued growth of Hong Kong’s FinTech ecosystem.”

All submissions will be consolidated by the project implementation team and, together with shortlisted entries, submitted to the Judging Panel for assessment. The panel comprises industry professionals and is chaired by a reputable industry leader. Awards to be presented include Gold, Silver and Bronze Awards and the Certificates of Merit across each category, as well as the “FinTech Grand Award”, with the winner nominated to compete for the “Award of the Year”. In addition, among the shortlisted submissions across all streams, the panel will select one submission for the “Best Use of AI” Award, recognising the practical value of AI applications in Fintech.

Award winners will receive trophies and the right to use the official award logo. They will also benefit from promotional opportunities, investment matching activities and participate in major local exhibitions to enhance exposure and business prospects. Eligible SMEs may also receive support such as access to co-working space. Selected winners may be nominated to participate in regional and international competitions and may have the opportunity to attend an interview for the “HK Tech 300 Seed Fund” by City University of Hong Kong, with the seed funding of up to HKD100,000. Past awardees span a wide range of sectors, including banking, insurance and local enterprises, including The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited, The Bank of East Asia, Limited, krip HK, AIA International Limited (AIA Hong Kong and Macau), and Wizpresso.

HKIB will organise a series of information sessions in due course, interested organisations are welcome to attend. Additional sessions may be arranged subject to response and demand. For application details, submission guidelines and registration for briefing sessions, please visit: <https://www.hkib.org/page/112>.

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