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Quality Building Award 2020 Now Open for Nomination

Theme to Celebrate Community Considerations and Jury Panel to Include Mainland Chinese Juror for First Time

20 June **2019** (Hong Kong) – The Quality Building Award 2020 (QBA 2020) is now officially open for nomination. QBA is a biennial award that recognizes buildings of outstanding quality and those that demonstrate outstanding teamwork. QBA 2020 will mark the award's tenth edition, with the theme being "Transforming Communities • Build with Heart and Care". Co-founded in 2002 by nine of Hong Kong's leading professional institutions, QBA has become established as the one of the property sector's most coveted honours.

Transforming Communities: Build with Heart and Care

Hong Kong is one of the world's busiest international cities, and its stunning cityscape and competitive building industry has always reflected that. That said, the organizing committee recognizes that buildings are the places people live and work, eat and sleep, dream and wonder. Quality buildings bring joy and health, poorly designed ones bring risk and suffering.

For this year's award, the organizers hope to reinforce an important truth – that quality buildings are built with heart and care to serve people's needs first, while transforming communities for the better. This also provides a platform for professional building project teams to be recognized for positive contributions to the community through high quality building work.

Addition of Mainland China-based Juror Reflects Growing International Awareness

In response to QBA's growing recognition outside of Hong Kong, this year's organizing committee has, for the first time, invited a mainland Chinese juror to join the jury panel – Mr Liang Jian Ming, President, Guangdong Construction Industry Association. This decision also reflects the increasing number of Hong Kong-Mainland collaborations in an array of high-quality building projects (some involved in the Greater Bay Area initiative).

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Ir Peter K. W. Mok, Chairman of QBA 2020 Organizing Committee, said: "It is an honour to be selected to chair QBA's tenth edition. For this year's awards, we hope to emphasize the commitment building professionals have to strengthening communities while remembering that the building industry is about putting people first. We also recognize the growing room for cooperation across borders in an increasingly integrated world, and so we hope including a juror from outside of Hong Kong will send a positive signal in our industry to cooperate more with others."

Key dates

Date	Items
20 June 2019	Award Briefing Session & Kick off Press Conference
	Nominations Open
8 November 2019	Nomination Submission Deadline (closed at 12nn HKT)
December 2019	Stage 1: First Screening
18-19 January 2020	Stage 2: Site Visit
Late January 2020	Finalists Announcement
March 2020	Stage 3: Finalists Presentation to Jury Panel & Conference

Categories and Eligibility

The six award categories for QBA 2020 are as follows:

	CATEGORIES	NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS*
1)	Hong Kong Residential (Single Building)	 Nominated new buildings must be a single independent structure/ single tower, not part of a complex containing other buildings. The Major Function of the nominated building must be for residential use.
2)	Hong Kong Residential (Multiple Buildings)	 Nominated new buildings must be a group of buildings/ more than a single tower of similar kinds, which form a residential complex. The Major Function of the nominated multiple buildings must be for residential use.
3)	Hong Kong Non-Residential (New Building - Government, Institution or Community)	 The Major Function of the nominated new building must be for Government, Institution or Community use. Nominated new buildings may be single or multiple buildings.
4)	Hong Kong Non-Residential (New Building – Non- Government, Institution or Community)	 The Major Function of the nominated new building must be for non-residential use or non-GIC use. Nominated new buildings may be single or multiple buildings.

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5)	Hong Kong Building (Renovation / Revitalization)	 Any nominated existing building must have undergone and completed a renovation, restoration, revitalization or similar process to its physical structure and/or communal facilities. Nominated existing buildings may be residential or non-residential building.
6)	Building Outside Hong Kong	 Nominated buildings must be outside the territorial limits of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. Nominated buildings can be new or existing building. Any nominated existing building must have undergone and completed a renovation, restoration, revitalization or similar process to its physical structure and/or communal facilities. The Major Function of the nominated building may be a residential or non-residential building.

Eligible buildings should possess either Occupation Permits (OP or Phased OP), Acknowledgement letters on Form BA14 or Confirmation letter of Substantial Completion between 1 July 2016 and 30 June 2019 as stated in the submission requirements.

Award Tiers

Multiple awards are provided every year. They are ranked as follows:

AWARD TYPE	DESCRIPTION
Quality Excellence Award	Only one The Quality Excellence Award will be presented to a project within
	the territorial limits of Hong Kong Special Administrative Region with
	outstanding OVERALL quality that is judged to be the BEST among all the
	Grand Award Winners.
Grand Awards*	There will be a Grand Award Winner(s) for each nomination category. This is
	the highest recognition to projects at the category level.
Merits*	There will be recognition of merit(s) for each nomination category.
Finalists**	There will be recognition of finalist(s) for each nomination that has passed
	the first screening, site visits and presented at the Finalist Presentation to
	Jury Panel & Conference.

^{*} QBA 2020 Organizing Committee reserves the right not to bestow an award if the Jury Panel deems that no nomination is worth receiving that particular award. The decision of the Jury Panel shall be final.

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^{**} Finalist qualification will be usurped if the project team is unable to present at the Finalist Presentation to Jury Panel & Conference.



Jury Panel Members

QBA 2020 is supported by the following industry leaders as Jurors. Jurors are selected from various backgrounds to provide a balanced perspective:

Jury Panel Chairman

Mr YU Tak Cheung, JP

Deputy Director, Buildings Department, Hong Kong SAR Government

Jury Panel Vice-chairman

Ir Peter K. W. MOK

Chairman, QBA 2020 Organizing Committee

Members

Mr Kenneth FOO

President, The Hong Kong Chapter of International Facility Management Association

Ir C. S. Ho

Deputy Chairmen, Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency

Mr Eddie LAM

Frist Vice President, The Hong Kong Construction Association

Mrs Sylvia LAM, JP

Director, Architectural Services Department, Hong Kong SAR Government

Prof LEE Chack Fan, GBS, SBS, JP

President, Chu Hai College of Higher Education

Mr Li Kwok Hing Felix FHKIA, RA

President, The Hong Kong Institute of Architects

Mr Liang Jian Ming

President, Guangdong Construction Industry Association

Sr SHIU Wai Yee, Winnie

Senior Vice-President, The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors

Cr SHUM Hau-tak, Daniel

President, Hong Kong Institute of Construction Managers

Mr SIT Wing Hang, Alfred, JP

Director, Electrical and Mechanical Services Department, Hong Kong SAR Government

Dr Rosman C.C. WAI

Lecturer, Division of Architectural Conservation Programmes, Faculty of Architecture, The University of Hong Kong

Ms YU Chun

Vice President, The Hong Kong Institute of Housing

Ir Ringo YU Shek Man

President, The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers

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Official category details, the latest updated jury panel, and further information can be found at http://www.qba.com.hk/. Follow our facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/QBAHK/.

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About Quality Building Award

The Quality Building Award (QBA) will celebrate its landmark tenth edition in 2020. Co-founded in 2002 by nine of Hong Kong's leading professional institutions, the ceremony has been held biennially ever since, and was quickly established as the one of the property sector's most coveted honours. Since its inception, QBA has celebrated and offered public recognition to buildings that embody excellence.

Organizers of QBA 2020

QBA 2020 is co-organized by nine professional institutions in Hong Kong. They are:

- The Hong Kong Construction Association
- The Hong Kong Institute of Architects
- The Hong Kong Institute of Construction Managers
- The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers
- The Hong Kong Institute of Housing
- The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors
- The Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency (QBA 2020 Alternate Chair)
- The Hong Kong Chapter of International Facility Management Association
- The Real Estate Developers Association of Hong Kong

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