

## **Quality Building Award 2006 NOW Invites Nominations**

## Prestigious Residential, Commercial & Theme Park Projects will be Eligible to Enroll New Award Category Added to Give Recognition to "Sustainable Buildings"

Hong Kong, 14 October 2005 – Quality Building Award (QBA) 2006 is currently inviting nominations from eligible projects that are practically completed in the period between 1 January 2003 and 30 June 2005.

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. QBA2006 carries a special theme - "Recognition of concerted effort by all building professionals to enhance building quality for the betterment of Hong Kong".

This year we are honored to have the *Hon. Patrick Lau Sau-Sing, SBS, JP*, Legco Member, participating as the Honorary Advisor of QBA2006, and Mr. David C Lee, BBS, JP, Chairman of Hong Kong Housing Society as Chairman of the Jury Panel. Other Jury Panel Members include: Professor Peter Hills, Director of the Centre of Urban Planning and Environmental Management, HKU; Dr. Simon Kwan, Chairman of Simon Kwan & Associates Ltd.; Mr. Mike C W Wong, Executive Director of Sun Hung Kai Properties Ltd.; Ir Wong Kwok Lai, ISO, JP, Vice President of the Hong Kong Institute of Engineers; Mr. Marco M H Wu, JP, Director of Buildings and Mr. Nelson Cheng, Chairman of the QBA2006 Organizing Committee.

Other than "Residential Building Category" & "Non-Residential Building Category" which have been a tradition of QBA since 2002, a brand new award category, "Sustainable Building Category" to acknowledge innovation, heritage and revitalization elements of projects, has been introduced to QBA2006.

Nomination deadline for QBA2006 is set at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2005. Upon completion of the adjudication process, winners for each category will be announced by July 2006.

Nominated projects will be assessed against key criteria including:

- Vision for Quality, Project Brief & Teamwork
- Design & Innovation
- Project Management and Cost Control
- **Environmental Considerations:** sustainability, safety, hygiene, etc.
- Users' Response, Customer Satisfaction, Operation and Maintenance

This year we are honored to have nine prominent professional organizations in Hong Kong, including: the Hong Kong Construction Association, the Hong Kong Institute of Architects, the Hong Kong Institute of Construction Managers, 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, as co-organizers of this respectable event.

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