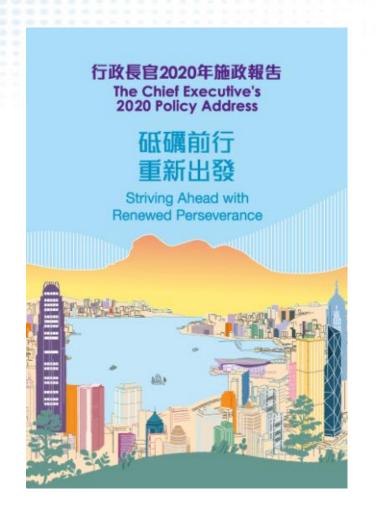




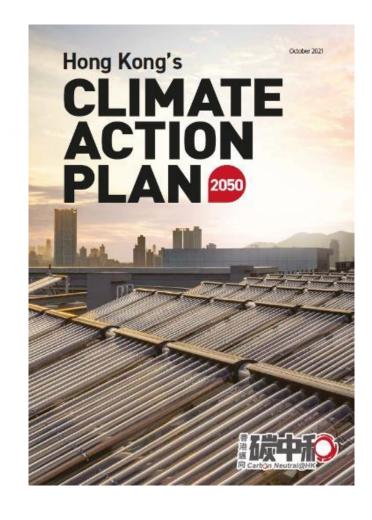
Dr CHEUNG Tin-cheung, SBS

Chairman Hong Kong Green Building Council

## Striving towards Carbon Neutrality before 2050



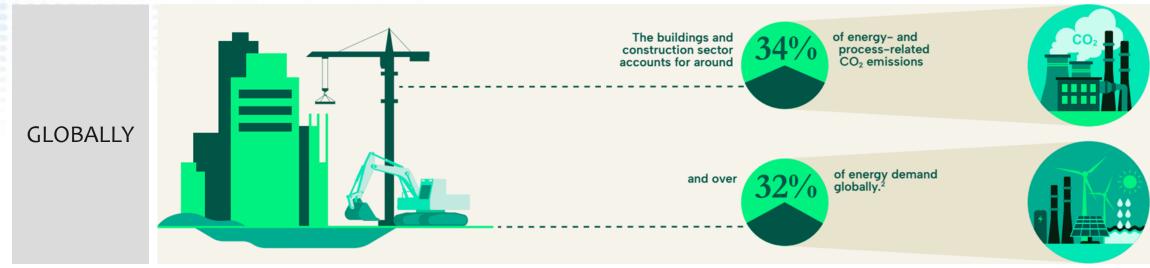








## Carbon Emissions in Buildings



Source: WorldGBC strategic plan 2025-2027

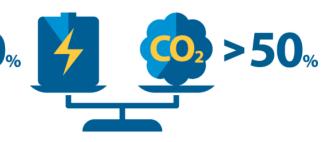
HONG KONG



**42,000+ buildings** in private sector



8,000 high-rise buildings and skyscrapers



Our activities in buildings account for over 90% of electricity consumption or over 50% of carbon emissions in Hong Kong



## Urban Challenges in Hong Kong

**High Density Environment** 

Land Shortage and Utilisation

**Changing Climate** 

**Ageing Population & Buildings** 

**Balancing Sustainable Economic Growth** 















**Green Investment** 



**Green Financing** 



**Green Certification** 



**Green Planning** 





# Hong Kong's Green Building Capabilities

**Green Materials** 



**Green Methods** 



Green Electricity
Generation and Efficient
Energy Use



**Green Community** 











#### Collaboration





Caring for Community







Impact Strategy

**Public Engagement** 





**Rating Tools** 

Professional Development















## Focus Areas of Hong Kong Green Building Council





**Assessment** 



Knowledge



**Engagement** 



## BEAM Plus An Independent Assessment of Building Sustainability Performance



**Assessment** 



**Certification Body** 

**Assessment Body** 









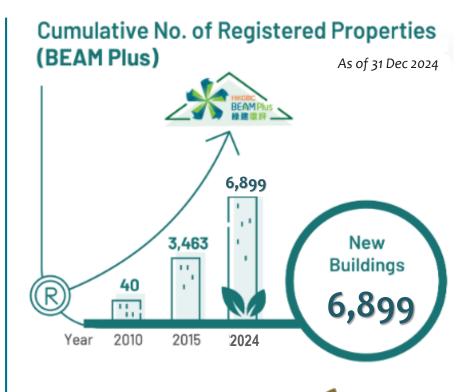


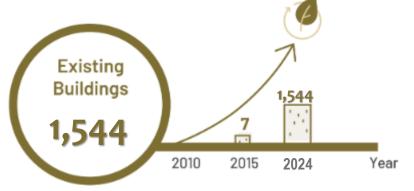










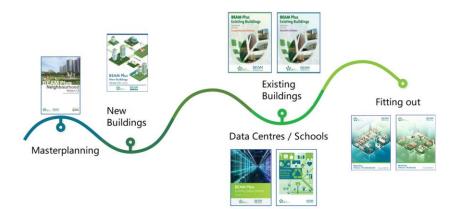


## BEAM Plus Comprehensive Rating Tools & Assessment Aspects





It covers various stages of the building life cycle, embracing various building types.



Aspect		What it looks at
	Management	How the building is designed & constructed; or how an existing building is operated & maintained
	Sustainable Site	Landscape, transport, amenities, outdoor environment, climate resilience & climate change adaptation
	Materials & Waste	Material selection, embodied carbon, modular design, offsite prefabrication, waste handling facilities
	Energy Use	Operational carbon, renewable energy, passive building design
Ö	Water Use	Indoor water use, irrigation, cooling tower, rainwater harvesting, grey water recycling
	Health & Wellbeing	Biophilic design, active living, IAQ, thermal comfort, visual and aural comfort, biological contaminations
	Innovations	Other new techniques proposed by project teams

## BEAM Plus More Than A Rating Tool



#### Facilitate the Application for GFA Concessions

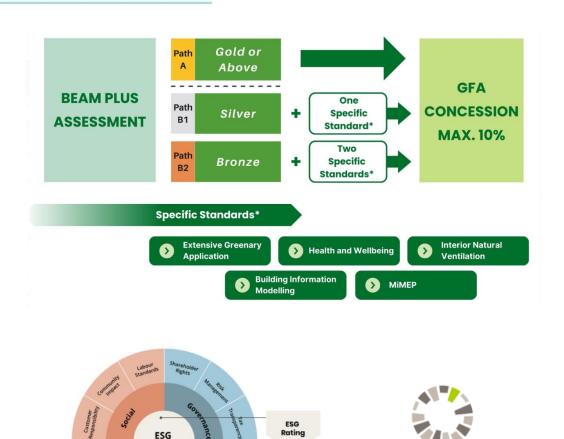
Since 1 April 2011, participation in BEAM Plus assessment has become one of the **pre-requisites** in applying for **GFA concessions** in **new building developments**.

From 30 June 2024, the GFA Concession Policy has been enhanced by demanding projects to attain specific BEAM Plus ratings.

#### Boost for Green Finance & ESG Ratings

From 2016 onwards, as Hong Kong started to develop green finance, BEAM Plus has gradually become one of the most widely adopted green building ratings demanded by **green bonds**, **green loans** and other green finance instruments issued in Hong Kong.

BEAM Plus is also widely adopted as one of the **ESG benchmarks** for real estate developers and asset owners.



Rating

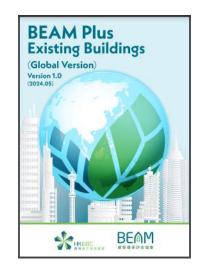


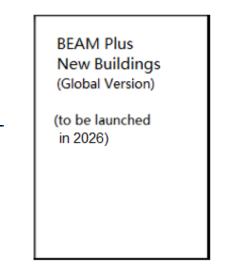
## BEAM Plus Stepping Outside Hong Kong



- BEAM Plus Existing Buildings Global Version launched in May 2024
- BEAM Plus projects in Mainland China and East Africa
- BEAM Plus New Buildings Global Version anticipated in 2026









### Zero-Carbon-Ready & Net Zero Energy Building Certification Scheme









In addition to BEAM Plus, the Council developed

Zero-Carbon-Ready Building Certification and

Net Zero Energy Building Certification in 2023 -2024.

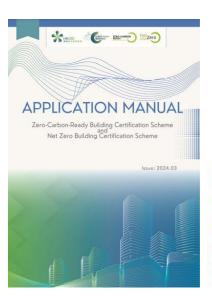
#### **Purpose**

To provide **aligned** definitions, calculation methodologies and targets among industry stakeholders.

#### **Objectives**

By adopting the certification schemes, building owners can:

- benchmark and report the energy performance of buildings;
- set the targets for carbon neutrality and tracking progress; and
- justify the improvement in projects for green financing.





Recognised by BEAM Plus, GRESB, HKMA Taxonomy









## HKGBC - CIC Green Product Certification (CIC GPC)



#### **Assessment**





- Officially initiated in November 2019
- CIC GPC 2.0 launched in May 2025
- A total of 32 Product Categories within 5 Product Families characterised by 5 Sustainability Aspects

certified, with 88% achieving

**Gold** or **Platinum** ratings.



Civil & Structural Materials



Mechanical & Electrical & Plumbing (MEP) Products



**Architectural Products** 



Landscaping Products



**General Green Product Category** 







**Environment** 



Resources



**Performance** 



**InnoSmart** 



















## Industry Best Practices and Guidelines



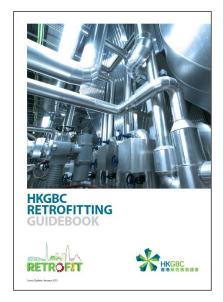
Knowledge

**Retro-Commissioning** 





#### Retrofitting



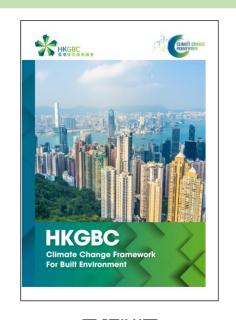






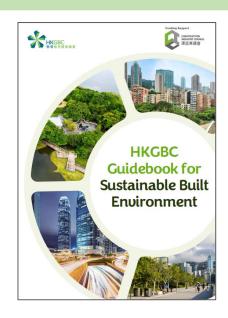


### Climate Change Framework & Certification Scheme





#### Sustainable Built Environment





**Retrofitting Hub:** A new online platform sharing the latest in building energy efficiency retrofits – strategies, case studies, and innovations.

## **Network of Strong Support**









4 Founding Members









Over

190

**Institutional Members** 

**Over** 

5,600

**Associate Members** 

#### Cross-sector Influence



40.1 % Contractors

28.6 % Consultants

As at 31 Dec 2024



## Market Impact: Industry Engagement



#### Seminar & Conference











**Exhibition** 



**Delegation & Site Visit** 













## Market Impact: Community Engagement





Hong Kong Green Building Week









Jockey Club Energy Saver in Schools Project





Media Coverage





## Way Forward

Leveraging Hong Kong's Strong Green Building Capabilities -



**☐** Well-established certification system



☐ Green building materials and products



☐ Green and sustainable financing & investment



☐ Innovative construction methods



☐ Mature facility management practices



☐ Sustainable community developments



Fully integrate these strengths into major new developments across the territory, such as the Northern Metropolis; and seize emerging opportunities under the Greater Bay Area, Belt and Road Initiatives, and beyond.











## Our Journey to Sustainable Built Environment





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