**Important Circular – Caution on Fraudulent Emails**

Dear Exhibitors,

It has come to our attention that scammers are contacting our customers, purporting to offer them attendee/visitor list of events organised by HKTDC.  There may be variations on the name of the events when the scammers contact the customers.

To set the record straight, these scammers have no association with HKTDC and the list that they offered to our customers are fraudulent. In fact, customer data protection is our top priority.  HKTDC does not sell attendee/visitor list of our events nor does HKTDC authorise any third party to sell our customer data.

In any event, when you receive an offer to sell you attendee/visitor list of any events organised by HKTDC, please do not respond to it.

HKTDC would like to remind our exhibitors to stay vigilant and take extra precautions. We hope that the following tips may help to raise your awareness:

1. Ensure that the email is genuinely from HKTDC

* Always identify the sender of the email from its domain.
* Official HKTDC communications will be sent from our official domain “@hktdc.org”.

1. Check the HKTDC disclaimer

* All emails sent from HKTDC will carry the Council’s disclaimer at the bottom of the email.

1. Reconfirm bank account number and beneficiary name (Hong Kong Trade Development Council) when making payments.
2. Always use trusted Wi-Fi network

* There is always security risk when using untrusted public Wi-Fi network to access emails. It is possible that hackers can capture your emails or send fraudulent emails to you on untrusted Wi-fi network.

1. Report suspicious emails

* If you receive any emails suspected to be fraudulent, please forward them to us for verification.

If you have any questions or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us:

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Thanks for your attention and we wish you a successful fair in April.