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Construction Industry Council
Outstanding Contractor Award 2024 Launching Ceremony

Hong Kong • 6 MARCH 2024 – The Construction Industry Council (CIC) held the launching ceremony for the second “Construction Industry Council Outstanding Contractor Award” (the Award) at the CIC - Zero Carbon Park today. The ceremony was officiated by Ir Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC, Ir Ricky LAU, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works) of the Development Bureau, Ir Rocky POON, Chairperson of the Organising Committee of the Award and Mr. Bryan CHONG, the Director of Corruption Prevention of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC).

Ir Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC said in his welcoming remarks, “The construction industry shoulders the responsibility of building Hong Kong and has constructed numerous world-class infrastructure projects and architectural landmarks. The Award is an excellent opportunity to recognise contractors who have demonstrated exceptional performance in areas of Safety Culture, Corporate Innovation, Professionalisation, Revitalisation, Environmental, Social and Governance, as well as Integrity Management. It encourages all contractors to actively improve their performance, foster industry innovation, preserve good practices, and allow the community to have a deeper understanding of the contributions made by contractors to Hong Kong society.”

Ir Ricky LAU, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works) of the Development Bureau said, “The government and the industry share a common goal - to enhance the overall capability and standards of the construction sector. In this regard, the Development Bureau will persistently serve as both an “advocator” and “coordinator”.”

The Award is held triennially and consists of four categories: “Major Contractor”, “Contractor”, “Specialist Contractor” and the newly added “RMAA Contractor”. The “Outstanding Contractor” Award in each category will be awarded to the contractor with the highest overall score among all the judging criteria. Along with individual awards and the “Integrity Management Award” in the “Major Contractor” category, there are 21 awards in total.

Ir Rocky POON, the Chairperson of the Organising Committee of the Award, stated when introducing the details of the Award, “The category of RMAA Contractor is added due to the increasing significance of their construction expenditure. It is therefore necessary to recognise their outstanding performance. Additionally, to emphasise the committee’s focus on safety, the “Safety Culture” element will account for 20% of the judging criteria for the “Outstanding Contractor” Award in each category.” The CIC has been committed to enhancing the safety standards of the construction industry by providing safety guidelines for industry reference, promoting the adoption of Smart Site Safety System and



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encouraging sites to conduct dynamic risk assessments and safety briefings before work, etc, with the vision of achieving “Zero Accident on Construction Sites”.

The ceremony also featured a special introduction of the new “Integrity Management Award” by Mr. Bryan CHONG, Director of Corruption Prevention of the ICAC. He highlighted that this award was introduced amid the 50th anniversary of the ICAC, which demonstrated the construction industry’s commitment to upholding integrity and its support and recognition to the work of the ICAC.

The Award will be opened for application from 11 March until 31 May 2024. For detailed information on the Award’s categories, eligibility, submission requirements, judging criteria and related information, please visit: www.cic.hk/oca.



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(From left) Mr. Bryan CHONG, Director of Corruption Prevention of the ICAC; Ir Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC; Ir Ricky LAU, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works) of the Development Bureau; Ir Rocky POON, the Chairperson of the Organising Committee of the Award and Mr. Alex HO, Director - Industry Development of the CIC jointly officiate the Launching Ceremony of the Award.



Ir Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC (1st row 5th left), Ir Ricky LAU, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works) of the Development Bureau (1st row 5th right), Ir Rocky POON, the Chairperson of the Organising Committee of the Award (1st row 4th right), Mr. Bryan CHONG, Director of Corruption Prevention of the ICAC (1st row 4th left), Mr. Alex HO, Director - Industry Development of the CIC (1st row 3rd right), Mr. Michael LI, Director of Architectural Services (1st row 3rd left), the CIC Council Members and the Organising Committee Members of the Award took a group photo with the Officials of the HKSAR Government.



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Ir 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) of the Development Bureau states that the government and the industry share a common goal to enhance the overall capability and standards of the construction sector.



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Mr Rocky POON, the Chairperson of the Organising Committee of the Award, stresses the focus on safety culture when introducing the judging criteria of the Award.



Mr. Bryan CHONG, Director of Corruption Prevention of the Independent Commission Against Corruption, introduces the new “Integrity Management Award” for the CIC Outstanding Contractor Award 2024.

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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.