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Press Release

Quality Building Award 2008
“Set No Boundary for Quality Buildings”
New “Projects Outside Hong Kong” Award Category
To Include Quality Projects from Around the Globe

Hong Kong, 7 August 2007 – **Quality Building Award (QBA) 2008** is now open for nominations. New theme line for QBA 2008 is “Set No Boundary for Quality Buildings”, which announces the characteristics of this year’s QBA: expanding QBA to include all quality projects from every corner of the world.

Besides the long-established Residential and Non-Residential Award Categories, a new Special Awards Category was added to QBA2008 to recognize projects with distinguished achievements in specific areas of Heritage, Innovation and Sustainability. Projects with outstanding performance in the aforesaid areas will be awarded with Special Merits of QBA2008 upon approval by the Jury Panel.

“Projects outside Hong Kong” is also included as a sub-category of Special Awards Category for all nominations from abroad. Judging criteria for this sub-category is equivalent to those for Residential and Non-Residential Award Category.

Ir Prof. Peter K. W. Mok, Chairman of QBA2008 Organizing Committee, said, “Quality Building Award has been one of the most popular awards within the industry since its launch in 2001. Other than recognizing efforts and contributions of local professional project teams, a new mission for us this year is to promote the QBA concept to the rest of the world.”

We are much honored to have invited many local and foreign renowned industry professionals to be our Honorary Patron, Honorary Advisors and Jurors for QBA2008:

Honorary Patron:

The Hon. C. Y. Leung, GBS, JP, Convenor of the Non-official Members, Executive Council, HKSAR

Honorary Advisors:

- *Ir Dr. The Hon. Raymond Ho, JP*, Member (Functional Constituency – Engineering), The Legislative Council, HKSAR
- *The Hon. Patrick Lau, SBS, JP*, Member (Functional Constituency – Architectural, Surveying and Planning), The Legislative Council, HKSAR
- *The Hon. Abraham Shek, JP*, Member (Functional Constituency – Real Estate & Construction), The Legislative Council, HKSAR



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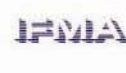
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- *Dr. Ronald Lu*, President, The Hong Kong Institute of Architects
- *Dr. Cheng Hon Kwan, GBS, OBE, JP*, Partner, H. K. Cheng & Partners Limited

Jury Panel:

Chairman of Jury Panel:

Mr. Cheung Hau Wai, JP, Director of Buildings, HKSAR

Members of Jury Panel:

- *Mr. Raymond Chan*, President, The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors
- *Dr. Rebecca L.H. Chiu, JP*, Associate Professor of the Centre of Urban Planning & Environmental Management of the University of Hong Kong
- *Prof. Richard Frewer*, Former Chair Professor & Department Head, Department of Architecture of the University of Hong Kong (Overseas Juror)
- *Mr. Pau Shiu Hung, SBS, JP*, Former Director of Architectural Services of HKSAR
- *Ir. Peter Y. Wong*, Vice President, The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers
- *Ir. Prof. Peter K. W. Mok*, Chairman, QBA2008 Organizing Committee

Nomination period for QBA2008 will end by 31st December 2007, upon which a series of judging process will be carried out to determine QBA Awards and Merits winners. Final results of QBA2008 will be announced by July 2008.

About QBA

QBA is a biennial award founded in 2001 by seven building and construction related associations in Hong Kong. The objective of QBA is to acknowledge quality building teams that help construct buildings with outstanding quality.

Organizers of QBA2008

QBA 2008 is co-organized by nine professional organizations in Hong Kong, including: the Hong Kong Construction Association, the Hong Kong Institute of Architects, the Hong Kong Institute of Construction Managers (Alternate Chair), Building Division, Building Services Division and Structural Division of the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers, the Hong Kong Institute of Housing, the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors, the Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency, the Hong Kong Chapter of International Facility Management Association and the Real Estate Developers Association of Hong Kong.

For more information about QBA and QBA2008, please visit the official website at www.QBA.com.hk.

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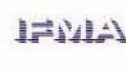
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