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Minister of Finance Visits China and Hong Kong

Minister of Finance, Dr. Yuval Steinitz, is currently visiting Hong Kong and China for the EXPO 2010 in Shanghai and the launch of the [Israeli pavilion](#), escorted by a delegation of Israeli businessmen. During his visit, Minister Steinitz is meeting with several state officials from China and Hong Kong. In addition, Minister Steinitz is also meeting representatives of major banks and financial institutions.

Since his arrival on May 2nd, Minister Steinitz met with Hong Kong's Financial Secretary, **Mr. John Tsang Chun-Wah**, who noted that Israel and Hong Kong are similar economies that are based on knowledge, and called for more future cooperation between the two. Minister Steinitz and his entourage also visited the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

Minister Steinitz also met with the Chairman of Hutchison Whampoa and Cheung Kong Holdings, **Sir Li Ka-Shing**, who emphasized his appreciation for the State of Israel and Israeli technology. Hutchison Whampoa is a former investor in 'Partner' (Israeli telecom) and is currently invested in IDE, which is associated in the Hadera desalination plant. **Ka-Shing noted that** Hutchison would be interested in Israeli developments in the fields of water technology and non-polluting drawing techniques.

Enclosed for your use are photographs from the meetings with Hong Kong's Financial Secretary, **Mr. John Tsang Chun-Wah** (left) and with Chairman of Hutchison Whampoa and Cheung Kong Holdings, **Sir Li Ka-Shing** (Right).



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