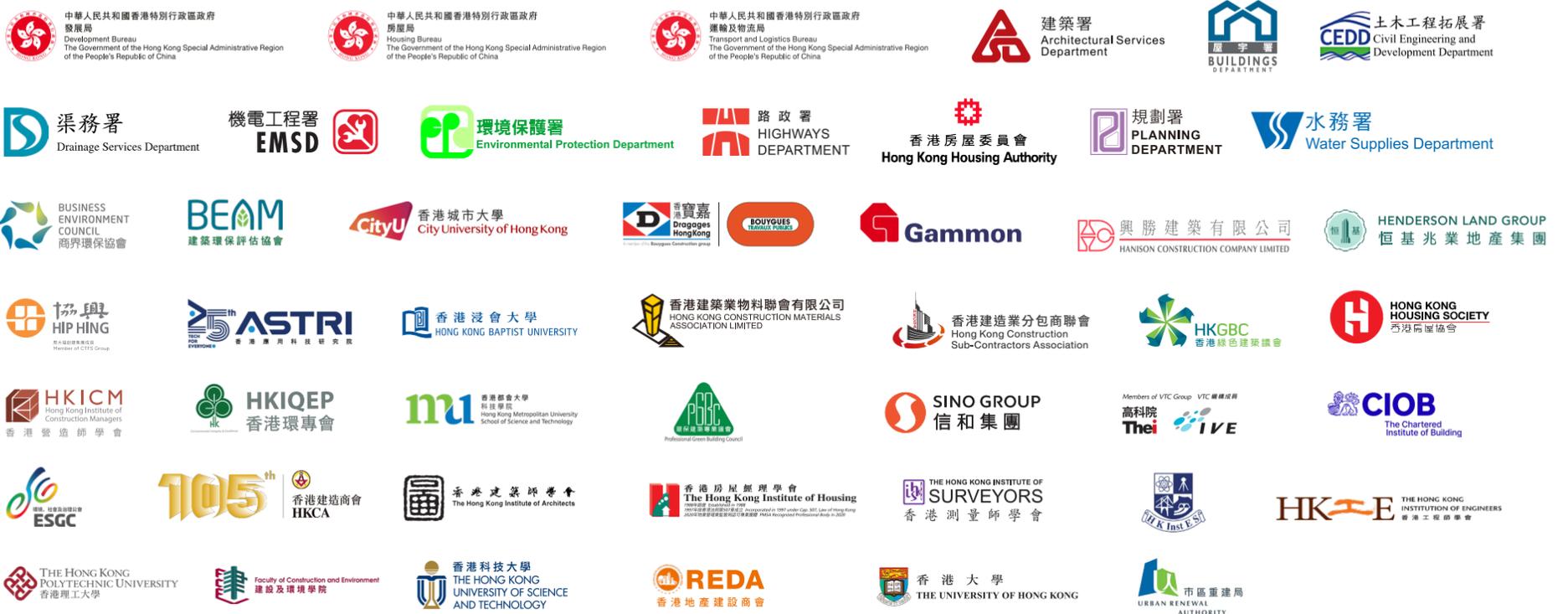


CIC SUSTAINABLE CONSTRUCTION AWARD 2026

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Notes

1. The Organiser's decisions regarding all matters pertaining to the judging process, interpretation of rules and regulations, voting, or any other related matters shall be final and binding.
2. In the event of any inconsistencies between English and Chinese versions, the English version shall prevail.

For More Info



About the Award

Sustainable construction is a key global issue. The Construction Industry Council (CIC) has been actively promoting the implementation of sustainable construction practices within the industry, both at the project level and among practitioners, to collectively explore the economic, social and environmental impacts of the built environment.

In view of this, the CIC launched its first Sustainable Construction Award in 2018. The Award recognises sustainability best practices among projects and industry practitioners in particular of the young generation of the construction industry. The CIC also promotes continuous enhancements of sustainable construction in Hong Kong.

Key Dates

19 March 2026
Application Begins

18 June 2026
End of Application

July 2026
Initial Assessment

August 2026
Site Interview
Shortlisted projects will be invited to give a presentation. Site tour should be arranged if necessary.

September 2026
Final Assessment
Finalist of projects and industrial practitioners will be invited to give a presentation.

November 2026
CIC Sustainable Construction Award Presentation Ceremony

Project Category - Award Eligibility

Public Building Project

Project Scale:

Small Scale Project

(Construction Floor Area < 25,000 m²)

Medium and Large Scale Project

(Construction Floor Area ≥ 25,000m²)

Scope of Application:

Applicable to all capital building projects funded by the Government, including works under Architectural Services Department (ArchSD) and Hong Kong Housing Authority (HA) and subvented projects such as school / hospital projects, etc.

Civil Project

Scope of Application:

Applicable to essential civil engineering works and major infrastructure projects under various works departments (including the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD), the Drainage Services Department (DSD), the Environmental Protection Department (EPD), the Highways Department (HyD), and the Water Supplies Department (WSD)), as well as other infrastructure projects managed by the Airport Authority Hong Kong (AAHK) and MTR Corporation (MTRC).

Private Building Project

Project Scale:

Small Scale Project

(Construction Floor Area < 25,000 m²)

Medium and Large Scale Project

(Construction Floor Area ≥ 25,000m²)

Scope of Application:

Applicable to all private construction works including commercial, residential, mix-used buildings, shopping centres, industrial factories, hotel developments, and developments under Urban Renewal Authority (URA), MTR Corporation (MTRC), Hong Kong Housing Society (HKHS) and building projects funded by utility companies etc.

Repair, Maintenance, Alteration & Addition (RMAA) Project

Scope of Application:

Applicable to the routine maintenance, term contracts, minor works and improvement works funded by the Government; all renovation works, fitting-out works and miscellaneous building maintenance works funded by private developers, private companies and incorporated owners.

Project Category - Awards



Gold, Silver, Bronze and Merit Award per Project Category and scale.
(The Judging Panel reserves the right to make adjustments as deemed necessary, based on prevailing circumstances, without prior notice.)



If the number of applications in a sub-category, or its corresponding scale, does not meet the minimum requirement, the Judging Panel reserves the right to merge it with another sub-category to ensure fairness and efficiency in the evaluation process.



Each winning project will be awarded **two trophies**: one to be presented to the project developer / owner and the other to the main contractor.

Project Category - Special Recognition



Smart Sustainability Award

- This award recognises outstanding performance in applying digitalisation to support sustainable construction.
Judging Criteria:
 - Innovation Technology
 - Digitalisation Technology
- Each winning project will be awarded two trophies; one to be presented to the project developer / owner and the other to the main contractor.



Low Carbon Citation (New Award in 2026)

- This citation recognises projects that demonstrate significant impact and innovative practices in carbon reduction.
- The application project must demonstrate at least two low-carbon solutions under the following judging criteria:
Judging criteria:
 - Adoption of Sustainable Construction Materials / Products;
 - Energy Saving and Carbon Reduction on Construction Activities; or
 - Innovative Technologies.
- Each winning project will be awarded two certificates: one to be presented to the project developer / owner and the other to the main contractor.

Industry Practitioner Category - Award Eligibility

Construction Manager



Appointed as an on-site managerial staff member who is authorised to allocate site resources for sustainability.

General Practitioner



Works in any position at the construction site.

Young Practitioner (Aged 35 or below)



Works in any position at the construction site and is aged 35 or below as of 18 June 2026.

Industry Practitioner Category - Awards



ONE Excellent Award and **FIVE Outstanding Awards** per Industry Practitioner Category.



Each awardee will be presented with a trophy and the following cash prizes:

Excellent Award: HK\$20,000

Outstanding Award: HK\$10,000

Award Eligibility

General Conditions

- The applicant must be the main contractor for a Public Building Project, Private Building Project, Civil Project or Repair, Maintenance, Alteration and Addition (RMAA) Project, with explicit consent from the project developer / owner;
- Applicants must participate in both the Project Category Awards and the Industry Practitioner Category Awards;
- Applicants should provide supporting documents upon request;
- Shortlisted applicants will be notified to give a presentation for final assessment;
- The CIC and Judging Panel reserve the right to determine eligibility at their sole discretion; and
- Applicants are bound by the rules and conditions outlined in the Application Form.

Project Category

- Each project should be submitted under one sub-category only;
- Each project can be applied by one applicant;
- Each applicant can submit applications on behalf of multiple projects; and
- Each participating project shall have active construction works undertaken during the assessment period (i.e. before 31 August 2026) with the following minimum completion thresholds:
 - Public / Private Building Project: the superstructure works of the project must have achieved topping out for at least 50% of the total building footprint area by the application deadline.
 - Civil / RMAA Project: At least 50% completion of project works according to the contract period by the application deadline.

Industry Practitioner Category

- Each nominated project must include three team members as nominees—one for each sub-category:
 - Construction Manager (Appointed as an on-site managerial staff member who is authorised to allocate site resources for sustainability);
 - General Practitioner (Works in any position at the construction site) and
 - Young Practitioner (Works in any position at the construction site and is aged 35 or below on the application deadline, 18 June 2026.)

Project Category - Award Criteria



A. Engagement and Communication (20%)

1

Sustainability Culture and Resource Commitment

The project management must lead in initiating the sustainability culture, policy, and strategic resource allocation, ensuring robust support and integration into daily.

2

Talent Development and Cultivation for Next Generation

A strong commitment to talent development through comprehensive training, support, and learning opportunities for all staff and workers, seamlessly integrated into daily operations. The project should nurture future construction professionals through skill-building programmes and trainings on sustainable practices, with evidence of measurable outcomes.

3

Diversity and Inclusion

Effective implementation of practices to attract female and ethnic minorities, fostering a diverse workforce and a culturally sensitive environment.

4

Public Engagement

Fostering meaningful public engagement through open dialogue, consultations, and inclusive activities tailored to community needs. Design and building efforts should enhance local integration by delivering benefits like improved amenities and strengthened community cohesion.



B. Collaboration and Management (20%)

1

Early Collaboration and Relationship Building

Development of a reciprocal communication platform with project owners, main contractors and subcontractors during site planning to understand requirements. Fostering strong relationships among the project team, staff, and workers through collaborative initiatives.

2

Sustainable Procurement and Supplier Management

Demonstration of effective sustainable procurement practices to acquire sustainable products. Imposition of sustainable selection criteria for suppliers and subcontractors to promote transparency and accountability, including relevant requirements in tender documents with regular audits and performance reviews to ensure compliance.

3

Adoption of Sustainable Construction Materials / Products

Adopt materials / products certified by the CIC Green Product Certification (CIC GPC) or other recognised sustainable materials / products, and indicate the percentage used in terms of mass, volume, or cost.

4

Subcontracting Tier Limit

Establishing of a maximum subcontracting tier limit to ensure effective monitoring and management.



C. Measures and Achievement (20%)

1

Environmental Management

Establishment of a monitoring and control system with effective mitigation measures against air, noise, water, and waste.

2

Energy Saving and Carbon Reduction on Construction Activities

Adoption of efficient energy-saving and carbon reduction measures across construction activities. Provide quantitative data on energy use and emissions reductions, detailing strategies and technologies applied.

3

Carbon Assessment and Audit

Use of the CIC Carbon Assessment Tool (CAT), or other recognised carbon assessment tools, to evaluate the project's carbon reduction outcomes.

4

Heritage, Landscape and Habitat Conservation

Integration of measures to conserve heritage, landscape, and habitats, ensuring minimal disruption during construction period, including preserving cultural assets, enhancing green spaces, and protecting local ecosystems.



D. Safety Culture (20%)

1

Safety Management

Effective implementation of safety initiatives, such as mandatory participation in the Frontline Personnel Safety Performance Recording Scheme, and encouraged adoption of the Smart Site Safety System (4S), and/or any other technologies to uplift site safety.

2

Safety Culture and Engagement

Fostering a strong safety culture through initiatives that promote best practices and encourage active engagement by all employees, woven into daily operations through dynamic risk assessment and on-site monitoring.

3

Safety Achievements

Showcasing notable safety achievements, such as being granted a 4S Label(s) and/or honoured with the award(s) in the Considerate Contractors Site Award Scheme or other safety competitions.

4

Caring and Well-being

Promotion of thoughtful initiatives to support employee health and well-being, fostering a nurturing and safe environment.



E. Innovative and Digitalisation Technology (20%)

1

Innovative Technology

Implementation of innovative technologies and measures contributing to sustainable construction, such as renewable energy integration, waste-to-resource technologies, and robotics or automation.

2

Digitalisation Technology

Adoption of digitalisation technologies and solutions (e.g., BIM, IoT sensors, digital twins, AI and machine learning) to achieve sustainable construction and mitigate environmental impacts on diverse aspects.

Industry Practitioner Category - Award Criteria

Weighings for Award Categories

Common Criteria (80%)

Achievement (35%)

Creativity (20%)

Collaboration (15%)

Digital Competence (10%)



Special Criteria (20%)

(one of the criteria below)

Construction Manager Leadership (20%)

General Practitioner Skill (20%)

Young Practitioner Idea and Energisation (20%)

Common Criteria



Achievement

Quantifiable contributions to sustainable construction



Collaboration

Ability to coordinate and implement sustainability initiatives



Creativity

Innovative and practical sustainability measures



Digital Competence

Application of advanced technologies and digital skills

Special Criteria



Leadership

Leadership in initiating sustainability measures and allocating resources



Skill and Craftsmanship

Skill and experience in supporting sustainability targets



Idea and Energisation

Stunning ideas and passion for sustainability in construction