



# Happy 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!



MTR started its first passenger service on 1 October 1979 with an eight-kilometre long line covering nine stations. Since then, the network has grown hand-in-hand with Hong Kong to encompass 84 stations that link old-established communities, while also serving as the public transport backbone for the development of new, seamlessly integrated communities atop and around rail stations, as well as the international airport.

Our shared journey with Hong Kong has been underpinned by our commitment to provide passengers with a safe and reliable public transport service and we are proud that with our consistent 99.9% on-time performance, MTR has been voted as Hong Kong's best public transport operator for many years in a row and recognised internationally as one of the world's best metro systems.

Marking this important milestone is a specially-designed MTR 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary icon using the signature colours of the various MTR lines symbolising how MTR and Hong Kong have grown together, based on iconic landmarks linked by our network, including the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre that will soon benefit from the Shatin to Central Link. Celebrations for our 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary kicked off in January when a replica of the first generation MTR train compartment pulled into Choi Hung Station, one of the first MTR stations to open. Across the network, giant poster displays are telling the stories of people whose lives have been particularly touched by their experience of MTR over the decades. Passengers will be invited to join in the celebration through the purchase of commemorative smart tickets to be launched later, and a series of exciting activities will extend through the year.