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BEC E-NEWSLETTER

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ECO EXPO ASIA/ECO ASIA CONFERENCE

BEC is pleased to be one of the exhibitors in **Eco Expo Asia 2019**, which took place in AsiaWorld-Expo from 30 October to 2 November. Alongside 25 BEC member exhibits in the Expo, BEC also hosted a booth to introduce our core values, membership base and the three new environmental focus areas of work – Climate Change, Circular Economy, and Sustainable Living Environment. During the Expo, BEC co-organised **Eco Asia Conference - "Waste to Resources - Waste to Energy"**, which was attended by over 160 participants and moderated by BEC's Director – Development Mr C.W. Cheung. The Conference provided a platform for industry experts and business leaders to share their insights into resource management and circular economy in Hong Kong.

Special Offers for BEC Auditorium and Exhibition Hall



BEC is proud to present to you a video introducing various green features of our newly-renovated Auditorium and Exhibition Hall, which were officially re-opened in September. To celebrate the re-opening and the festive season, BEC is now offering all members a **special discount** for booking of this venue of up to 50% till 14 February 2020! For the first time, we also offer a trial discount for non-members in this promotional offer. For more details, please contact our Events Team (T. 2784 3958 | E. venue@bec.org.hk).

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BEC MEMBERS CORNER



In the process of gas pipelines works, scrap PE pipes and fittings are generated. BEC Council Member **The Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited (Towngas)** upcycled these waste materials to create “Waste-to-Treasure Solar Powered Hydroponics Systems”, and donated them to 12 primary and secondary schools for scientific investigation.

To cultivate the interest in STEM and foster environmental awareness among our next generation, Towngas organised the “Towngas Inter-School Environmental Scientific Investigation Competition”. Over 60 students of this competition were presented on stage to judges and members of the public at Eco Expo Asia 2019 on 2 November. Winners of the competition demonstrated their outstanding data analysis and problem-solving skills, as well as creativity and environmental awareness.

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BEC Corporate Member **Fung Group** has joined forces with leading global companies to sign the Fashion Pact. The pact is a response to the call for action from the fashion industry by President of France, Emmanuel Macron, at the G7 Summit in August. Signatory companies pledged to adopt key goals for addressing climate change, enhancing biodiversity and protecting the ocean. Fung Group is one of the initial signatories and, as of October, a total of 56 companies have joined the coalition, representing around 250 brands globally. LF Logistics, one of the business units under Fung Group, has recently signed a pledge prohibiting the use of Arctic routes for shipping products from Asia. Although LF Logistics does not currently use Arctic routes, this initiative closely aligns with the group’s commitment to contributing to the protection of the planet.

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Delighting You Always

Environmental protection and waste reduction are crucial aspects in achieving sustainability. As an environmentally conscious organisation, BEC Corporate Member **Canon Hongkong Company Limited (CHK)** envisions a sustainable future and advocates a greener way in its business operations. For instance, CHK has run “Ink Cartridge Recycling Programme” and invited the local famous cartoon character “McDull” as the programme’s ambassador since 2009. As of August 2019, over 206,000 pieces of empty ink cartridges have been collected from over 295 collection points, with over 4.9 tons of plastics recycled through this programme. This has led to a reduction of over 7.5 tons of CO2 emission, which will require 317 trees to absorb for a year.

In order to enhance awareness among students, CHK also extended the Ink Cartridge Recycling Programme to education sectors and organised “Canon x McDull Inter-school Ink Cartridge Recycling Competition” to encourage active participation from schools. The programme is now open for enrolment and schools are invited to join this meaningful programme while competing for fabulous prizes.

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GROSVENOR

BEC Corporate Member **Grosvenor Group**, a signatory of the BEC Low Carbon Charter, has committed to achieving net zero carbon operational emissions in all its directly-managed buildings globally by 2030, and to working towards all buildings, directly and indirectly-managed, being embodied and operational net zero across its portfolio by 2050.

To achieve these targets, Grosvenor Group will need to eliminate carbon emissions under its control and sustainably design, construct, operate and invest in net zero-ready buildings. The Group will advocate and work towards the same goals with third parties and tackle embodied carbon, while enabling occupiers to reduce or eradicate carbon emissions from their own operations.

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BEC Corporate Member **Intertek** strives to bring quality, safety and sustainability to life. The group is encouraging their customers to learn how businesses can benefit by reducing the use of non-recyclable plastics and materials during their manufacturing processes and provide them with their latest Total Sustainability Assurance (TSA) solutions. Recently, Intertek was invited by HKTDC to speak about ways and importance to select and source sustainable materials at the Hong Kong International Optical Fair.

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Alaya Consulting
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Building Trust Through Narrative

BEC General Member **Alaya Consulting** announced on 4 November that it has committed to set 1.5°C science-based emissions reduction targets aligned with a net-zero future, responding to what the latest climate science indicates is needed to limit the worst impacts of climate change. Tony Wong, Founder of Alaya Consulting, stated "As a facilitator of business sustainability, we aim to lead by example, not only we have become the first ESG consultancy in Asia to receive the approval from the Science-based Target Initiative on our carbon reduction target, but also are committed to achieving net-zero emissions no later than 2050."

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At the Eco Expo Asia, BEC General Member **Artech Graphics Ltd** through its sub-brand showcased the Eco Décor Solution by making all displays and decorations completely from eco paper and cardboard. Moreover, Artech's solution was selected by exhibitors that echoed the Government-advocates green practices in using sustainable material for exhibition booth decorations and displays at the show this year.

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BEC General Member **Cornerstone EV Charging Service Limited (CST)** participated in the Eco Asia Conference ("Conference") and Green Transportation Forum ("Forum") that welcomed over 100 environmental industry experts at the Eco Expo. At the Conference, under the hot topic "Waste to Resource, Waste to Energy", leading industry representatives discussed the effectiveness of resource management and circular economy in Hong Kong. By echoing the theme of Eco Expo this year "Less Carbon, Less Waste", CST shared their insights at the Forum about new EV charging facility that caters for the design and management of modern carparks. CST also set up a booth exhibition to raise public awareness of low-carbon and waste-free living.

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BEC General Member **EnviroEvents Hong Kong** has launched ReThink 2020, an event for professionals who are driven by, or challenged with, sustainability goals for their organisation. The 2020 event is focused on one of the most crucial questions for companies: How can we help businesses in Hong Kong accelerate change towards a more sustainable future?

The event will be held on 23 & 24 June 2020, at K11 ATELIER, King's Road. The organiser will donate all delegate fees to a beneficiary fund in support of two non-profits – offering all sustainability professionals, their colleagues, clients and suppliers with a high-value two-day event that unites the value chain, facilitates collaboration and showcases innovation with the aim of moving sustainability to the core of future strategy.

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BEC PAST EVENTS

Hactl Green Week 2019



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BEC is pleased to be the co-organiser of Hactl Green Week 2019 hosted by our Corporate Member Hactl from 4 to 8 November. As the Guest of Honour, **BEC's Chief Executive Officer Mr Adam Koo** officiated at the opening ceremony on 4 November. Under the theme of "Green, is a journey", Hactl Green Week 2019 aimed to promote sustainability and increase social awareness of environmental protection. BEC staff ran a booth to introduce the concept of turning waste into resources. On 6 November, BEC organised "**Industry Visit to Hactl Green Week 2019**". The participants had a guided tour featuring Hactl's solar farm, water spot and EV charging facility, and the opportunity to visit the environmentally themed booths including that of BEC.

Policy Dialogue Series



BEC organised Policy Dialogue Series in our new Auditorium on 5 November. **Mr C.W. Tse, Under Secretary for the Environment**, was invited to provide a first-hand update of the new policies and initiatives related to environmental protection and sustainable development in the latest CE Policy Address. Mr Tse shared the Government's major, new policy initiatives on air quality, waste management, nature conservation, climate change and energy, and water quality. An open dialogue with BEC Board of Directors, business leaders and other participants to exchange their views was held following the presentation.

BEC UPCOMING EVENTS

Breakfast Seminar – "Creating a Smarter, Sustainable City" 3 December



BEC is pleased to co-organise a breakfast seminar themed "**Creating a Smarter, Sustainable City**" with the Consulate General of Finland in Hong Kong and Macao and the Finnish Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong. As part of the What's Up Finland? Finnish Week in Hong Kong, the seminar consists of keynote speeches and a panel discussion which aim to provide an insight into Finnish smart city technologies as well as Finland's expertise when it comes to sustainable solutions. Register on or before 29 November to secure your seat!

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BEC UPCOMING EVENTS

Seasonal Cocktail (BEC Members or by Invitation)

12 December



A warm invitation to our BEC members - Celebrate the festive season with our BEC friends and partners at our **Seasonal Cocktail!** The BEC team will take this opportunity to personally thank all our members and partners in the Government, business sector and the broader community, whose support has contributed greatly towards BEC's work in promoting environmental sustainability this year. Your presence will make this event special and meaningful! Mark your calendar and RSVP for our Seasonal Cocktail on 12 December!

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BEC VISITORS

The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers Environmental Division



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 Industry Visit to HKRITA

18 December



BEC is organising an industry visit to **The Hong Kong Research Institute of Textiles and Apparel Limited (HKRITA)** on 18 December. HKRITA has developed technologies to recycle old clothes into quality textile fibres to be used for re-production of various textiles and products, including yarn, fabric, and garments. The hydrothermal treatment process uses only heat, water and less than 5% of a biodegradable green chemical to achieve a recovery rate of over 98% for polyester fibres. This visit aims to promote the importance of recycling and provide insights to implementing circular economy 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 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 Peryl Tse (T. 2784 3912 | E. peryltse@bec.org.hk) for submissions and enquiries.

BEC INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION (IEE) TRAINING COURSES

**Intensive Training on Indoor Mould
Inspection and Management
(5th Intake)**



10 December

**Urban Farm Planning & Management
for Professionals
(Property & Facilities Management Sector)**



20 January 2020

**ISO 14001:2015 Internal Auditing
(5th Intake)**



20 & 21 January 2020

**Intensive Training on Indoor Mould
Inspection and Management
(6th Intake)**



23 January 2020

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Your Feedback Matters - BEC IEE Survey

For us to keep improving our environmental education programmes, it would be grateful if you could spare a few minutes to fill out this online survey. As a token of gratitude, we will offer a **one-off 5% discount** on selected BEC IEE courses (co-organised courses are excluded). Thank you for your support. For enquiries, please contact us at T. 2784 3937 | E. beciee@bec.org.hk

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BEC SUPPORTED EVENTS

- **Rooftop Republic Academy Fall 2019 Programme** | Rooftop Republic | 7 September – 14 December 2019
- **Seminar on Renewable Energy For Hong Kong and Training Course for Certified Professionals for Grid Connected Renewable Energy Power Generation Systems** | Green Council | 7,14,16,21,28 November & 5 December 2019
- **SwedTalk – Designing a Sustainable Future** | Swedish Consulate General in Hong Kong, Business Sweden, Swedish Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong | 5 December 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
- **2019 Bi-City Biennale of Urbanism and Architecture (Hong Kong) (UABBHK2019)** | The Hong Kong Institute of Architects Biennale Foundation | December 2019 to March 2020
- **HKIBIM 10th Anniversary Conference** | The Hong Kong Institute of Building Information Modelling | 9 January 2020
- **Symposium on Smart City Development** | BEAM Society Limited | Q1 2020

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