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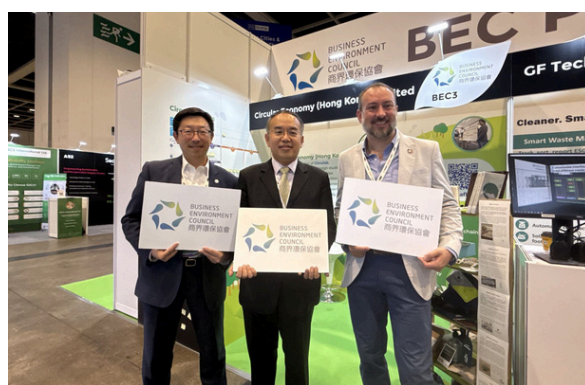
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## RETHINK HK 2025

BEC was pleased to be the exclusive co-organiser of ReThink HK 2025, held on 11-12 September at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre. Marking our fifth consecutive year of partnership, this year's event once again brought together sustainability leaders to drive impactful conversations and solutions.

As part of the event, BEC hosted BEC Climate and Nature Theatre, featuring two days of insightful discussions and knowledge sharing. On Day 1, the programme focused on "Climate, Nature and Accelerating Corporate Action", exploring how businesses can accelerate climate and nature integration through corporate strategies, technology and partnerships.



Our Day 2 programme shifted focus with the theme “The Future is Blue and Green: Solutions & Opportunities”, turning discussions into actionable solutions for the blue and green economies. Key topics included nature financing, TNFD reporting frameworks, and scalable marine solutions. The sessions also examined how climate tech can strengthen ecological and economic resilience across various sectors, merging global perspectives with Hong Kong’s local context.

An interactive workshop was also held, where participants explored the intersection of climate science and supply chain operations. Through hands-on activities and discussions, attendees addressed critical areas such as water management, waste reduction, and biodiversity preservation.

BEC Chairman Mr Kevin O’Brien and CEO Mr Simon Ng joined the VIP tour, visiting booths to learn about the sustainability initiatives and future strategies of participating companies. A key highlight was BEC Pavilion, where delegates engaged with BEC Members showcasing cutting-edge products and services. Their innovation and leadership continue to shape Hong Kong’s journey towards a net-zero future.



## Headline No. 1 Environmental Excellence Award

BEC is delighted to have garnered the “No. 1 Environmental Excellence Award” at “Headline No.1 Awards” for the fourth consecutive year, in recognition of our achievements and contributions in promoting environmental excellence and sustainability in Hong Kong. BEC Assistant Director – Communications Ms Maggie Lam attended the award presentation ceremony on 29 August to receive the award.



## BEC Volunteer Team Participates in “Knot-making Fun Workshop”

Supported by our portal partner Time Auction, BEC Volunteer Team participated in the “Knot-making Fun Workshop” hosted by Food Grace under Community Leap Limited on 2 September. During the activity, participants learned knot-making techniques and handcrafted unique ornaments for the service beneficiaries, bringing joy to the needy groups. As we approach the first anniversary of BEC Volunteer Team, we look forward to continuing our efforts to support the community through meaningful initiatives!





## BEC Technical Visit: The Henderson – A City Icon Reimagined



On 5 September, led by our CEO Mr Simon Ng, BEC successfully hosted the BEC Technical Visit: The Henderson – A City Icon Reimagined. Mr Kevin Ng, Senior Deputy General Manager of Project Management (2) Department at Henderson Land Development Company Limited, shared how the innovative building was designed to support sustainability throughout its operations, including energy-efficient climate control and real-time weather monitoring to precisely calibrate interior systems. Following this, Mr Randy Yu, General Manager (Community Relations) at Henderson, guided participants through the green spaces of the building such as Sky Garden, the green wall and the extensive pedestrian walkway system nearby. Attendees also had the opportunity to tour Cloud 39, The Henderson's rooftop ballroom, which offers breathtaking skyline views of Hong Kong for premier world-class events.

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## BEC CEO Dialogue: Strategies for Social and Environmental Sustainability in Building Community Resilience



The latest BEC CEO Dialogue themed “Strategies for Social and Environmental Sustainability in Building Community Resilience”, also a partner event of the Hong Kong Green Week, was successfully held on 9 September. We were honoured to welcome Mr Lawrence Lam, Chief Executive Officer of Prudential Hong Kong, as our guest speaker. He joined BEC CEO Mr Simon Ng for an insightful exchange on strategies for driving sustainability in the insurance industry and strengthening community resilience in Hong Kong and beyond.

Mr Lam highlighted Prudential's best practices for navigating climate-related risks, and emphasised the industry's role in fostering resilience through responsible investment and inclusive community engagement. The discussion also underscored the importance of integrating sustainability into core business practices to tackle environmental and social challenges, while supporting Hong Kong's transition towards a sustainable future.

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## Green Performance Pledge Workshop at ReThink 2025 – Beyond Carbon: Exploring the Water Cycle, Water-Climate Nexus and Hidden Water Footprints in Sustainability



As part of the Green Performance Pledge (“GPP”) Academy programme, an engaging workshop at ReThink 2025 brought together 32 participants from 23 companies to highlight the critical yet often overlooked role of water in sustainability. Swire Properties’ GPP drives joint action towards shared goals, with this session placed “water” at the centre of the conversation, showing its deep connections with climate, ecosystems, and biodiversity.

Facilitated by Joyce Wong, Founder of Better Futures, and Basel Kirmani, Managing Director of Turquoise Sustainability, the workshop created a lively and interactive setting. It began with a light skit and introductions, followed by a quiz to guide participants in reflecting their understanding on Hong Kong’s water tariffs, consumption and management. Participants also explored the concept of the water footprint, including invisible water use embedded in food, transport, and technology. A creative game on the natural water cycle then brought to life the flows between oceans, rivers, soil, plants, and people. The exercise highlighted how water sustains biodiversity and human communities, and how climate change is disrupting these delicate balances. The collaborative activities encouraged meaningful conversations about the local and global realities of water insecurity.

The workshop motivated participants to develop deeper appreciation of water as a cornerstone of sustainable living. They reflected on practical actions, from reducing their personal water footprints to promoting water-savvy choices in daily life and supporting resilient policies. The workshop inspired ideas for partnerships that integrate responsible water management into long-term strategies, and ultimately underscored that water is not only an environmental concern but a foundation of sustainability. Stay tuned for more updates on the upcoming GPP Academy workshops!





## BEC IN THE SPOTLIGHT

### Radio Interview with BEC CEO by RTHK “Teens for Green”

BEC CEO Mr Simon Ng was featured in [RTHK's radio programme “Teens for Green”](#) on 5 September to share insights on the landscape of green fuels in Hong Kong and the Government's plans to promote maritime decarbonisation.



### BEC CEO Dialogue: Strategies for Social and Environmental Sustainability in Building Community Resilience

The latest BEC CEO Dialogue, themed “Strategies for Social and Environmental Sustainability in Building Community Resilience”, held on 9 September garnered six pieces of coverage in [AM730](#), [Headline Daily](#), [Sing Tao Daily](#) and [Sky Post](#) in September.

### BEC Opinion Article on *Capital HK*

An opinion article on the importance of Producer Responsibility Schemes written by BEC CEO Mr Simon Ng was published on [Capital HK](#) on 1 September.

### BEC Opinion Article on *Master Insight*

An opinion article on promoting decarbonisation in schools written by BEC Director – Operations Ir C. F. Leung was published on [Master Insight](#) on 16 September.



## RECENT PUBLICATION

### BEC Carbon Disclosure Programme Impact and Learning Report

We are pleased to announce the publication of BEC Carbon Disclosure Programme Impact and Learning Report, marking the completion of the Programme. Our sincere gratitude to HSBC for their invaluable support throughout this initiative. This comprehensive report reflects on the insights and outcomes from a transformative three-year journey, launched in 2022 in partnership with CDP and supported by HSBC.

The report evaluates the performance of Programme participants from 2022 to 2024, with a focus on their climate disclosure journey. Through analysing trends, challenges, and milestones, it highlights the efforts of Programme participants and how the Programme fosters climate transparency and action among Hong Kong businesses.

This report serves as a good reference and important milestone to inspire greater climate disclosure and action, especially among SMEs, to drive impactful progress towards Hong Kong's carbon neutrality goal by 2050.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### BEC Leadership Networking Series: Capitalising on AI to Drive Sustainability

**20 October**

Join us on Monday 20 October for the upcoming BEC Leadership Networking Series, with the theme of “Capitalising on AI to Drive Sustainability”. This event will bring together industry leaders and experts to explore the transformative power of Artificial Intelligence (“AI”) in promoting sustainable practices.

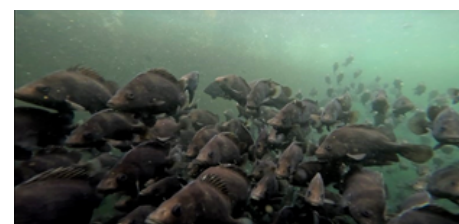
As companies and organisations are facing unprecedented environmental challenges, speakers will delve into innovative AI-driven solutions that can enhance operational efficiency, reduce carbon footprints, and contribute to a net-zero economy. Don't miss this opportunity to connect with like-minded professionals and be inspired to harness innovative tools for a more sustainable future.

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### Council Members

**Airport Authority Hong Kong (“AAHK”)** has granted over HK\$16 million to 16 projects in FY2025/26, under its independent Marine Ecology Enhancement Fund (“MEEF”) and Fisheries Enhancement Fund (“FEF”). Managed and run by universities, research organisations and associations from the fisheries industry, the funded projects will support efforts such as tracking the potential distribution of the critically endangered Chinese Bahaba in Hong Kong western waters, analysing fishery landscapes and population health of a depleted seascape, and enhancing the local fishery resources through scientific release and breeding of fish fry. AAHK's MEEF and FEF aim to enhance marine environment and fisheries resources, having granted approximately HK\$112 million to projects since their establishment in 2016.



Want to share your company's latest green news with over 6,000 BEC e-Newsletter subscribers from various industries? BEC Council, Corporate and General Members are welcomed to submit their recent environmental and sustainability accomplishments to us. Selected submissions will be published in the upcoming edition of BEC's e-Newsletter completely free-of-charge. Please contact **Ms Vanessa Choi** (E. [vanessachoi@bec.org.hk](mailto:vanessachoi@bec.org.hk)) for enquiries.

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**CLP** has pledged its full support for the 15<sup>th</sup> National Games, the 12<sup>th</sup> National Games for Persons with Disabilities, and the 9<sup>th</sup> National Special Olympic Games (Hong Kong) to be held in November and December. CLP will enable the use of zero-carbon electricity across all competition and operation venues in Hong Kong through the purchase of Renewable Energy Certificates. It will also provide Battery Energy Storage System units for on-site electric vehicle charging at the main media centre and beach volleyball event venue. In addition, power banks will be offered to athletes, technical officials and media personnel for portable charging. CLP will further sponsor tickets for grass-roots families and underprivileged groups, enabling them to experience the excitement of the events. CLP's volunteers will also take part in various roles during the Games to actively contribute to this national sports event.

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**Hang Lung Properties** is driving sustainable construction forward by procuring 1,200 tonnes of low carbon emissions steel, covering 95% of the reinforcing steel bars in a key tunnel of Westlake 66 project in Hangzhou. Supplied by a Chinese steel manufacturer, the steel combines renewable energy and recycled steel scrap to cut carbon emissions by 50% compared to conventional alternatives. This initiative advances the company's leadership in sustainable construction, following its earlier use of low carbon emissions steel in the Pavilion Extension of the flagship Plaza 66 in Shanghai. Altogether, the company has procured almost 2,700 tonnes of low carbon emissions steel in Shanghai and Hangzhou projects in 2024 and 2025, achieving a combined 45% emissions reduction. Hang Lung remains committed to steel decarbonisation through responsible procurement and active involvement in a real estate steel sector collaborative initiative.



**Henderson Land** partnered with fellow BEC member CLPe in enhancing sustainability at Manulife Financial Centre through a cooling solution. Riding on the success of the first partnership to launch Cooling as a Service at Flora Plaza in Fanling back in 2023, which achieved significant energy savings, the team has extended the initiative to Manulife Financial Centre, a prime Grade A office tower in East Kowloon. The solution features AI-powered platform that optimises chiller performance in real time. With more than 60% of energy efficiency improvement, it is expected to reduce energy consumption by more than 30%.



To celebrate National Ecology Day 2025, the Green Hong Kong Green programme, co-organised by **HK Electric** and a local NGO, presented a special Night Safari at Tai Tam Country Park and Lamma Island, inviting the public to explore Hong Kong's nocturnal biodiversity. Nearly 20 new arrivals joined the tour, experiencing nature's own "ecological symphony" of frogs, insects, and birds. Rare species such as the Romer's Tree Frog and Hong Kong Newt were spotted. The event helped new residents connect with nature and foster community inclusion. The theme this year, "Lucid Waters and Lush Mountains are Invaluable Assets," highlights the importance of ecological conservation and sustainable development. The programme continues to promote harmony between people and nature.

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**Orient Overseas Container Line Ltd. (“OOCL”)** was named the “Best Green Shipping Line” at the 2025 Asian Freight, Logistics and Supply Chain Awards held on 3 September in Hong Kong. The “Best Green Shipping Line” award recognises the ocean liner that outperformed its peers in several areas, such as compliance with regulations and environmental standards, investment in green initiatives, strategic planning, emissions reduction policies, and ongoing staff training. This marks the third time OOCL has received this award, demonstrating the market recognition of OOCL’s efforts and its resolute commitment to achieving environmental excellence and sustainability.

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**Shell Hong Kong** has officially launched Shell Renewable Diesel and Shell Renewable Diesel Blend R33, offering local businesses and commercial fleets new low-carbon fuel options. Shell Renewable Diesel offers up to 90% less CO<sub>2</sub>e emissions compared to EN590 B0 diesel on a life cycle basis\* and requires no modifications or additional equipment investment for heavy duty equipment. The launch of Shell Renewable Diesel Blend R33 marks a breakthrough in low-carbon mobility – containing up to 33% renewable content, meeting the EN590 standard, and offers up to 30% less CO<sub>2</sub>e emissions compared to EN590 B0 diesel on a life cycle basis\*. Shell Renewable Diesel Blend R33 will be available at Shell Tsing Yi retail station starting from October, supporting decarbonisation without compromising performance or requiring engine modifications.

\*For full disclaimer, please refer to Shell Renewable Diesel webpage.

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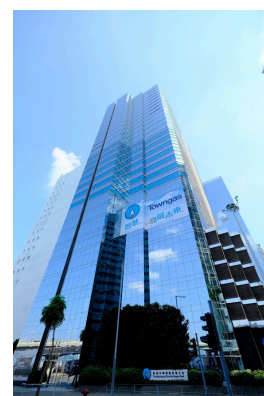
**Swire Properties** has entered a landmark collaboration with a global luxury group through the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding. The landlord-tenant partnership focuses on sustainable store design, ESG data sharing and operational environmental performance improvements across all existing and upcoming stores of the group within Swire Properties’ retail developments in the Chinese Mainland and Hong Kong. The group and its portfolio of luxury houses will join Swire Properties’ Green Retail Partnership. Technical guidelines will be provided for new stores to implement sustainable fit-outs and design features. Both companies will work together to enhance data monitoring capabilities and improve environmental performance.

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**Towngas** and its subsidiary focused on smart energy have received significant ESG rating upgrades in the Hang Seng Corporate Sustainability Index. Towngas has advanced from AA+ to the top-tier AAA, achieving the best overall score among Hong Kong utilities industry constituents and reinforcing its industry leadership. In recent years, the group is actively pioneering green energy solutions, including green methanol, hydrogen, and sustainable aviation fuel for sea, land, and air transport, accelerating the city’s transition to green transport. Committed to a greener future, Towngas is intensifying its focus on renewable energy and low-carbon technologies to drive innovation and sustainability.

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## Corporate Members

**AECOM** made its return to ReThink for the third consecutive year. The company's multidisciplinary team of designers, ecologists, economists and engineers connected with Hong Kong's sustainability-focused leaders through exclusive one-on-one ESG advisory sessions and conference presentations. The team shared insights on climate risk management, whole-life carbon strategies, nature-positive design, and resilient infrastructure. They also explored the evolving climate and nature policy landscape, as well as emerging green opportunities in the low-altitude economy. AECOM continues to collaborate with partners to build resilient, climate-ready, and liveable cities.

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**CLPe** and fellow BEC Member Kai Shing Management Services ("Kai Shing") signed a Memorandum of Understanding on 4 September to transform ICC into a smart energy management flagship with advanced technologies like Digital Twin and AI-powered systems. The partnership will also boost climate resilience and reliability of the fixed electrical installations and cooling systems for older buildings through enhanced routine inspections and comprehensive assessments, improving the energy efficiency, climate resilience, and sustainability of properties managed by Kai Shing.

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**Great Eagle Group** has reached a milestone in its 2030 sustainability roadmap by deploying AI to optimise operations across its Hong Kong portfolio, including Great Eagle Centre and Three Garden Road. The pilot enhanced a 7,150 RT chiller plant across 1.6 million square feet, delivering 6.1% energy savings (435,000 kWh annually), reducing 287,000 kg of carbon emissions, and achieving full payback within six months. The initiative sets a benchmark for scalable, smart decarbonisation in real estate.

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**HAECO** recently hosted a visit to a paper recycling facility, where staff gained valuable insights into Hong Kong's unique recycling business and the collaborative efforts behind building a more sustainable community. Inspired to take action, HAECO partnered with the facility on a week-long trial to recycle used hand paper towels in toilets, successfully diverting 160 kg of paper waste from landfills. Used hand paper towels are ideal for recycling as their brief two-second usage keeps them clean and in good condition. Beyond waste reduction, the programme raises staff awareness of paper consumption and fosters recycling habits, reinforcing HAECO's commitment to its sustainable development target of diverting 65% of waste from landfill by 2030.





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**SGS** sponsored and exhibited at ReThink HK Sustainable Business Forum & Solutions Expo again this year, engaging with mission-aligned partners and showcasing how its existing sustainability services under IMPACT NOW for sustainability, a new concept in delivering sustainability solutions, can help different industries simplify the road to sustainability. During the conferences, SGS experts shared insights on circular economy in the textile industry and carbon management in the construction sector. An SGS expert also served as the keynote speaker at fellow BEC Member the Green Earth's "Green Event Certification" Recognition Ceremony, which recognises events that uphold environmental sustainability principles. SGS remains committed to collaborating with stakeholders to embed sustainability into every action – contributing to a net-zero, nature-positive, and pollution-free future.

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**WSP** made a strong impact at ReThink HK 2025, showcasing how its cutting-edge technologies are transforming the built environment. Paul Kau, WSP's Earth & Environment Managing Director, highlighted practical solutions for tracking embodied carbon, advancing energy efficiency, and reducing carbon footprints in buildings, with a particular focus on Life Cycle Assessment. The event provided a powerful platform to share WSP's expertise and exchange ideas with industry leaders, demonstrating the company's role at the forefront of sustainable innovation and reinforcing the commitment to accelerating Hong Kong's journey towards carbon neutrality.



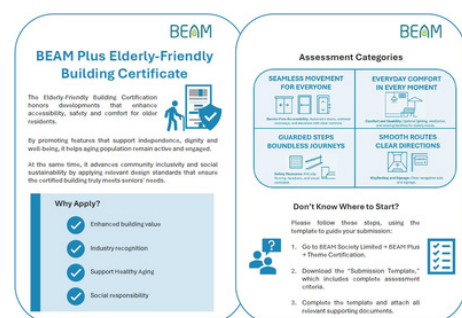
## General Members

**AS Watson's** flagship health and beauty brand, Watsons, has launched its "Sustainable Choices" initiative, offering over 11,000 products that meet criteria for better ingredients, packaging, refill ability, and clean beauty. This campaign empowers customers to make more environmentally responsible choices and reflects Watsons' commitment to sustainability and evolving consumer expectations. The initiative spans across Asian markets, including Mainland China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, the Philippines, and Turkey, aligning with global standards for sustainable retail practices.



**BEAM Society Limited ("BSL")** introduced the Elderly-Friendly Building Certification Scheme under the new Theme Certification initiative on 22 July. This new initiative establishes a flexible pathway within the BEAM Plus framework, enabling projects to pursue tailored sustainability goals that extend beyond traditional green building assessments. The Elderly-Friendly Building Certification recognises building projects that prioritise accessibility, safety, and comfort for elderly occupants. As Hong Kong's population continues to age, this certification addresses the growing need for inclusive and socially sustainable design, promoting independence, dignity, and well-being for older adults. Anchored to BEAM Plus New Buildings and Existing Buildings, the Elderly-Friendly Building Certificate offers a flexible recognition pathway without requiring full BEAM Plus certification. It is now available for registration.

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The CarbonCare Label Scheme – a new initiative from **Community Leap** and its green academy – empowers listed companies, SMEs and non-profits to strengthen resilience against climate risks and seize opportunities for sustainable growth. Supported by organisations including fellow BEC Member Deloitte China, the scheme aligns carbon reduction efforts with international standards, boosting recognition and credibility. Participants gain measurable results, media exposure, and brand value through the logo while showcasing leadership. A scheme briefing will be held on 20 October.

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The **Hong Kong Transport and Logistics Association ("HKTLA")** hosted "HKTLA Luncheon & PCS Seminar" on 22 August to advance Hong Kong's logistics and shipping sectors. Co-hosted with the Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering, Faculty of Business and the Shipping Research Centre of a local university, the event brought together industry leaders to discuss the pivotal role of a Port Community System in developing a smart, sustainable port. Experts explored how innovative technologies, including artificial intelligence and frameworks like ESG, can enhance operational efficiency and reduce the environmental footprint of the transport and logistics industry. The seminar highlighted key strategies to drive innovation and promote environmental excellence within the sector, benefiting both industry and society.



**Meiriki Japan** has been awarded the Gold Award in the Service Sector SME category at the BOCHK Corporate Low-Carbon Environmental Leadership Awards 2024. This recognition highlights its commitment to sustainability. The company's initiatives include using Net Zero Printing Product Outer box, Reducing Product Packaging, and using Sustainable Raw Materials. Meiriki Japan remains committed to contributing to achieving carbon neutrality for a greener future.



**Spare-it** concluded a successful presence at ReThink 2025, continuing its growth in Hong Kong and beyond. The company's waste intelligence support will be featured in the upcoming Rethink Impact Report. Committed to making zero waste a team sport, Spare-it recently published a testimonial with fellow BEC Member Swire Properties, showcasing how they maintain momentum and drive circularity actions that deliver real impact. The full case study video showcases how data-driven sustainability comes to life.

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**The Harbour School ("THS")** won two awards at the UNSDG Achievement Awards Hong Kong 2025, including the Individual SDG Award – Goal 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth for its student-led social enterprise project focused on sustainable apparel to support orphanages in the Philippines; and the SDG Leaders Award that recognises the organisation's commitment to advocating for greater private and public sector support for sustainability education in K-12 schools across Hong Kong. THS believes more funding should be directed towards making education the major strategy for achieving sustainable development.

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## Recently Published Sustainability Report

- Airport Authority Hong Kong



- Baker Tilly Hong Kong Limited



## WELCOME NEW BEC MEMBERS

### General Member

- Golden Leaf International (Hong Kong) Limited
- H Properties Limited
- RAAW Limited - HK Timberbank

### Affiliate Member

- HeroesToo Foundation Limited



## BEC SUPPORTED EVENTS

- **Schneider Electric Innovation Summit Hong Kong 2025** | Schneider Electric (Hong Kong) Limited | 9 Oct
- **ARCHIFY LIVE HONG KONG** | Hubexo Hong Kong Ltd. (BCI Central Ltd.) | 17 Oct
- **BEAM Society International Conference 2025** | BEAM Society Limited | 23 Oct
- **Business Sustainability Conference 2025** | Centre for Business Sustainability, CUHK | 24 Oct
- **Eco Expo Asia 2025 - Hong Kong Pavilion** | HKTDC | 28-31 Oct
- **"My Green Space" Student Competition 2024-2025** | HKGBC | Sep 2024 – Oct 2025
- **Green Building Award 2025** | Hong Kong Green Building Council, Professional Green Building Council | Now until 13 Nov
- **The HSUHK Outstanding SME ESG and Business Performance Award 2025** | The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong | Now until 28 Nov
- **Time Auction Inter-Company Volunteer Week 2025** | Time Auction | 15 Nov – 20 Dec

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