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BEC ENVIROSERIES CONFERENCE MAY 2019

BEC EnviroSeries Conference, our flagship event was successfully held on 17 May 2019 at The Mira Hong Kong. Entitled "The Business of Waste – Solving Hong Kong's Urgent Environmental Problem", the Conference attracted over 200 delegates across industries to explore problems, opportunities and future strategies in Hong Kong's waste management system.

"The waste challenge often tops our agenda in the area of environmental protection. We are taking a multi-pronged approach to promote the green culture of 'Use Less, Waste Less'." Guest of Honour **Mr Wong Kam-sing**, Secretary for the Environment said in his keynote speech.

"It is encouraging to hear from the speakers that there were sharper focus and greater effort on waste management and sustainable resource management in the last few years. While the government continues to work at full steam in putting forward a masterplan of waste management, we are pleased to learn that the Hong Kong business sector is also taking a proactive approach towards waste avoidance and reduction." **Mr Richard Lancaster**, Chairman of BEC, said in his closing remarks.



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BEC MEMBERS CORNER



BEC Council Member **CLP Power** recently opened its SmartHub@CLP, a 5,000-

square-foot exhibition centre located at the company's office in Shamshuipo, featuring the latest green technologies and innovative energy saving solutions with the application of virtual reality and interactive multimedia. The Centre's InnoLab features a 270-degree video projection that gives a futuristic impression of how a smart city looks. Its Experience Lab is comprised of six themed zones, namely smart grid, smart environment, smart living, smart business, smart mobility and smart education, showcasing a combination of technologies for building a smart city. Innovative products and solutions from start-up companies are also highlighted in the Centre's Start-up Corner. The centre is now open and welcomes CLP business partners and tertiary institutions to visit by appointment via 2678 2660 or smarthub@clp.com.hk.

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SWIRE PROPERTIES

BEC Council Member **Swire Properties Limited** held its ninth annual charity book sale, "Books for Love @ \$10" at Taikoo Place from 25 to 28 April 2019 with huge success raising HK\$766,754 for The Boys' & Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong and the Agency for Volunteer Service. Around 1,200 volunteers participated to sort and organise a record-breaking 200,000+ books collected – 50,000 more than last year. The event venues were decorated with recycled cardboard tubing and recycled bamboo poles. In addition, over 200 volunteers worked together with Angus Tsui, a sustainable fashion designer, to create a giant upcycled art installation "Love in Bloom", which was made from waste materials such as used uniforms from Swire Hotels and unwanted stock fabrics.

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With its proactive environmental management, and innovative and practical environmental projects, BEC Council Member **The Hong Kong & China Gas Company Limited** honourably received three awards in the Presentation Ceremony of Hong Kong Awards for Environmental Excellence and Hong Kong Green Organisation Certification organised by the Environmental Campaign Committee (ECC) along with the Environmental Protection Department and nine organisations (including BEC) on 29 April 2019. Going forward, Towngas will continue to comply with the most stringent regulatory requirements and benchmark its operations against the highest international environmental standards to work towards realising the Group's vision in sustainable development and corporate social responsibility.

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BEC Corporate Member **Agile Group Holdings Limited**'s sponsored event, "The Joint University Eco-Business Innovation Award 2018-2019 (eBIA)" recently came to a successful close. Over 40 teams participated in this seven-month green education activity which comprised visits to enterprises, workshops, a field trip and a green business solution competition. This year, the contestants formulated a green business solution with Agile Changjiang Hotel Zhongshan and used this as the blueprint for developing the hotel and the nearby La Cité Greenville Zhongshan into a green and low-carbon community. Three teams from The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology were the champion, first and second runners-up.

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Li & Fung Limited, one of the companies under BEC Corporate Member **Fung Group**, published its Annual Report 2018 in May. The report outlines its approach to sustainability and provides an update on its environmental, social and governance performance. In addition to the Good Governance and Risk Management sections, updates are provided across the four pillars of the company's Sustainability Strategy: Supply Chain Sustainability, Engaging our People, Our Communities and Managing our Footprint. Included in this report is also how Li & Fung engages with its stakeholders to work on issues that are material to its business and stakeholders. Convenience Retail Asia Limited, operating Circle K and Saint Honore, another company under Fung Group also launched its ESG Report 2018 in April, presenting the company's commitment to transition to a low-carbon and inclusive economy. Both companies support the Ten Principles of the United Nations Global Compact and their reports cover the progress in aligning to relevant UN Sustainable Development Goals.

[Click HERE to learn more on Li & Fung Limited Annual Report](#)

[Click HERE to learn more on Convenience Retail Asia Limited ESG Report](#)



BEC Corporate Member **Hong Kong Air Cargo Terminals Limited** (Hactl) believes that

sustainability cannot be achieved just by words, but by actions. As thousands of trees were felled by Typhoon Mangkhut last year, Hactl joined and sponsored a local annual tree planting event to help rebuild a damaged country park. This is the second time for Hactl to join the event, aiming to engage more staff in supporting environmental protection. 20 staff from the company's top management and various departments formed 5 teams and planted over 120 tree saplings in Tai Lam Country Park.

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intertek

BEC Corporate Member **Intertek Hong Kong** was once again awarded with the Wastewi\$e Certificate by Hong Kong Awards for Environmental Excellence.

The company's Total Quality Assurance operation team reduces the amount of waste generated within their establishments and adopts effective waste management practice when providing their all-round assurance, testing, inspection and certification services to customers. Waste avoidance is also widely promoted in its Garment Centre at which 1,500 staff have been encouraged to reduce waste, reuse and recycle materials during their daily operations.



Changes for the Better

BEC General Member **Mitsubishi Electric (Hong Kong) Limited** has collaborated with a

social enterprise on the "Share the Sunshine" programme since October 2017, an initiative that supports the company's environmental statement "Eco changes for a greener tomorrow". Under this programme, the company has donated their photovoltaics panels and related facilities to the social enterprise's organic farm plus has organised tours for over 600 primary students to experience a day in farm and to acquire knowledge on renewable energy and environmental protection. This summer, the programme will extend its reach to the underprivileged groups by organising student visits to a sheltered workshop managed by the social enterprise in Tuen Mun and share farm produce with those in need.

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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 environmental excellence to us. We will then share your news via BEC communications channels, including our social media platforms and e-Newsletter. Please contact Ms Pearl Lee (T. 2784 3948 | E. pearl@bec.org.hk) for submissions and enquiries.

Thinking about showcasing your green technologies at BEC Building?



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

BEC UPCOMING EVENTS

Green Building Standards Seminar



3 June

BEC and the European Chamber of Commerce Hong Kong will jointly host a breakfast seminar on green building standards, sharing with you an overview of four leading green building rating systems that are defining sustainability in the built environment today. Expert speakers will introduce and analyse the respective standards and provide insights into the application of each system within the Hong Kong context. The green building standards explored will include LEED and WELL from USA, BEAM from Hong Kong, and Passivhaus from Germany. The presentations will be followed by lively discussions with audience on the challenges and opportunities facing the green building scene in Hong Kong.



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Stepping Up to the BEC Low Carbon Charter: How to Set and Achieve Decarbonisation Targets (Workshop 1)



21 June

Launched on 19 March 2019, the BEC Low Carbon Charter mobilised more than 30 major companies across Hong Kong's property and construction value chain to commit to set and achieve ambitious decarbonisation targets towards a sustainable and low carbon future. Now

that the commitments have been made, the challenge of following through and implementing the commitments begins. This is a series of two workshops designed to support signatories and potential signatories to advance in their decarbonisation journeys, and to serve as a platform for open and constructive dialogue. The workshops will feature presentations and interactive discussions with BEC and industry experts, as well as experience and best practice sharing from peers.

Stepping Up to the **BEC Low Carbon Charter:**
How to Set & Achieve Decarbonisation Targets
Workshop 1

21 June 2019 (Fri), 9:30a.m. – 11:30a.m.

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Green Delight in Estates – Green Living Fun Day



1 June (Shek Pai Wan Estate)
15 June (Sun Tin Wai Estate)
22 June (Tin Heng Estate)
29 June (Tin Tsz Estate)

Partnering with Housing Authority, this programme aims to raise environmental awareness and instil a culture of environmental conservation among residents in public rental housing estates in Hong Kong. June's programme will take place in above four estates and will feature a day of fun-filled activities, including Green Living barbers, green workshops, and talks on waste reduction. And we are now calling for corporate volunteers to join our July's programme. For volunteer enrollment and details, please contact membership@bec.org.hk



The Green Living Fun Day successfully held on 18 May at Ko Yee Estate attracted over 200 residents to join. Photo taken with Environmental Protection Department, Estate Management Advisory Committee, and Estate Management Office from Ko Yee Estate

BEC PAST EVENTS



Deciphering TCFD Part 1: What Businesses Cannot Ignore – Understanding Investor and Stakeholder Expectations

In light of the growing awareness in responsible investment and increasing expectations from investors, BEC hosted a seminar entitled “Deciphering TCFD Part 1: What Businesses Cannot Ignore – Understanding Investor and Stakeholder Expectations” on 30 April. Mr James Robertson from PRI, Ms Valerie Kwan from Climate Action 100+, Ms Candice Low from CDP and Dr Calvin Lee Kwan from Link Asset Management Limited shared their insights on what investors and stakeholders are looking for and how companies should respond to the TCFD recommendations. Over 60 industry practitioners joined this insightful event.



BEC Policy Dialogue Series - Lantau Tomorrow Vision

BEC was pleased to have Mr Michael Fong, Head of the Sustainable Lantau Office, and Mr Robin Lee, Principal Project Coordinator, Sustainable Lantau Office, at our “Policy Dialogue Series - Lantau Tomorrow Vision” on 3 May. Delegates across different industries enjoyed this highly interactive and informative seminar on the Government’s proposed megaproject which included a fruitful discussion on the project’s smart green features, environmental impacts, and climate resilience.

BEC Industry Visit to Baguio Green Group and K. Wah Construction Materials at EcoPark

On 24 May, around 30 guests joined BEC’s Industry Visit to two BEC member sites. The first was the Waste Glass Bottle Recycling Plant of Baguio Green Group which features an advanced glass recycling technology with a processing capacity of 100 tonnes per day. Then, the tour moved to K. Wah Construction Materials which collects the glass cullet produced by Baguio and mixes it with other construction and demolition waste to form new pavers. Participants gained a deeper understanding on the entire production chain of eco-blocks and eco-pavers, which are environment-friendly, decorative and functional.

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From top: The Waste Glass Bottle Recycling Plant of Baguio Green Group; K. Wah Construction Materials at EcoPark.

BEC INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION (IEE) TRAINING COURSES



Intensive Training on Indoor Mould Inspection and Management (4th Intake)



19 June

Advanced Training on The WELL Building Standard v2TM



29 July

Comprehensive Certificate Course for BEAM Plus on Materials Aspects (MA) 2019



23, 25 & 30 July and 1 & 6 August

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BEC SUPPORTED EVENTS



- **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
- **“My Green Space” Green Building Competition for Schools 2018** | Hong Kong Green Building Council | September 2018 - May 2019
- **Green Building Award 2019 (GBA 2019)** | Professional Green Building (PGBC) and the Hong Kong Green Building Council (HKGBC) | March - November 2019
- **Sustainable Development Goals Junior Ambassador 2019** | JCI Hong Kong Jayceettes | 10 March - mid of July 2019
- **Hong Kong Corporate Citizenship** | Hong Kong Productivity Council | May – August 2019
- **HKICS 20th Annual Corporate and Regulatory Update (ACRU)** | The Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries | 5 June 2019
- **ASHRAE Distinguished Lecturer Series: Technical Seminar on Application and Experience Sharing on Thermal Energy Storage for Energy Efficient Building Design** | ASHRAE Hong Kong Chapter | 13 June 2019
- **2nd Annual Asia Sustainable & Responsible Capital Markets Forum** | Euromoney Conferences | 25 June 2019
- **Water Conference 2019** | Chartered Institution of Water and Environmental Management Hong Kong Branch | 12 July 2019
- **Forum on “Municipal Solid Waste Charging: How will it impact Hong Kong?”** | The Hong Kong Waste Management Association | 26 September 2019
- **The International Water Association Asia Pacific Regional Group (IWA-ASPIRE) Conference & Exhibition 2019** | The International Water Association (IWA), IWA Regional Committee of Hong Kong, China (IWA HK), and Asia Pacific Regional Group (ASPIRE) | 31 October - 2 November 2019
- **Social Enterprise Summit 2019** | Social Enterprise Summit | 21 - 23 November 2019
- **The 10th Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Bay Area Conference on Operation and Maintenance in Buildings– “Making Smart Buildings Smarter”** | Building Services Operation and Maintenance Executives Society (BSOMES), Department of Building Services Engineering of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PolyU-BSE), The Macao Institution of Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (AEEMM) and South China University of Technology | 6 December 2019

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