

ICBC (Asia) Sponsors the Finale of the 46th Hong Kong Arts Festival Estonian National Symphony Orchestra and Estonian National Male Choir

【25th March 2018, Hong Kong】ICBC (Asia) has continued in its steadfast support for the development of arts and culture in Hong Kong, as well as its commitment to giving back to customers and the community. For the sixth consecutive year, ICBC (Asia) is the exclusive sponsor of the Finale of the Hong Kong Arts Festival. This year, the world renowned Estonian National Symphony Orchestra and Estonian National Male Choir joined hands to present the finest music from the Baltic Sea to conclude the 46th Hong Kong Arts Festival.

Estonian National Symphony Orchestra is one of the most renowned symphony orchestras in the world with a long history. It has performed in over 40 countries around the world since its debut, and organizes nearly 100 concerts annually. It has also been working closely with the Estonian National Male Choir, which has impressed audiences worldwide since its establishment more than 70 years ago.

To celebrate the grand Finale of the 46th Hong Kong Arts Festival, ICBC (Asia) held a pre-event private cocktail reception, which was hosted by the Chairman and Executive Director of ICBC (Asia), Ms. Gao Ming, in the presence of HKSAR government officials, representatives of the Hong Kong Arts Festival and distinguished guests of ICBC (Asia).

In her welcome remarks, **Ms. Gao Ming, Chairman and Executive Director of ICBC (Asia)** said, “ICBC (Asia) is honored to sponsor the Finale of the Hong Kong Arts Festival for the sixth consecutive year, through which we wish to promote the development of arts and culture in Hong Kong, and give back to society. The extraordinary performances by the Estonian National Symphony Orchestra and Estonian National Male Choir have been described as ‘the equipoise of power and control’ by New York Classical Review, which echoes our philosophy of striving for innovation and excellence while adhering to prudence. ICBC (Asia) has always been upholding the philosophy of ‘Sharing, Winning and Developing Together’, persisting in customer-centric approach and providing professional and quality cross-border and cross-regional financial products and services to local customers in Hong

Kong, ‘Going Global’ customers of Mainland China, and customers in the Asia Pacific Region and around the world.

Going forward, ICBC (Asia) will actively tap the opportunities brought by the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Bay Area and the Asia Pacific region, continue to optimize our product structure and create breakthroughs in the aspects of transaction banking, asset management, investment banking and retail banking, etc., and further deepen our relationship and cooperation with our valued customers to achieve mutual benefits, with an ultimate aim of becoming a leading bank for cross-border financial services.”

The Hong Kong Arts Festival is a premier cultural event in the international arts community. The 46th Hong Kong Arts Festival held from 23 February to 24 March 2018 features more than 1,700 outstanding artists from Hong Kong and overseas, who present 130 wonderful performances for audiences in Hong Kong.

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(Photo 1) Caption: Chairman and Executive Director of ICBC (Asia) Gao Ming delivered a speech at the pre-performance cocktail reception of the Finale of the 46th Hong Kong Arts Festival.



(Photo 2) Caption: Chairman and Executive Director of ICBC (Asia) Gao Ming (the fifth from left) and the ICBC (Asia) management team proposed a toast at the cocktail reception.



(Photo 3) Caption: (Right to left) The Honorable Matthew Cheung Kin-chung, Chief Secretary for Administration of the HKSAR; and the Chairman and Executive Director of ICBC (Asia) Gao Ming, were photographed during the ICBC (Asia)'s private reception of the Finale of the 46th Hong Kong Arts Festival.



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