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“Mediate First” Pledge

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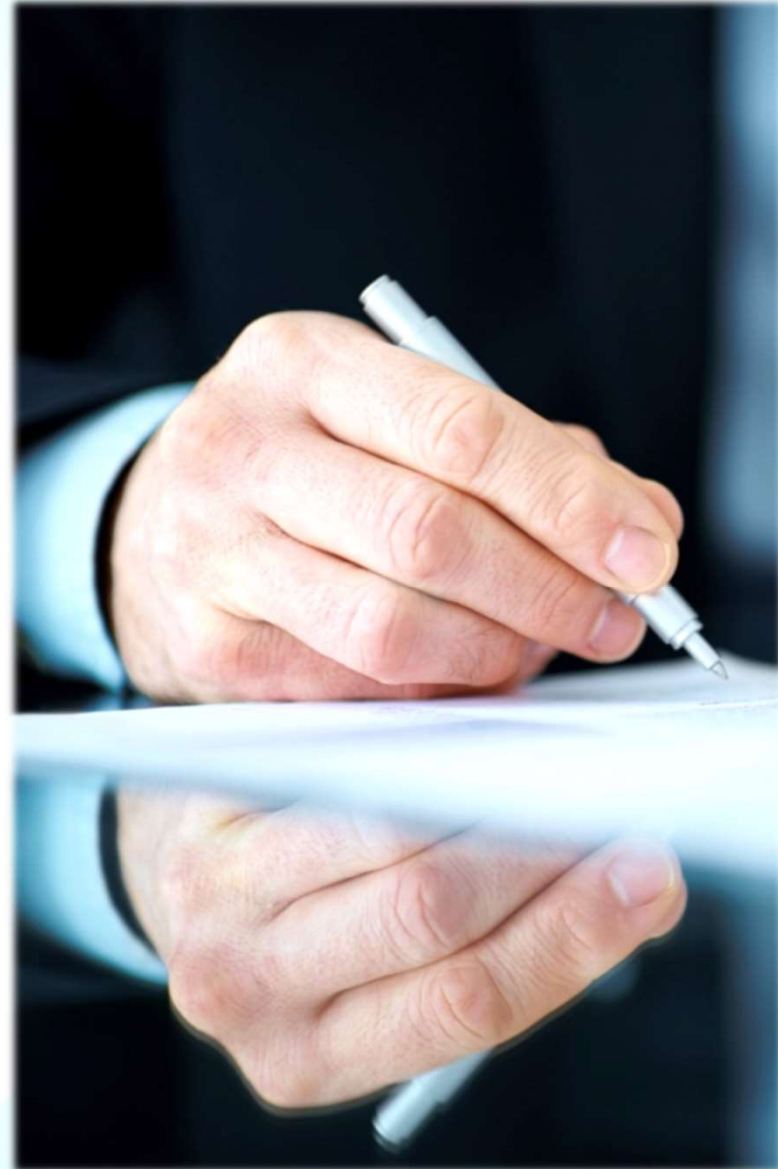
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“Mediate First” Pledge Campaign

- Launched in 2009 to encourage the use of mediation
- Non-legally binding commitment by pledgees to first explore the use of mediation to resolve disputes
- Over 770 individuals, companies and organisations/associations have signed the pledge



“Mediate First” Logo



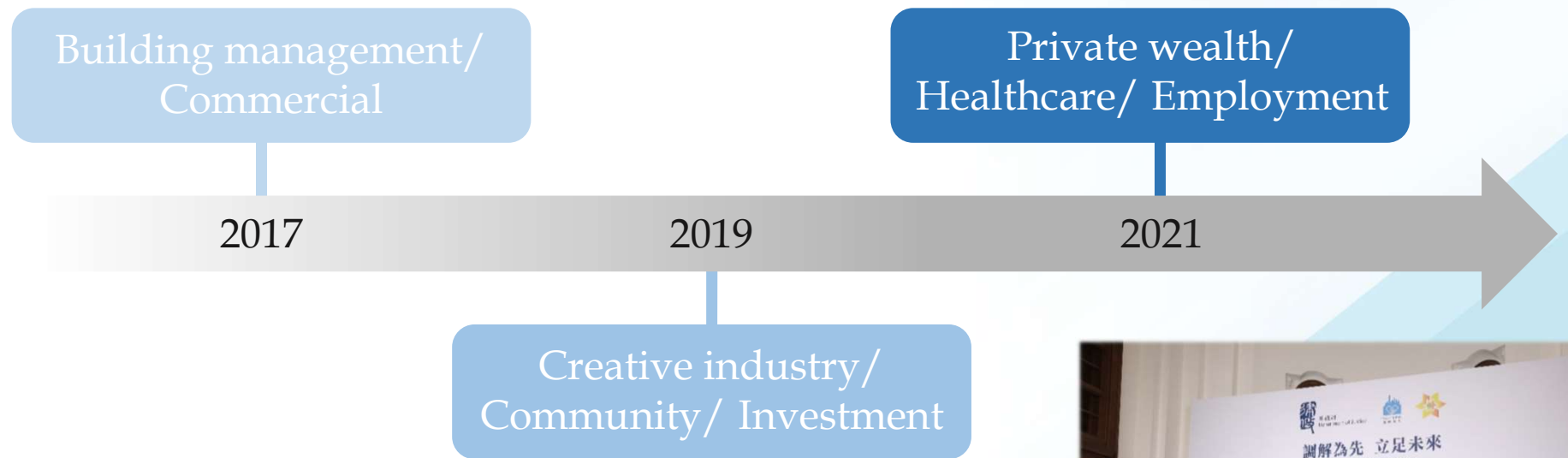
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Handshake
Unity, cooperation
and peace

Heart
Transparency, harmony
and honesty

Skyline
Hong Kong and
professionalism of
mediation

“Mediate First” Pledge Event



In 2021, more than 1,300 participants from different sectors of 14 jurisdictions (e.g. Malaysia, US, Mauritius, UK) joined the event virtually.



New Pledgeses Signing Ceremony

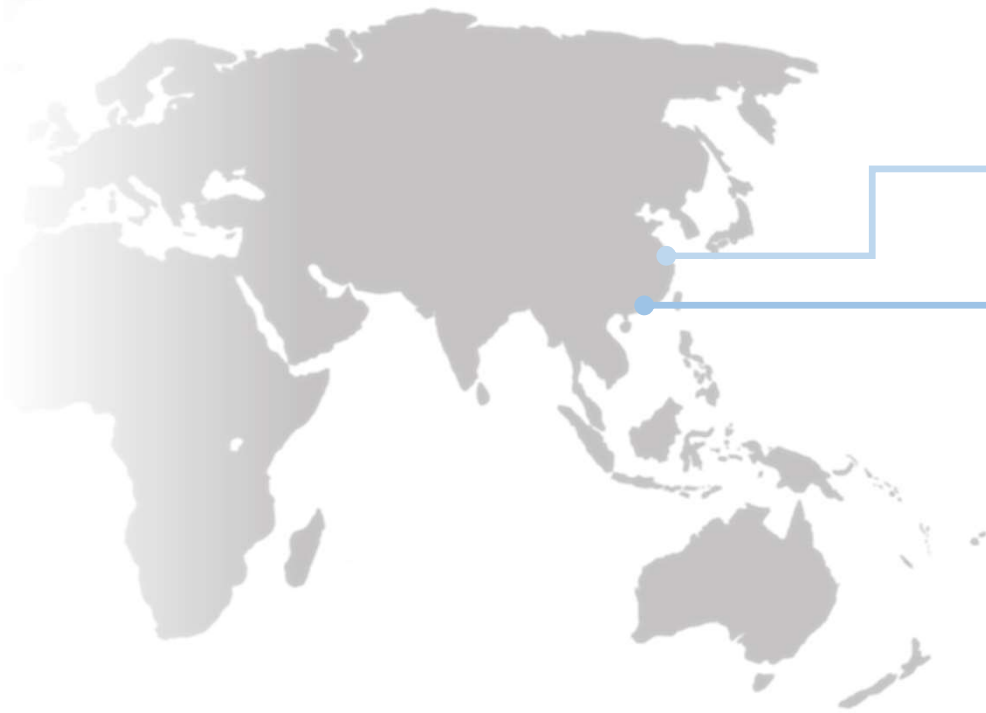


Star Logo Award Ceremony

- “Star Logo” will be awarded to pledgees who can demonstrate that they have met one or more of the criteria to use and promote mediation
- Recognition of a pledgee’s achievements in promoting and adopting mediation in the pledgee’s practice



“Mediate First” Pledge outside Hong Kong



Shanghai (August 2019)



Shenzhen (November 2019)



“Mediate First” Pledge outside Hong Kong



Bangkok, Thailand
(March 2023)
Our first stop in ASEAN

“Mediate First” Pledge – Thailand

Officially launched in
Thailand in collaboration with
Thailand Arbitration Center





“Mediate First” Pledge for *All*

- Promote the wider use of mediation internationally
- Foster exchange and cooperation amongst mediation and other professional services providers and business entities
- Create opportunities for all



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