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## 通告 CIRCULAR

Subject: **HKEX BACKBONE NETWORK UPGRADE FOR SECURITIES MARKET SYSTEMS – OPTIONAL THIRD MARKET REHEARSAL**  
Enquiry: **Participant General Enquiry Hotline<sup>1</sup> (Tel: 2840 3626 E-mail: [trd@hkex.com.hk](mailto:trd@hkex.com.hk))**

With reference to the Exchange Circular (Ref. No.: [CT/072/26](#)), the first two mandatory Market Rehearsals for HKEX backbone network upgrade have been completed successfully. As a final verification of connectivity and the simulation of system failover on the upgraded network, **an optional third Market Rehearsal (MR3)** will be held on **11 July 2026 (Saturday)**.

All Exchange Participants (EPs) and China Connect Exchange Participants (CCEPs) are strongly encouraged to participate in MR3. Interested EPs and CCEPs are required to submit the registration form ([Attachment 1](#)) via [ECP](#) by **7 July 2026 (Tuesday)**. The MR3 activity rundown will be provided separately to the registered EPs and CCEPs. EPs relying on information vendors to provide market data updates for trading purpose should liaise with their respective information vendors for providing market data support during the MR3.

### Summary of the MR3:

Events	Date	Time	Details
<b>Optional MR3</b>	11 July 2026 (Saturday)	09:00-10:00	Following the HKEX primary site upgrade, components at the backup site will also be upgraded. MR3 aims to verify connectivity and system failover to the Backup site.  <b><u>At the Primary Site</u></b> EPs and CCEPs who participate in the MR3 should:

<sup>1</sup> All calls to and from the Participant General Enquiry Hotline may be recorded. HKEX Privacy Policy Statement is available [here](#).

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Submit orders to simulate normal daily operations.</li> <li>• Login to <b>ECP via SFTP only</b> to verify connectivity, if applicable.</li> </ul>
		10:00-11:00	HKEX systems will fail over from the Primary Site to the Backup Site.
		11:00-13:15	<p><b><u>At the Backup Site</u></b></p> <p>EPs and CCEPs should again input orders and trades, and login to ECP (via SFTP only) to verify connectivity (if applicable).</p>

Subject to the completion of MR3, the arrangements for network cutover and corresponding Post Release Tests (PRTs) will be announced in due course. Thank you in advance for your participation and co-operation.

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