







SEPTEMBER 2018

# **BEC E-NEWSLETTER**

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## **BEC ANNIVERSARY DINNER 2018**

Around 300 like-minded sustainability leaders from the government and various industries joined the **BEC Anniversary Dinner 2018** on 27 September to celebrate BEC's work and preview the exciting opportunities ahead for contributing to the transition to a low carbon economy. The Dinner's Guest of Honour and Keynote Speaker Mr Wong Kam-sing, GBS, JP, Secretary for the Environment shared with guests latest initiatives by the government and acknowledged BEC's efforts in promoting environmental excellence.





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A new partnership initiative of BEC, **Sustainable Financing Programme** is the first programme of its kind launched by HSBC in Hong Kong to recognise the amount by which businesses reduce their carbon emissions with a rebate to borrowers. As the independent technical partner of the Programme, BEC will assist in calculating the amount of carbon emission saving for each application. Moreover, BEC Institute of Environmental Education will offer tailor-made courses for the participating companies of the Programme on a regularly basis.

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### **BEC SUBMISSION ON LAND CONSULTATION**

Earlier in September, BEC has submitted our views on public consultation launched by the Task Force on Land Supply. Despite a clear urgency to address land shortage in Hong Kong for different uses, BEC recommended that the Government should avoid land supply options that would bring irreversible adverse impact to the environment. The authorities should also conduct systematic and thorough analyses to maximise societal gain of each option and establish a fair and transparent compensation mechanism when there are trade-offs. To meet the short- and medium-term demand for residential land, the Government would need to make informed decisions based on evidence and trends to optimise the use of existing urban land. After all, sustainability is the key to the city's long-term development.

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### **BEC MEMBERS CORNER**





BEC Council Member
Towngas has launched
Regenerative Electric Energy

Module (REEM) for gas hotplate, which provides a greener alternative for users.

Traditionally, batteries are needed for the gas hotplate to generate an electric spark to ignite the flame. By using REEM module, residual cooking heat is turned into a usable energy and charged up for sparks generation, battery replacement is no longer required for the gas hotplate that helps reduce the e-waste stream.

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To promote the importance of ecofriendliness and energy-efficiency in buildings, BEC Corporate Member Intertek Hong Kong organised a seminar

themed as "New Trends & Opportunities in Energy Management for Buildings" in mid-September. The seminar successfully introduced to over 130 attendees from authorities, commercial corporations and industries how energy-saving equipment and smart technologies including solar panels and smart home devices can benefit the society.

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## Thinking about showcasing your green technologies at BEC Headquarters?

Members are welcome to contact our membership team (T. 2784 3924 | E. membership@bec.org.hk) for demonstrating the latest green technologies at our Headquarters, the Jockey Club Environmental Building.

### Please join us in welcoming our new members: Corporate member

Jebsen & Company Limited



New World China Land Limited



Television Broadcasts Limited



#### **General Member**

Echo Asia Communications Limited Galaxy Fire Services Company Limited Hong Kong EV Power Limited Kim Ho Group (Hong Kong) Co., Limited Wo Lee Steel Co., Ltd

#### **Affiliate Member**

Success Base Engineering Limited

## Not a BEC Member yet?



Contact our **Membership Team (T. 2784 3924** | **E. membership@bec.org.hk)** to know more about our membership scheme. You can also contact our membership team to explore potential speaking and sponsorship opportunities.

Want to share your company's latest green news with over 5,000 BEC newsletter subscribers from various industries?

BEC Council, Corporate and General Members are welcomed to submit their exciting news/technology/activities related to sustainability and environment excellence to us. We will then share your news via BEC communications channels, including our social media platforms and e-Newsletter. Please contact Ms Peryl Tse (T. 2784 3912 | E. peryltse@bec.org.hk) for submissions and enquiries.

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**Eco Expo Asia** 



25-28 October

BEC will be exhibiting at the Eco Expo Asia, the region's reputable environmental trading platform for green innovations and solutions. Our booth number is 3-A14 in

Hall 3's Hong Kong Pavilion in AsiaWorld-Expo.

In addition, BEC is pleased to be a coorganiser of the Waste Management and Recycling seminar in Eco Asia Conference 2018 on 26 October during the 4-day event to explore latest waste management & recycling technologies, and Municipal Solid Waste Charging Scheme in Hong Kong.



**Click HERE for registration and details** 

#### **BEC EnviroSeries Conference 2018 November**



23 November



Recently, the Hong Kong SAR Government has invited the Council for Sustainable Development to conduct a Public Engagement exercise through stakeholders' engagement and public consultation to obtain views from the community for developing Hong Kong's long-term decarbonisation strategies up to 2050. Titled "The Making of a Low Carbon

Hong Kong: Business Leadership and Best Practices", the upcoming Enviroseries Conference will explore the recent developments, progress, and the next steps in Hong Kong's transformation towards a low carbon city – feeding into Hong Kong's long-term decarbonisation strategy. Besides speakers of business champions from local and overseas, we are delighted to have Mr Wong Kam-sing, GBS, JP, Secretary for the Environment, as the Guest of Honour and Keynote Speaker.

Register by 12 October to enjoy a maximum of 40% early bird discount!

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## **BEC PAST EVENTS**



## **BEC Leadership Networking Series: Actions for Reducing Single-Use Plastic**



BEC organised a seminar entitled "Actions for Reducing Single-Use Plastic" on 30 August in response to the serious environmental problems caused by the overuse of plastic. During the seminar, representatives from the Environmental Protection Department, Sino Group, The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels,

Limited and Langham Hospitality Group shared their efforts and experiences on actions to reduce the use of single-use plastic. The seminar offered an enriching experience for the over 100 like-minded attendees from the business and environmental protection sectors to exchange ideas.

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#### Low Carbon Hong Kong: Supporting Business to Set Targets, Property & Construction Working Group

The fourth and final workshop of the **Low Carbon Hong Kong** initiative was held on 18 September, which explored how to reduce the carbon footprint of construction and construction materials, and how to set corresponding business strategies and targets to facilitate decarbonisation. Peers and experts in the sector, as well as representatives from the Development Bureau and Buildings Department, took part in the discussion and in developing the way forward towards this endeavour. Stay tuned for a Topical Digest summarising the highlights and conclusions of the workshop.

Moving forward, BEC will also produce a synthesis report of the learnings from the research, workshops, and engagement as part of the initiative.

# BEC INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION (IEE) TRAINING COURSES



#### **BREEAM In-Use Assessor Training**



11 & 12 October

Advanced Training on The WELL Building Standard v2™



26 October

Intensive Training on Indoor Mould Inspection and Management



5 November

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## **BEC SUPPORTED EVENTS**



- Tree Adoption Program | Conservation E3 Foundation | September 2017 October 2018
- The 16th Venice Biennale International Architecture Exhibition Hong Kong Exhibition and Response Exhibition | The Hong Kong Institute of Architect Biennale Foundation and Hong Kong Arts Development Council | 25 May 2018 2Q, 2019
- HK Corporate Citizenship Program | Hong Kong Productivity Council | June December 2018
- BOCHK Corporate Environmental Leadership Awards 2018 | Federation of Hong Kong Industries | 1 June- 31 October 2018
- Hong Kong Green Building Week 2018 | Construction Industry Council and Hong Kong Green Building Council Limited | August -October 2018
- "My Green Space" Green Building Competition for Schools 2018 | Hong Kong Green Building Council | September 2018 - May 2019
- How Are You Managing Your SMEs' Environmental, Social and Governance Risks? | Cundall | 3 October 2018
- IFMA Guide Tour: The District Cooling System at Kai Tak Development | IFMA HK Chapter | 12 October 2018
- Symposium on Innovation & Technology | Hong Kong Trade Development Council and Hong Kong Electronics & Technologies Association | 13&16 October 2018
- ECO Expo Asia 2018 Hong Kong Pavilion | Environmental Protection Department (Implementation Agent: Federation of Hong Kong Industries) | 25-28 October 2018
- Jockey Club Civic Exchange "Reconnecting Open Space"
  Programme: "Space Talk, Space Walk" Public Forum | Civic Exchange | 26 October 2018
- HKIE Inter-Division Courses | HKIE Inter-Division Courses | November 2018 January 2019
- HKHS International Housing Conference 2018 | Hong Kong Housing Society | 2-3 November 2018
- FT Climate Finance Summit Asia | FT Live | 21 November 2018
- Social Enterprise Summit 2018 | Social Enterprise Summit | 22-24 November 2018
- Passive and Low Energy Architecture 2018 Conference | The Chinese University of Hong Kong | 10-12 December 2018

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