

## CHINLINK INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS LIMITED (HKSE Stock Code: 0997)

## The 3rd Shaanxi-Hong Kong Finance and Innovation Conference Concluded Innovation Meets Opportunities Creates Blue Ocean in Shaanxi

[25 September 2019 - Xi'an] Jointly organised by Shaanxi Provincial Department of Commerce, Shaanxi Provincial Department of Science and Technology and Shaanxi Liaison Unit of the Government of Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) and co-organised by Chinlink International Holdings Limited ("Chinlink", HKSE Stock Code: 0997) and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Group"), MCM Partners and GSVlabs, the 3rd Shaanxi-Hong Kong Finance and Innovation Conference (the "Conference") held at Sofitel Xi'an Convention Centre, Shaanxi for two days (24-25 September) came to a close today.

Themed "Innovation Meets Opportunities", the Conference brought together Shaanxi and Hong Kong government officials, local and overseas industry leaders from finance and technology sectors and university professors etc. to give speeches and share their insights, and attracted over 100 Shaanxi startups and more than 350 attendees. Speakers gave their expert views on the trends of innovation and startups in different industries and investment risks, current industry environment and ways to resolve the bottleneck of fundraising.

Mr. Jia Feng, Deputy Secretary General of the People's Government of Shaanxi Province, addressed in the welcome remarks, "Shaanxi is welcoming unprecedented opportunities presented by the Belt and Road Initiative, Western Development Strategy, and the establishment of China (Shaanxi) Pilot Free Trade Zone. It currently houses a large number of Global Fortune 500, Shaanxi Government endeavors to transform Shaanxi Province into an up-and-coming region of inner mainland area, focusing technology finance, cultural finance, energy finance, green finance and supply chain finance to build a 'Silk Road Financial Centre'. Hong Kong is the largest source of foreign capital, the third largest trading partner and the major capital market for listings overseas of Shaanxi Province. Shaanxi government hopes to build a close and all-round cooperation with Hong Kong in the financial sector and create favourable market environment, constitutional environment, legal environment and business environment for the two places."

Ms. Vanessa Tang, Director of Shaanxi Liaison Unit of the Government of the HKSAR, addressed in the opening remarks, "Hong Kong Government has invested over HK\$100 billion in the development of innovation and technology, benefiting startups including companies and talents from mainland China. Shaanxi's strong scientific research ability and talents together with Hong Kong's experienced marketing talents and global business networks provide rooms for cooperation between Shaanxi and Hong Kong in science and technology aspect, especially in technology transfer & commercialisation and global distribution. Hong Kong Government welcomes Shaanxi enterprises to set up companies or go listed in Hong Kong.

Mr. Li Weibin, Chairman and Managing Director of Chinlink, said, "This is the third Shaanxi-Hong Kong finance conference, and this year's theme 'Innovation Meets Opportunities' examines the opportunities and challenges startups encountered. Chinlink has always been committed to providing investment bank and alternative financial services to Shaanxi, Shenzhen and Hong Kong enterprises and organising various events for deeper cooperation and endeavours to build the bridge connecting Shaanxi enterprises to Hong Kong, Macau and international's. Thanks to our coherent relations with various organisations such as Hong Kong government departments and commerce chamber in past years, Chinlink has officially become the Commerce Representative Office of Shaanxi Provincial Department of Commerce in Hong Kong at the end of last year. Chinlink will leverage its comprehensive financial services and the deep-rooted networks and experience in Shaanxi and Hong Kong to further facilitate the Shaanxi government to establish an economic and trade cooperation platform in Hong Kong, the opening up of Shaanxi to create co-development opportunities between Hong Kong and Shaanxi."

Chinlink is dedicated to integrate the Group's global resources and develop an ecosystem that provides comprehensive financial services and innovative solutions for fast-growing companies in China. This ecosystem aims to connect international investors and global capital markets and provide capital to enterprises at different stages of their development. The Group has established a strategic partnership with GSVlabs, a global innovation platform based in Silicon Valley, United States, to bring global innovation resources from Silicon Valley to China.

At the Conference, Chinlink, MCM Partners and GSVlabs signed the MOU for GSVlabs Offshore Innovation Centre Project. Chinlink also signed a MOU with NEC Solutions Innovators, Ltd. Information Platform Project for Modern Agriculture and Innovation Centre. All these showed Chinlink's determination to build an innovation platform.

Mr. Michael Moe, Founder of GSV, and Mr. Ken Sugata, Senior Vice President of NEC Solution Innovators, Ltd., were invited to give keynote speeches around "Power of Growth" and "NEC's effort in co-creation and solving social issues" respectively.

Startup Pitch Competition (the "Competition") was held on 25 September which provided startups international exchange and cooperation opportunities with a view to embodying an internationalised ecosystem of innovation and entrepreneurship in Shaanxi. In addition to leading the judging panel, GSVlabs also gave guidance to the respective ten finalists, allowing the participants to taste the startup competition atmosphere from Silicon Valley. The panel of judges also included Chinlink, MCM Partners, Xi'an Jiaotong University Science Park and Hong Kong Applied Science and Technology Research Institute. The prizes were deliberately designed for the champion, first runner-up and second runner-up, these included GSV Virtual Accelerator course, a comprehensive entrepreneurship training programme and a one-year membership of GSV Passport, which provides comprehensive services for startups. The champion, in addition, received a one-year financial advisory service provided by MCM Partners and an exclusive interview opportunity from 36Kr, a media focusing on innovation and technology industries. The champion, the first runner-up and the second runner-up of the Competition were Shaanxi JUGAO-AM Technology Ltd., Xi'an Vidoar AR Tech and Shaanxi HuaZhu Engineering Tech Ltd. respectively.



Mr. Li Weibin, Chairman and Managing Director of Chinlink International Holdings Limited, delivered an opening remarks.



A group of international industry experts participated panel discussions and shared their insights.



Panel of judges and guests took a group photo with the finalists of the Startup Pitch Competition.

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