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<u>CIC Successfully Held CIC Conference 2012</u> <u>"Manpower Sustainability of Construction Industry cum Zero Carbon Building Development in Hong Kong"</u>

Hong Kong • 28 September 2012 – The Construction Industry Council (CIC) today announced the successful hosting of the CIC Conference 2012. The theme of the event this year is "Manpower Sustainability of Construction Industry cum Zero Carbon Building Development in Hong Kong".

Introduction

The one-day event was aimed at looking into the manpower trends and issues facing the local construction industry. Local and overseas professionals were invited to share their views in achieving manpower sustainability. Another major focus of the conference was the development of the CIC's ZCB, the first zero carbon building in Hong Kong. Experts from abroad also spoke about their experience in the construction and maintenance of their zero carbon projects. Mr. Paul CHAN, Secretary for Development, Mr. WONG Kam-sing, Secretary for the Environment, and Ir WAI Chi-sing, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works), meanwhile, were present to deliver insightful remarks.

CIC Conference 2012

As the propeller behind the development of the construction industry, the CIC is committed to addressing some of its most pressing problems – with manpower shortage and skills mismatch being some of them. "Through the CIC Conference 2012, we hope to look into these issues and explore possible solutions to promoting manpower sustainability", Ir Billy WONG, Chairman of the Conference's Steering Committee and one of the speakers, cum Chairman of the Construction Industry Training Board, said. "We also wish to draw the industry's attention to developing sustainable buildings in Hong Kong. We hope the CIC's development of the ZCB, the first zero carbon building in Hong Kong, can serve as a real-life example that this can indeed be achieved", Mr. LEE Shing-see, Chairman of the CIC, added.





About the Construction Industry Council

The Construction Industry Council (CIC) was formed on 1 February 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 Government, provide training for construction workforce and serve as a communication channel for Government to solicit advice on all construction-related matters.

To learn more about the CIC, please visit website <www.hkcic.org> for further details.

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