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BEC Net-zero Carbon Charter Information Pack

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A call for **city level change** for climate actions



Net-zero pledges among corporates, become more mainstreamed



Growing call for **concrete near-term / interim emission reduction targets**, aligned with the 1.5°C science-based pathways

Introduction to BEC Net-zero Carbon Charter: Invitation to join and collaborate for a net-zero journey

- The Government released in **Climate Action Plan 2050**, with 2035 interim target and 2050 carbon neutrality target

- More **net-zero guidelines** have been released
 - SBTi Net-Zero Standard (Oct 2021) – with sector-specific guidance documents in 2022 and 2023
 - ISO Net Zero Guidelines (Nov 2022)
 - HKEX Conclusions on Climate Disclosure Requirements (April 2024)
 - HKMA Hong Kong Taxonomy for Sustainable Finance (May 2024)

- BEC takes reference to these changes happening locally and internationally, and rebrands the existing charter to accelerate **net-zero transition** for business.

The rebranded BEC Net-zero Carbon Charter with raised ambition and enhanced support for signatories

BEC Net-zero Carbon Charter



75
Signatories

20
Science-aligned Signatories

55
Action Signatories

9 Supporting Organisations



Launch event on 24 Aug



Supported by

>80
Guests





Science-aligned Signatories





Action Signatories



Action Signatories



Media coverage for disseminating the launch of BEC Net-zero Carbon Charter to wider community



商界環保協會新約章 低碳升級零碳

今個夏天，香港天氣持續酷熱，近日歐洲受熱浪侵襲，加拿大多處發生山火，氣候危機愈演愈烈。若果要將全球氣溫上升幅度控制在1.5度之內，各國必須聯手實踐，尤其企業需要大幅度減排。商界環保協會近日將2019年推出、自願性質的低碳約章，升級為零碳約章，不再單是作出承諾，而是著手制定目標，切實執行相關措施。

Business ESG 雙週刊



香港特別行政區政府氣候變化專員黃傳輝先生(中)、商界環保協會主席歐嘉榮(左)及行政總裁吳家穎先生(右)共同主持「《BEC零碳約章》啟動禮」。(圖片由協會提供)

Tuesday, August 29, 2023 Standard 英文虎報 SUPPLEMENT 3



BEC rebrands its Net-zero Carbon Charter to raise business ambition and accelerate net-zero action

Business Environment Council Limited ("BEC") celebrated the official launch of the newly rebranded BEC Net-zero Carbon Charter with 60 Charter signatories at BEC Net-zero Carbon Charter Launch Ceremony on 24 August 2023, achieving a remarkable milestone of the organisation.



Mr. C.F. Wong, J.P. Commissioner for Climate Change of the Hong Kong SAR Government (middle), officiates the BEC Net-zero Carbon Charter Launch Ceremony with BEC Chairman Mr. Kevin O'Brien (left) and CEO Mr. Simon Ng (right).

商界環保協會《BEC零碳約章》全面升級 進一步提升商界目標並加速淨零行動



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商界環保協會有限公司於8月24日舉行「《BEC零碳約章》啟動禮」，正式推出升級版的《BEC零碳約章》，並介紹首批60間簽署企業及機構，為協會開創零碳新篇章。

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主禮嘉賓香港特別行政區政府氣候變化專員黃傳輝先生致辭時表示：「為帶領本港實現碳中和目標，特區政府將透過各項宏觀政策，達致低碳能源供應，並推廣綠色運輸和廢物減量。我們推行減排工作成功與否，很大程度上取決於社會各界的積極參與。當中，本港商界在減碳路上的角色尤其重要，能夠利用自身的資源、影響、創新，推動有意義的改變，更可同時肩負企業責任，為社會的可持續發展作出貢獻。」

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《BEC零碳約章》簽署公司名單 (以英文行動簽署機構)

- Active Energy Management Ltd*
- 安樂工程集團*
- 活悅環境有限公司
- 艾華地風險諮詢
- BEAUSKIN Medical
- 冠泰資產信託
- 申信國際電話
- 建業集團
- 中電控股有限公司*
- 嘉富高爾斯控制有限公司*
- 科聯系統集團有限公司
- 正昌環保科技(集團)有限公司*
- ESG Hong Kong Limited
- 福瑞科技*
- 豐盛生活服務*
- 富源銀行(香港)
- 香港房屋協會
- 希瑪集團*
- 綜合管理服務*
- 聯管理服務*
- 利尼平美能達(香港)

及機構簽署《BEC零碳約章》

List of BEC Net-zero Carbon Charter signatories (in alphabetical order):

* BEC Members

Action Signatories

- Active Energy Management Ltd*
- Analogus Holdings Limited*
- ASEL Consulting Company
- AVISTA RISK ADVISORY LIMITED
- BEAUSKIN Medical
- Champion REIT
- CTIC Telecom International Holdings Limited
- CityLinkers Group Limited
- CLP Holdings Limited*
- CN Logistics International Holdings Limited*
- Computer And Technologies International Limited
- Dunwell Technology (Holdings) Limited*
- ESG Hong Kong Limited
- Fook Tin Technologies Limited*
- FSE Lifestyle Services*
- Fubon Bank (Hong Kong) Limited
- Hong Kong Housing Society*
- Hysan Development Company Limited*

商界環保協會《BEC零碳約章》 鼓勵企業落實零碳目標

近年商界愈來愈重視環保，商界環保協會有限公司 (BEC) 日前推出升級版《BEC零碳約章》，介紹首批60間簽署企業及機構，包括房地產及建造、銀行及金融、工程及建築等行業，為協會開創零碳新篇章。

商界環保協會主席歐嘉榮同黨安分享，升級後《BEC零碳約章》會繼續鼓勵企業和機構制定及落實零碳目標，為香港長遠減碳作出貢獻。此外，約章簽署機構將獲邀參加協會主辦的工作坊同活動，與其他簽署企業和機構一齊學習，分享彼此見解同經驗，更可借助協會專業知識同機會，參與其他約章相關項目，例如Power Up Coalition、破披露計劃、香港國際機場減碳技能提升計劃等。

公關姊妹話，《BEC零碳約章》為全年可加入嘅恒常計劃，協會亦好歡迎唔同企業和機構簽署約章，一齊展開減碳之旅，邁向淨零排放。



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BEC零碳約章 首批60企業簽署

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BEC Net-zero Carbon Charter:

Access to support programmes and BEC expertise



Carbon Disclosure Programme

The [Carbon Disclosure Programme](#), in partnership with CDP and with support from HSBC, has been launched in 2022 to support signatories to participate in climate-related disclosure



Power Up Coalition

In 2021, BEC and Gammon Construction Limited co-launched the [Power Up Coalition](#) to encourage the timely electrification of non-public works in Hong Kong and to promote zero-emission construction sites.



HKIA Carbon Capacity Building Programme

Commissioned by Airport Authority Hong Kong (AAHK), BEC has developed a comprehensive 3-year [Carbon Capacity Building Programme](#) for Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA)



Swire Properties – Green Performance Pledge ("GPP") Academy

BEC conducted a series of pre-programme surveys and interviews to understand GPP tenants' training needs and sustainability goals, and used the results to design quarterly capacity building events for the GPP Academy. These events include seminars, building tours and workshops, with the aim of enhancing tenants' sustainability capabilities.



Global Connect Initiative

Through international engagement with We Mean Business Coalition, BEC connects local business leaders and their international corporate peers to enhance learning on best practices tackling climate change through the [Global Connect Initiative](#).



BEC's Technical Expertise

- **Environmental Management** team at BEC helps businesses identify and manage their eco-footprint, and provides strategic advice for achieving environmental excellence
- **Green Building** team assists in topics related retrofit and adaptive reuse.
- **BEC Institute of Environmental Education** organises capacity building programmes that aims at building up the competence of wider community for a sustainable future.
- **ESG Strategy** team helps the business community manage risks, embrace opportunities, enhance growth, build trust and create value.

BEC Net-zero Carbon Charter: Participation Categories

	Action Signatory (Category 1)	→	Science-aligned Signatory (Category 2)
Emission Reduction Targets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently with emission reduction targets fulfilling SMART* criteria, or developing targets in 1 year upon signing the Charter; and With the ambition to join the Science-aligned Signatory, preferably in 3 - 5 years' time. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently with near-term emission reduction targets following 1.5°C aligned science-based pathway, or developing targets in 2 years upon signing the Charter; and With the ambition to further develop net-zero targets based on recognised standards
Target Timeframe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Target date no later than 2030 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Target date in 5-10 years, no later than 2035
Emission Reduction Ambition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Starting to reduce emissions in value chain with a clear target 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Signatories should demonstrate significant emission reduction in value chain by aligning their near-term targets with recognised standards**, to support international call for halving global emissions by 2030.
Scope Coverage on targets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mandatory Scope 1 and 2; and Optional Scope 3 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mandatory Scope 1 and 2 Recommended 67% of Scope 3 if Scope 3 emissions > 40% of total emissions Optional Scope 3 for SMEs with <500 employees
Obligation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disclosing emission reduction progress annually to BEC 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disclosing emission reduction progress annually to BEC; and Reviewing and updating near-term targets at least every 5 years to get closer to net zero
Delisting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Failing to disclose emission reduction progress to BEC for consecutive years; or Failing to develop SMART targets during the requested period 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Failing to disclose annual emission reduction progress to BEC for consecutive years; or Failing to develop near-term targets during the requested period
Re-joining	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 year after delisting 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 year after delisting

* SMART Targets stands for targets that are specific, measurable, attainable, relevant and time bound, as also illustrated in [HKEX's Practical Net-Zero Guide for Business](#) (p.19)

** For example: Near-term targets of Science Based Target initiative; Interim targets of ISO Net Zero Guidelines; Interim target of Hong Kong's Climate Action Plan 2050; UN Emissions Gap Report 2022.

BEC Net-zero Carbon Charter: Becoming Signatories

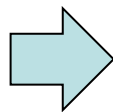
Commitment

Review

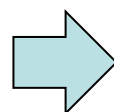
Performance Tracking

Best practices sharing

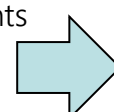
Our company / organisation would like to commit to either categories of **Action Signatory** or **Science-aligned Signatory**



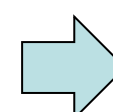
Fill in the application form with basic information and attach the sustainability related content (e.g. targets and action plans etc) as proof of the commitment.



BEC to review the form & documents and inform counterpart for confirmation.



In Q3 of each reporting year, BEC to collect climate-related information from company to track progress on commitment and actions via designated form (or CDP platform for those that are using)



Q4 of each year, BEC to release progress report and share the best practices collected from signatories with wider audience via event-based dissemination.

- The recruitment of the Charter will be open throughout the year, and e-form, <https://forms.office.com/r/SqRVeDfhfA>, is used for interested party to fill in their application accordingly. The e-form allows companies and organisations to submit sustainability related content (e.g. targets and action plans etc.) as supporting documents to reflect their climate ambition.
- To ensure credibility, the reply slip needs to be duly stamped. Electronic copies should be uploaded to BEC as archive.
- BEC will review and confirm the application form from companies and organisations. They are requested to share their sustainability related content (e.g. targets and action plans etc) alongside with the application or within the target setting requested period after joining the charter as a proof of commitment.

BEC Net-zero Carbon Charter: Regular activities

You are invited:



Awarding
sessions –
Three times /
year

To join certificate awarding session for signatories. The updates of new awardees will be shared in existing BEC communication channel(s) with proper acknowledgement.



Capacity
building
programmes
Two times /
year

To participate in capacity building programmes focusing on climate targets, commitments & actions e.g., Carbon Auditing and Scope 3 emission mapping.



Charter-
supported
project

To participate into the Charter-supported project that suit operational need.



Best practices
sharing
session – One
time / year

To attend and learn best practices from Charter signatories, and further accelerate climate actions.

BEC Net-zero Carbon Charter: Important time points of each year

The Charter admits new signatories throughout the year

We need your support on:



Q3 – Progress reporting

- BEC will collect information from signatories and conduct case interview for compile a data centric progress report.

We invite you to join us for:



Q1-Q2 – Capacity Building (1)

- More focus on “why”
- Building up the competence of the signatories to commit to a more ambitious target
- Preparing signatory for more advanced commitments
- Enhancing the capacity of the signatories to meet committed targets.



Q2-Q3 – Capacity Building (2)

- More focus on “how”
- Building up the competence of signatories to achieve science-aligned target
- Assisting signatories to leverage the opportunities from the commitments.

We would like to share with you on:



Q4 – Progress Report

- Progress report will be released at the end of each year for good practice sharing.



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Supporting Organisations (in alphabetical order)



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China Real Estate Chamber of Commerce Hong Kong and International Chapter Limited



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