REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF AUDIT



Independent Audit Report To the President of the Legislative Council

I certify that I have examined and audited the financial statements of the Innovation and Technology Fund set out on pages 66 to 70, which comprise the statement of assets and liabilities as at 31 March 2012, and the statement of receipts and payments for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Director of Accounting Services' responsibility for the financial statements

In accordance with section 16(1) of the Public Finance Ordinance (Cap. 2), the Director of Accounting Services is responsible for the compilation and supervision of the accounts of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, for the management of accounting operations and procedures, and for ensuring that all regulations, directions or instructions made or given under the Public Finance Ordinance relating thereto and in respect of the safe custody of public moneys and its accounting are complied with.

Auditor's responsibility

My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit. I conducted my audit in accordance with section 12(1) of the Audit Ordinance (Cap. 122) and the Audit Commission auditing standards. Those standards require that I comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used by the Director of Accounting Services, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

Opinion

In my opinion, the financial statements of the Innovation and Technology Fund for the year ended 31 March 2012 are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Public Finance Ordinance and section 11(1) of the Audit Ordinance.

David Sun Director of Audit

26 October 2012

Audit Commission 26th Floor Immigration Tower 7 Gloucester Road Wanchai, Hong Kong

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 MARCH 2012

	Note	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Assets			
Investments with the Exchange Fund	3	2,847,444	3,271,800
Cash and bank balances	_	9,111	11
		2,856,555	3,271,811
Representing:	-		
Fund Balance			
Balance at beginning of year		3,271,811	3,749,017
Deficit for the year	_	(415,256)	(477,206)
Balance at end of year	4	2,856,555	3,271,811

Notes 1 to 7 form part of these financial statements.

Mrs Lesley Y C WONG
Director of Accounting Services
15 August 2012



STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2012

	Note	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Cash and bank balances at beginning of year		11	-
Revenue	5	240,018	271,625
Expenditure	6	(655,274)	(748,831)
Deficit for the year		(415,256)	(477,206)
Other cash movements	7	424,356	477,217
Cash and bank balances at end of year		9,111	11

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Mrs Lesley Y C WONG Director of Accounting Services 15 August 2012



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Purpose and Legislation

The Innovation and Technology Fund finances projects that contribute to innovation and technology upgrading in the manufacturing and service industries, as well as those that contribute to the upgrading and development of the manufacturing and service industries. It was established with effect from 30 June 1999 by a Resolution (hereinafter referred to as the Resolution) passed by the Legislative Council under section 29(1) of the Public Finance Ordinance (Cap. 2) on the same date.

2. Accounting Policy

The accounts of the Innovation and Technology Fund are kept on a cash basis. Transactions are recorded when moneys are received or paid.

3. Investments with the Exchange Fund

- (i) These are investments made under paragraph 6 of the Resolution. They represent the cost of investments together with interest of HK\$188 million received in the year ended 31 March 2012.
- (ii) Effective from 1 April 2007, the return on the investments is calculated on the basis of the average annual investment return of the Exchange Fund's Investment Portfolio for the past six years or the average annual yield of three-year Exchange Fund Notes for the previous year subject to a minimum of zero percent, whichever is the higher.

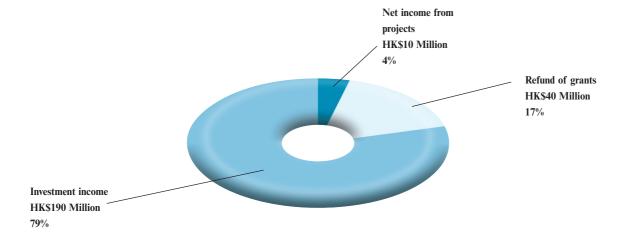
4. Commitments

The approved grants that were unpaid as at 31 March 2012 amounted to HK\$877 million.

5. Revenue

	2012		2011
	Original Estimate HK\$'000	Actual HK\$'000	Actual HK\$'000
Investment income	177,000	190,436	229,595
Net income from projects	7,808	10,139	3,801
Refund of grants	-	39,443	38,229
	184,808	240,018	271,625

Analysis of Revenue for the year ended 31 March 2012



Total Revenue HK\$240 Million

6. Expenditure

	2012		2011
	Original	_	_
	Estimate	Actual	Actual
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Grants	863,943	655,274	748,831

Further analysis of grants appears on page 210 of the Supporting Statements.

7. Other Cash Movements

These are cash movements arising from changes in other assets and liabilities.

	2012 HK\$'000	2011 HK\$'000
Reduction in Assets		
Investments with the Exchange Fund	424,356	477,217

Revenue, Expenditure and Fund Balance for the years ended 31 March 2003 to 2012

