

# HKQAA ESG Connect Networking and Sharing Session – Low Carbon Economy



## Unleashing synergies to create ESG opportunities

On 12 March 2024, the Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency (HKQAA) organised the “HKQAA ESG Connect Networking and Sharing Session – Low Carbon Economy” at the 04-07 Conference Hall of the Hong Kong Science Park. This event brought together organisations within the ESG ecosystem, allowing them to share the latest ESG trends and solutions, and fostering cross-sector collaboration to help explore development opportunities.

## Connecting the ESG ecosystem, sharing practical experiences

The HKQAA ESG Connect Program aims to develop an ESG ecosystem to encourage business communities to implement and showcase their ESG commitments. It allows organisations with ESG expertise to share valuable experiences with the industries, thereby enhancing overall performance. The event featured guest speakers including Dr Nigel Croft, Chair, ISO Joint Technical Coordination Group for Management System Standards (2020 – 2023), and Mr Andy Ng, Chairman of Hong Kong General Chamber of Social Enterprises, as well as representatives from various sectors. ESG best practices and solutions were shared, fostering collaboration within the ESG Ecosystem.



Dr Nigel Croft, Chair, ISO Joint Technical Coordination Group for Management System Standards (2020 – 2023) and Mr K. T. Ting, Chief Operating Officer of HKQAA were the keynote speakers.



The panel discussion featured enterprises with extensive experiences in ESG, from left:

- (facilitator) Mr K. T. Ting, Chief Operating Officer of HKQAA
- Mr Andy Ng, Chairman of Hong Kong General Chamber of Social Enterprises
- Mr Alan Kwan, Deputy General Manager - Building Division, Chun Wo Development Holdings Limited
- Ms Eva Wong, General Manager of Property Management, SOCAM
- Mr Stephen Wan, Director, Net Zero Agriculture Limited
- Mr Gary Lam, Chief Technology Officer, livi bank

## Experience sharing on ESG solutions:



Dr Tin Lau, Senior Technical Manager, Nano and Advanced Materials Institute Ltd. (technology and research)



Mr Chris Wong, Chief Operating Officer, MagPaint Hong Kong (eco-friendly paint)



Mr William Chiu, Founder of Dali International (eco-friendly flooring) and Mr Omen Li, Founder of Omen Creative (sustainable interior design)



Ms Jennifer Wong, Founder of Codekey Cookies (social enterprise for the visually impaired)



Mr Willie Leung, Founder of Willie Leung Training (psychological and emotional training)



Mr Alvis Yip, Founder of Supply Ching Company Limited (eco-friendly tablewares)



Ms Ip Ching Lam, Channel Partnerships Manager, Airwallex (cross-border payment platform)



Mr Joe Wong, Chairman, Hong Kong Clubhouse Facilities Association (Office Waste Papers Upcycling Program)

## Supporting social enterprises and green suppliers, opening up business opportunities

Refreshments and tablewares were provided by four local social enterprises and green suppliers: Brighten Coffee Limited, which supports elderly employment; Hello Cocoa Limited, which supports SEN families and youth employment; Zero Carbon Agriculture Limited, which promotes low-carbon agricultural products; and Supply Ching Company Limited, which promotes eco-friendly tablewares. The event allowed participants to learn about the products and services offered by these ESG solution providers, thereby supporting their efforts to explore collaborative business opportunities and promoting an inclusive and environmentally-friendly culture.



Brighten Coffee Limited



Hello Cocoa Limited



Zero Carbon Agriculture Limited



Supply Ching Company Limited



Celia Wong, founder of Brighten Coffee, said, “We are excited to participate in the ESG Connect Program and look forward to integrating the concept of sustainable development into our operations. As a social enterprise, we are committed to making a positive impact on the environment and the community. Participating has helped us take another step on the road to sustainable and responsible corporate practices. Thank you HKQAA for giving us the opportunity to deepen our commitment to sustainable development and responsible business practices.”

Louie Lu, founder of Hello Cocoa, also expressed his gratitude, “We appreciate HKQAA for helping social enterprises understand SDGs and grasp the ESG project prioritisation and implementation process through the ESG Connect Program. This step-by-step approach has been extremely beneficial.”

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