## **Notice to Associations**

## The Implementation of Electronic Booking Confirmation Note (eBCN)

With the successful implementation of the Electronic Release Order (eRO) in February 2020, we have replaced the traditional paper-based workflow and eRO has proven to be a fast, convenient, and secure digitalised solution for release of import containers at container terminals.

As part of the digitalisation roadmap of the Port of Hong Kong and to complete the entire paperless process, terminal operators and OnePort are prepared to launch the Electronic Booking Confirmation Note (eBCN) service to transform the export cargo workflow to paperless.

The digitalisation through eBCN enables industry users to receive and forward the export booking confirmation note electronically. It is designed to bring efficiency gain, reduce operating costs, and enhance timeliness and visibility of cargo information as the industry migrates to digital.

The targeted launch date is now set for September 2022. The exact date will be communicated at a later time.

With the joint collaboration and efforts contributed among the industry to digitise the processes in and around the port of Hong Kong, the implementation of eBCN will allow export shipments to be processed in a safe and secure manner, enhancing operational and cost efficiency for the benefit of the entire shipping and logistics industry in Hong Kong.