



BEC E-NEWSLETTER

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BEC SPRING DINNER

To celebrate the arrival of the Year of the Pig, more than 100 like-minded BEC members and industry leaders attended the **BEC Spring Dinner** on 21 February. The evening was filled with festive ambience and sharing of environmental subjects among the guests. We were honoured to have Mr Lam Chiu-ying, Convener of Support Group on Long-term Decarbonisation Strategy to share his interesting perspectives on decarbonisation. The Chairman and BEC board members took the opportunity to wish all guests a progressive Chinese New year and every success in the journey to sustainability.



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THE 2019-2020 BUDGET

The **2019-20 Budget** was announced on 27 February by the Financial Secretary. BEC is pleased to note the Government's plan to prepare for the inaugural issuance of the government green bond, allocate an extra HK\$1 billion funding for departments to install renewable energy facilities, enhance public electric vehicle charging infrastructure, and conduct a stakeholder consultation for electronic road pricing. These initiatives are in line with BEC's recommendations set out in our policy submissions for the 2018 Policy Address and the 2019-20 Budget.

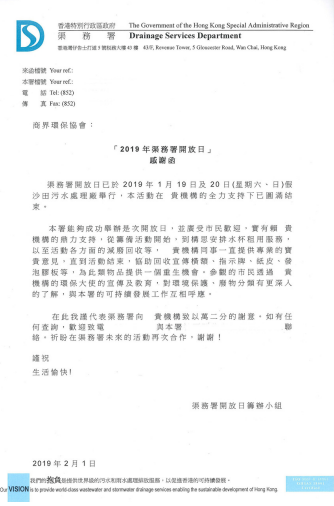
BEC, however, would also like to stress on the importance of providing financial resources to further improve buildings energy efficiency, support waste management and extended producer responsibility, and galvanise business climate action, which is missing in the Budget.

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THANK YOU FOR DRAINAGE SERVICE DEPARTMENT'S SUPPORT

Advisory service on waste reduction and recycling is one area of BEC's expertise. Recently, BEC provided consultation to the Drainage Services Department (DSD) Open Day and put forward green measures such as reusable cup rental and deploying Green Ambassadors at the event to encourage recycling and waste reduction. Our quality work has been acknowledged by the DSD.

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BEC MEMBERS CORNER



BEC Council Member **Airport Authority Hong Kong (AAHK)** held the third Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA) Carbon Management

Senior Executive Roundtable Luncheon in November 2018 with 50 airport community business partners sharing their latest carbon reduction initiatives. Keynote speaker Professor Christine Loh outlined the opportunities and challenges for corporations to move into a low carbon operation and encouraged them to start incorporating long-term carbon reduction into their business strategies. In 2017, the airport's carbon intensity was reduced by 5.7% relative to 2015 levels, putting the airport community well on track to achieve the target of 10% by 2020. Stay tuned for the HKIA Carbon Reduction Award Publication featuring the 24 winning projects from 13 business partners.

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BEC Council Member **CLP Power** has launched a citywide programme Power

Connect in 2019 to encourage residential customers to save energy throughout the year. Under the programme, participants may choose the disadvantaged group they want to support. Around 40,000 households in need each year, including single elderly or elderly couple, low income families, the disabled and subdivided unit households, will receive a subsidy of HK\$500 to alleviate their electricity expenses. The programme will also provide subsidies for the landlords of subdivided units for the rewiring work needed for the installation of individual electricity meters.

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BEC Council Member **Towngas** was ranked first in the fourth Hong Kong

Business Sustainability Index (HKBSI) by The Chinese University of Hong Kong Business School's Centre for Business Sustainability. It is also the first company to score above 90 points and reach the top level of "Exemplar", which underscores its efforts in business sustainability and corporate social responsibility (CSR), as well as its commitment to responding to stakeholders' demands and expectations with a view to attaining sustainable corporate and community development.

Going forward, Towngas will continue to incorporate the goal of long-term sustainable development into its business strategies and management practices, and work towards realising the group's vision in CSR.

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BEC Council Member **Sino Land Company Limited** announced its first green

loan, Sino Land Green Loan 2018, has received Pre-Issuance Stage Green Finance Certification by Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency. The Company has also unveiled its Green Finance Framework to guide the financing of projects and building enhancements that will deliver environmental benefits in line with the company's sustainability vision. Identified areas include improving energy and water efficiency, sustainable waste management, clean transport and climate change resilience.

These latest sustainability efforts are reaffirmations of the group's commitment to sustainable development in addition to adding long-term value to stakeholders. They have also put the company in the league of global players seeking socially responsible investment alternatives.

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Allied Sustainability and Environmental Consultants Group Limited, the holding company of BEC Corporate Member **Allied Environmental Consultants Limited**, received the Best in ESG - GEM and Best in Reporting - GEM awards as well as the Certificate of Merit in the ESG Report of the Year (Newly Listed Companies) in recognition of its latest Environmental, Social and Governance Report at the BDO ESG Awards 2019 Presentation Dinner, which was organised by BDO and co-organised by South China Morning Post held in February. The report highlights the Group's activities to create sustainability values and enhance livelihood through integrating sustainability in action, nourishing employee wellbeing and participating in industry and community events.

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BEC Corporate Member **Hong Kong Air Cargo Terminals Limited (Hactl)** marked the latest

phase in its long-running "Green Terminal" environmental programme with an event entitled "Don't Wait Act Now" that included a show of upcycled fashion modelled by Hactl staff. The event was designed to instill a sense of urgency over the need to take steps to reduce society's collective environmental impact and illustrated how every individual could make a worthwhile contribution. The highlight of the event was a parade of upcycled fashion created by a local fashion designer. The evening also featured an interactive display, environmentally-themed games and a video about the production and installation of Hactl's new communal water dispensers.

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The sustainability strategies of BEC Corporate Member **Intertek Hong Kong** aim to minimise the impact of operations on the environment while also assisting customers to implement sustainable practices with bespoke sustainability solutions. The company recently produced a video interviewing the children of their staff. Themed "Born to Make the World Ever Better", children and families were encouraged to think about their own environmental behaviour and make small changes that would collectively make a big difference. "I hope that everyone can pay more attention to the consumption of seafood, and yes, say no to plastic" said Hailey, aged 11 from Intertek's young generation.

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BEC Corporate Member **NWS Holdings** continues to engage members of the general public over geoconservation, health and wellness through a series of activities under its flagship community programme, NWS Hong Kong Geo Wonders Hike. The pillar event NWS Geo Hero Run attracted over 1,500 runners with the presence of the Secretary for the Environment Mr Wong Kam-sing as one of the officiating guests in December 2018, followed by four public guided tours with beach or trail cleaning activities to Lung Kwu Tan, Tai O and Ma Shi Chau held in January 2019.

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BEC General Member **Hong Kong EV Power Limited (EV Power)** recently completed the largest public electric vehicle (EV) charging station design-and-build project in Hong Kong. This station is situated at Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Port Car Park and has been launched for public use since October 2018.

In this project, 89 units of 7kW EV medium chargers and 2 units of 50kW EV quick chargers have been set up and connected with the Central Management System in which APIs have been built for future smart city applications.

As an EV charging provider in Hong Kong, EV Power continuously provides various electric vehicle charging solutions aiming at promotion of the wider use of EVs in Hong Kong.

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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 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.

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 PAST EVENTS

BEC Leadership Networking Series: Interior Design - Beyond Green, Go WELL!

BEC organised a seminar entitled “Beyond Green! Go WELL” on 19 February in response to the accelerating attention on Wellness Design highlighting the creation of a healthy environment whilst protecting the planet. Prof Stephen Tang, the former Deputy Director of Architectural Services and the Principal Consultant of Steve Leung Design Group Ltd together with Ms Samantha Allen, Director of Market Development for IWBI Asia shared their insights into pursuing and achieving Wellness Design, and their integration of sustainability practices. This insightful seminar attracted over 90 industry practitioners.



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BEC Student Tour to T- Park



Sponsored by BEC Corporate Member Konica Minolta, BEC organised a student tour to T · PARK on 23 February and provided an opportunity for primary school students from low income families, and volunteers of Konica Minolta to learn about turning urban waste to energy. The group visited this unique self-sustained facility where sewage sludge is used as fuel by advanced technology and realised the importance of environmental protection.

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BEC VISITORS

Please join us in welcoming visitors to BEC Building:

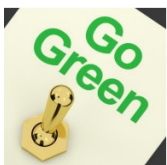


• European Union Office to Hong Kong and Macao



• Vocational Training Council (VTC)

BEC INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION (IEE) TRAINING COURSES



ISO 14001:2015 Internal Auditing



28 & 29 March

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BEC UPCOMING EVENTS

BEC Rooftop Farm Launch Ceremony & Open Day



1 March (Industry Day) &
2 March (Open Day - Full House)



In collaboration with social enterprise Rooftop Republic Urban Farming, BEC will offer venues and the rooftop of our building as a training centre as well as the starting point of urban farming education in Hong Kong, to raise the next generation of urban farmers to meet the needs in future. To kick off the urban farming training programme, on 1 March, BEC and Rooftop Republic will co-host a launch event with an industry-focused day featuring an urban farming panel discussion, guest presentations and rooftop farm plus BEC Building green feature tours. On 2 March, we will also welcome members of the public to attend the family-friendly Open Day – a sold out event, with urban farm tours and interactive workshops!

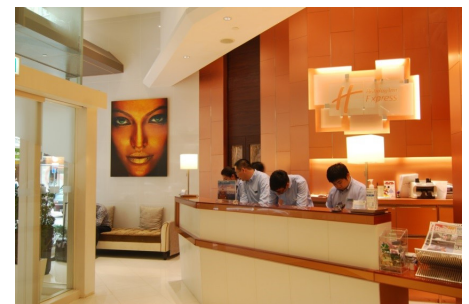
[Click HERE for registration - 1 March \(Industry Day\)](#)

BEC Industry Visit to Holiday Inn Express Hong Kong SoHo



26 March

Holiday Inn Express Hong Kong SoHo is the world's first high rise building (hotel) which has achieved four platinum or equivalent level green awards – Hong Kong BEAM Plus, US LEED, BCA Green Mark by The Building and Construction Authority, Singapore and Three Star of China Green Building Council. By visiting this site, participants will learn more about the innovative construction and energy optimisation technologies applied at the hotel, including the 4-day fast track construction cycle, 5D Building Information Modeling, 22 energy efficient hardware and 8 software co-developed by specialised experts in various aspects.



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BEC SUPPORTED EVENTS

- **Sustainable Development Goals Junior Ambassador 2019** | JCI Hong Kong Jayceettes | 10 March - mid of July 2019
- **Turn MSW into Profit: Novel Recycling and Biodegradable Technologies to Develop High Value Products and Reduce Landfill Burden** | NAMI | 27 March 2019
- **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
- **RICS Awards Hong Kong 2019 | Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors** | October 2018 - March 2019
- **The 5th BEAM Plus New Buildings Training and Examination** | BEAM Society Limited | 26 March 2019
- **Environmental Innovation: Opportunities and Challenges in Hong Kong** | The HKIE Environmental Division Annual Forum | 30 April 2019
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- **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

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