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Quality Building Award 2008

Quality Building Award (QBA) 2008 is now open for nominations. The new theme line for QBA2008 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.

The nomination period closes on December 31st, 2007. The first screenings and site visits are to be conducted in the first quarter of 2008 with the QBA2008 Award Presentation Banquet scheduled for July. The Chairman of Jury Panel for QBA2008 is Mr. Cheung Hau Wai, JP, Director of Buildings, HKSAR.

Founded in 2001 QBA is a biennial award. QBA2008 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.

The objective of QBA is to acknowledge quality building teams that help construct buildings with outstanding quality. For more information about QBA and QBA2008, please visit the official website at www.QBA.com.hk.



Quality Building Award 2008 QBA2008: Key Dates

Dates	Details
1 July 2007	Nomination Period Starts
31 December 2007	End of Nomination Period
January 2008	First Screening
March 2008	Site Visit
May 2008	Finalist Presentation to Jury Panel*
July 2008	QBA2008 Conference* QBA2008 Award Presentation Banquet*

* Details will be announced later.



GBA Honorary Patron: The Hon. C. Y. Leung, GBS, JP, Convenor of the Non-official Member, Executive Council, HKSAR