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CIC Sustainable Construction Award 2026 Launched
Sustainability at Heart Crafting a World Apart

Hong Kong • 19 March 2026 – The Construction Industry Council (CIC) held the launching ceremony of the “CIC Sustainable Construction Award 2026” (SCA) at the CIC -Zero Carbon Park today. The ceremony was officiated by Ir Prof. Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC, Ir Ricky LAU, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works) of the Development Bureau, Ir Albert CHENG, Executive Director of the CIC, Ar. Clarence LEUNG, Chairperson of the Organising Committee of SCA, Dr. CHEUNG Tin-cheung, Chairperson of the Judging Panel (Industry Practitioner Category), and Ar. Prof. WONG Kam-sing, Chairperson of the Judging Panel (Project Category).

The CIC launched its first SCA in 2018 to recognise sustainability best practices of the construction industry, and to promote continuous enhancements of sustainable construction in Hong Kong. Held once every three years, SCA has entered its fourth edition this year under the theme “Sustainability at Heart, Crafting a World Apart”. This edition of SCA is comprised of the “Project” category, which is newly introduced to replace the previous “Organisation” category, and the “Industry Practitioner Category”. The former category covers Public Building Project, Private Building Project, Civil Project, and Renovation, Maintenance, Alteration and Addition (RMAA) Project, while the latter category includes Construction Manager, General Practitioner, and Young Practitioner. This year, a new “Low Carbon Citation” has also been introduced under the “Project” Category to recognise projects that have made a significant impact and demonstrated innovative approaches in carbon reduction.

Ir Prof. Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC, said in his welcome speech, “The ‘CIC Sustainable Construction Award’ is not only a platform to recognise outstanding projects, but also an accelerator to showcase industry responsibility, commitment, and collective advancement. The construction industry has a long supply chain that involves numerous stakeholders and exerts significant influence. In addition to organising the SCA, the CIC has also proposed three decarbonisation directions, which are construction site electrification and clean energy adoption, construction and demolition waste management, and high productivity construction and construction digitalisation, all aimed at supporting the industry in reducing carbon emissions and waste, and achieving sustainable development.”

Ir Ricky LAU, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works) of the Development Bureau, remarked that large-scale development projects are vital to Hong Kong’s future, and the Northern Metropolis serves as a key platform for driving economic growth and promoting green building practices. He further added that achieving sustainable development requires new thinking and a holistic low-carbon approach across all stages, from planning

to management. He encouraged the industry to put forward innovative ideas and work together to turn visions into practical actions.

Mr Albert CHENG, Executive Director of the CIC, introduced the details of the SCA at the launching ceremony and remarked, “The theme of this year’s SCA echoes the ‘National 15th Five-Year Plan’ and aligns with the country’s ‘Dual Carbon’ targets, and green and low-carbon development strategies. As the construction sector is one of the major contributors to urban carbon emissions, from material production and energy consumption on-site to building operations, the SCA aims to promote exemplary practices in sustainable construction. This year’s SCA introduces the ‘Low Carbon Citation’ to recognise project teams that take concrete actions in supporting Hong Kong’s decarbonisation roadmap. It aims to showcase the best practices for industry-wide learning, accelerating supply chain transformation across contractors, consultants, and material suppliers.”

At the launch ceremony, a Panel Discussion session was held concurrently, inviting representatives from various sectors of the industry to exchange views under the theme “Driving Sustainable Construction: Role of Innovation and Cross-sector Support”. Participants also shared their insights on how different sectors can advance sustainable construction in Hong Kong, their companies’ adoption of artificial intelligence in sustainability-related initiatives, as well as their visions for sustainable development.

Mr. Clarence LEUNG, Chairperson of the Organising Committee of SCA, emphasised in his closing remarks that achieving carbon neutrality before 2050 requires accelerated transformation across the entire construction ecosystem. Only through collective effort can Hong Kong’s construction industry continue to advance toward a low-carbon future.

The SCA is now open for application until 18 June 2026. For detailed information on the Award’s categories, eligibility, judging criteria and related information, please visit: www.scaward.cic.hk.



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(From left) Dr. CHEUNG Tin-cheung, Chairperson of the Judging Panel (Industry Practitioner Category), Ir Albert CHENG, Executive Director of the CIC, Ir Ricky LAU, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works), Ir Prof. Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC, Ar. Clarence LEUNG, Chairperson of the Organising Committee of the SCA, Ar. Prof. WONG Kam-sing, Chairperson of the Judging Panel (Project Category), jointly officiate the Launching Ceremony



Ir Prof. Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC (4th right, front row), Ir Ricky LAU, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works) (5th left, front row), Ir Albert CHENG, Executive Director of the CIC (4th left, front row), Ar. Clarence LEUNG, Chairperson of the Organising Committee of the SCA (3rd right, front row), Dr. CHEUNG Tin-cheung, Chairperson of the Judging Panel (Industry Practitioner Category) (3rd left, front row), Ar. Prof. WONG Kam-sing, Chairperson of the Judging Panel (Project Category) (2nd right, front row), together with CIC members, members of the Organising Committee, members of the Judging Panel, and speakers of the ceremony, gather for a group photo



Ir Prof. Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC, delivers the welcoming remarks at the launching ceremony



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Ir Ricky LAU, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works), delivers the opening address



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Mr Albert CHENG, Executive Director of the CIC, introduces the details of this year's SCA



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Ar. Clarence LEUNG, Chairperson of the Organising Committee of the SCA, delivers the closing remarks



The Panel Discussion themes "Driving Sustainable Construction: Role of Innovation and Cross-sector Support" is chaired by Dr. CHEUNG Tin-cheung from the Hong Kong Green Building Council (1st left). The discussion features cross-sector representatives including Ms. Rachel LEUNG, Senior Manager - Environment at the Housing Department (2nd left), Ir Raymond KWOK, General Manager - Environmental Science at the Chinachem Group (3rd left), Ms. Celina CHAN, Head of Sustainability & Sustainable Finance at the OCBC Bank (Hong Kong) (2nd right), and Mr. Eddie TSE, Group Sustainability Manager at the Gammon Construction Limited (1st right)

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About the Construction Industry Council

The Construction Industry Council (CIC) was formed in 2007 under the Construction Industry Council Ordinance (Cap. 587). The CIC consists of a chairman and 24 members representing various sectors of the industry including employers, professionals, academics, contractors, workers, independent persons and Government officials.

The main functions of the CIC are to forge consensus on long-term strategic issues, convey the industry's needs and aspirations to the Government, provide professional training and registration services, and serve as a communication channel between the Government and the construction industry.

Please visit www.cic.hk for further details.