

# URBAN FARM PLANNING & MANAGEMENT FOR PROFESSIONALS (PROPERTY & FACILITIES MANAGEMENT SECTOR)

(Course code: 88109)

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BEC Building, 77 Tat Chee Avenue, Kowloon Tong, Hong Kong

HK\$2,000\* (with a maximum of 20% discount)

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Urban farming is on the rise around the world, driven by the need to address food security issues and biophilic design in a rapidly urbanising world. Hence, addressing the relationship between food and the sustainable development of cities has become the priority of municipal governments of many major cities in the world. It is expected that more than half of the world's population will be living in the city by 2050. Apart from food safety and security, people are more concerned about their physical and mental well-being, rebuilding health and human connection in this densely packed cityscape.

Urban farms, now an emerging facility of new urban living, integrates nature and into human communities in the city, has displayed great potential in fulfilling such demand, offers great opportunities for both public and private sectors. In addition, it offers an opportunity to enhance the building value, brand image and cultivate stronger tenant engagement.

In view of this growing demand, managing urban farms as part of green facilities is becoming an essential industry know-how for Facilities management.



## Course Objectives

- Understand the benefits and potential of urban farming
- Understand the characteristics of an urban farm as a property facility
- Understand how urban farming can enhance stakeholder engagement
- Understand the basic requirements for integrating an urban farm into urban commercial properties
- Understand the process and procedures for managing urban farms as part of property management value chain
- Gain insights from both local and international case studies

## Content

- What is urban-farming and the benefits of urban farming in properties?
- Hong Kong-specific innovative urban farming model
- Requirements and checklist of designing, building and integrating urban farms into your properties
- Latest policies, guidelines and standards regarding urban farming in Hong Kong
- Basics of Organic Farming and its application in urban farming facilities
- Integrated urban farming management (facility integration, waste management, farming cycles, organic farming considerations)
- Stakeholder management and reporting
- Smart Farming Technologies & its application in urban rooftop farming
- Case Study Sharing
- Visit the rooftop farm at the Jockey Club Environmental Building
- Hands-On Activities

## Instructors

Instructors from Rooftop Republic Urban Farming

## Guest Speakers

### Prof Mathew Pryor

Associate Professor (Teaching)  
Associate Dean (Teaching and Learning) (F.Arch, HKU)  
Senior Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (UK)

### Mr Tony Ip

Founder, Tony Ip Green Architects Limited

### Ms Ellie Tang

Head of Sustainability, New World Development Company Limited

### Mr Stefano Tronci

Associate Principal, Woods Bagots

## Medium of Instruction

English supplemented with Cantonese.

## Certificate

A Certificate of Attendance will be awarded to participants after the course.

★ This course has been included in the list of registered public courses under the Reindustrialisation and Technology Training Programme (RTTP)



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- Admission is made on a first-come-first-served basis;
- Successful applicants will be notified no later than 3 working days before the commencement of the course;
- Unsuccessful applicants will be given refund of course fees if they have already paid;
- The course will be cancelled with full refund when the typhoon signal no.8 or above, or black storm warning is hoisted 3 hours before the course commences;
- An official e-receipt will be distributed through email to the participant upon the completion of the course;
- BEC reserves the right not to conduct the course if the applications are below the required minimum number of participants, and course fees received will be refunded. All decisions made by BEC on matters related to the courses are final;
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## About Rooftop Republic Urban Farming

Pioneering in the field of urban farming in Hong Kong, Rooftop Republic has been setting up and managing urban farms for different clients since 2015, and has since set up more than 50 farms across Hong Kong and China, providing the sites for HK people to experience the vibrancy and diversity that an urban farm can provide. Rooftop Republic's track record and client portfolio include corporates, real estate developers, F&B, restaurants and schools. To find out more, visit: [www.rooftoprepublic.com](http://www.rooftoprepublic.com)

Rooftop Republic Co. Ltd. aims to connect people with their food, make our city greener, and use urban farming as a platform for a life learning experience and social transformation. Our innovative approach and end-to-end services -- from design, installation to maintenance and community engagement- aims to incorporate urban farms into city-dwellers' lifestyles and make it commonplace.

From 2015, we have built more than 60 urban rooftop farms in different parts of Hong Kong, converting more than 68,000 idling urban space into productive urban farming sites. We have organised more than 500 events around organic farming and sustainable living in which more than 13,000 participants have been engaged.

Currently, we are managing more than 20 urban farms, working closely with property managers and other stakeholders to produce food within the city, providing our clients with meaningful and practical urban farming experience.