

HKQAA has become a Recognised External Reviewer of the Green and Sustainable Finance Grant Scheme

Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency (HKQAA) is pleased to receive confirmation from the Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA) that it has become a recognised external reviewer for the purpose of the Green and Sustainable Finance Grant Scheme (GSF Grant Scheme), effective from 7 June 2021.

The GSF Grant Scheme commenced on 10 May 2021 and will last for three years. It provides subsidy for eligible bond issuers and loan borrowers to cover their expenses on bond issuance and external review services. Under the Scheme, a bond/ loan must have procured pre-issuance external review services related to the bond issue/ loan that is provided by a recognised external reviewer.

For further information or applying for the GSF Grant Scheme, please contact Hong Kong Monetary Authority at gsfgrs@hkma.gov.hk.

A guideline on the GSF Grant Scheme is also available on the HKMA's website: (<https://www.hkma.gov.hk/media/eng/doc/key-information/press-release/2021/20210504e4a1.pdf>).

Important Note:

The Green and Sustainable Finance Grant Scheme is administered by the Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA), which handles the approval process for grant applications. The certification, external review and other assessment services provided by Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency (HKQAA) do not assume or ensure approval of grant applications.