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### **CESC Announces Launch of CES Stock Connect Hong Kong Premier 50 Index**

China Exchanges Services Company Limited (CESC) today (Tuesday) announced its CES Stock Connect Hong Kong Premier 50 Index (CES SCHK50), an index designed to capture the performance of the 50 largest stocks by market capitalisation listed in Hong Kong and eligible for Stock Connect will be launched on Thursday, 4 January 2018.

The constituents cover both traditional core industries and enterprises from the new economy. The index weighting of a single stock is capped at 10 per cent.

The CES SCHK50 will be calculated in Hong Kong dollars (HKD) and disseminated in real-time at five-second intervals. The end of day index and total return index of the CES SCHK50 will be available in both Renminbi (CNY) and HKD.

“Given the comprehensive industry distribution of its constituents, the CES SCHK50 will represent a relatively stable portfolio of stocks with steady growth potential. As the constituents of the CES SCHK50 are eligible for Southbound Trading under Stock Connect, it can serve as the benchmark for Mainland China’s investors who need or want to allocate assets to Hong Kong’s stock market,” said CESC Chief Executive Mao Zhirong.

“CESC has licensed the CES SCHK50 to a product issuer to serve as the underlying index for the creation of an index-linked product. CESC always pays attention to the latest market developments and strives to meet clients’ needs. We hope to see more products on our indices in the future,” Mr Mao added.

An index overview and the constituent list are available in Appendix 1 and 2. For more information, please refer to the [index methodology](#).

## **About CESC**

CESC is a joint venture formed and equally owned by Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited, the Shanghai Stock Exchange and the Shenzhen Stock Exchange. Its aim is to contribute to the development of China's capital markets. Registered and incorporated in Hong Kong, CESC was officially launched in September 2012 and commenced operations on 30 October. CESC's principal businesses include compiling cross-border indices based on products traded on the Hong Kong and Mainland securities markets, developing industry classifications for listed companies, and developing information standards and information products. CESC also develops financial products to link the Mainland and Hong Kong markets with global investors. China Securities Index Company Limited is commissioned to calculate, provide index maintenance and dissemination service for the CES indices.

For further information on CESC, please visit the website at [www.cesc.com](http://www.cesc.com).

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## Appendix 1

### Overview of the CES SCHK50

Index Abbreviation	CES SCHK50
Index Code	CESP50
Constituents	50 largest Hong Kong Stocks for Southbound Trading under Stock Connect
Launch Date	4 January 2018
Base Date	30 December 2011
Base Value	2,000
Number of Constituents	50
Calculation and Dissemination	Real time at 5-second intervals
Calculation Methodology	Free float-adjusted market capitalisation weighted, with a 10% cap
Review Frequency	Half-yearly
Real-time Price Index (Currency)	HKD
End of Day Index (Currency)	CNY & HKD
Total Return Index (Currency)	CNY & HKD

#### Notes

CNY – Renminbi

HKD – Hong Kong dollar

## Appendix 2

### CES SCHK50 Constituents and Weightings (Pro forma and subject to final announcement)

(as at 11 December 2017)

Stock Code	Stock Name	Weighting (%)
0700.HK	TENCENT	10.49
0005.HK	HSBC HOLDINGS	10.13
0939.HK	CCB	8.26
1299.HK	AIA	7.77
1398.HK	ICBC	5.31
0941.HK	CHINA MOBILE	4.79
2318.HK	PING AN	4.35
3988.HK	BANK OF CHINA	3.23
0388.HK	HKEX	2.95
0001.HK	CKH HOLDINGS	2.67
0883.HK	CNOOC	1.94
2628.HK	CHINA LIFE	1.90
0016.HK	SHK PPT	1.83
1113.HK	CK ASSET	1.74
2388.HK	BOC HONG KONG	1.68
0027.HK	GALAXY ENT	1.55
0011.HK	HANG SENG BANK	1.47
3968.HK	CM BANK	1.47
0386.HK	SINOPEC CORP	1.44
0175.HK	GEELY AUTO	1.44
0002.HK	CLP HOLDINGS	1.41
2007.HK	COUNTRY GARDEN	1.40
0003.HK	HK & CHINA GAS	1.32
2018.HK	AAC TECH	1.15
1288.HK	ABC	1.14
2601.HK	CPIC	1.12
0857.HK	PETROCHINA	1.12
0688.HK	CHINA OVERSEAS	1.08
0006.HK	POWER ASSETS	1.01
0762.HK	CHINA UNICOM	1.00
1928.HK	SANDS CHINA LTD	0.99
2382.HK	SUNNY OPTICAL	0.94

Stock Code	Stock Name	Weighting (%)
0066.HK	MTR CORPORATION	0.84
0669.HK	TECHTRONIC IND	0.72
0017.HK	NEW WORLD DEV	0.68
1088.HK	CHINA SHENHUA	0.67
0267.HK	CITIC	0.66
1997.HK	WHARF REIC	0.62
1109.HK	CHINA RES LAND	0.62
1044.HK	HENGAN INT'L	0.60
0012.HK	HENDERSON LAND	0.60
1038.HK	CKI HOLDINGS	0.55
0728.HK	CHINA TELECOM	0.54
0083.HK	SINO LAND	0.44
0101.HK	HANG LUNG PPT	0.42
0019.HK	SWIRE PACIFIC A	0.41
6837.HK	HAITONG SEC	0.39
1800.HK	CHINA COMM CONS	0.39
0151.HK	WANT WANT CHINA	0.38
1099.HK	SINOPHARM	0.37
Total		100.00%