## Chairman's Message 主席的話



Ir C. S. Ho 何志誠工程師 Chairman of HKQAA 香港品質保證局主席

Since the adoption of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the Paris Agreement, governments and business communities have attached great importance to the development of green and sustainable financial markets. Last year's COP26 summit in Glasgow reemphasised the important role of finance in driving and supporting the transition to carbon neutrality.

Our country highly values SDG implementation and actively promotes green economic and social development. The Hong Kong SAR Government is also committed to developing Hong Kong into a green and sustainable financial hub in the region.

As a non-profit public organisation established by the Hong Kong Government in 1989, HKQAA has promoted good management practices, environmental protection and responsible investment for many years, and has been a pioneer in promoting sustainable development. In addition to introducing international standards, HKQAA has developed a series of innovative services to help industry enhance its performance, such as a sustainability report verification service, the HKQAA CSR Index and the rating service for the Hang Seng Corporate Sustainability Index Series.

In 2018, we launched the Green Finance Certification Scheme with the support of the Hong Kong SAR Government. In 2021, in alignment with Government strategies and market trends, we launched the Green and Sustainable Finance Certification Scheme. We are delighted that the Scheme has received a positive response

隨著聯合國可持續發展目標及《巴黎協定》的落實,各地政府和商界都十分重視綠色和可持續金融市場的發展。去年在格拉斯哥舉行的COP26峰會,亦再次強調金融在推動和支持碳中和轉型的重要作用。

國家對實現可持續發展目標高度重視,積極推動綠色經濟及社會發展,特區政府亦致力發展香港成為區內的綠色和可持續金融樞紐。

香港品質保證局作為香港政府於1989年成立的非牟利公營機構,多年來致力推廣優質管理辦法,促進環境保護、可持續發展和負責任投資,一直是推動可持續發展的先驅。本局除了引入國際標準外,亦開發一系列創新服務,協助業界提升表現,包括提供可持續發展報告核查服務,制定「社會責任指數」,為「恒生可持續發展企業指數系列」提供評級服務等。

2018年,本局在特區政府的推動和支持下,推出「綠 色金融認證計劃」,2021年再配合政府政策及市場需 要,進一步推出「綠色和可持續金融認證計劃」。我 們十分高興計劃獲得業界的踴躍支持,至今獲證的綠 色和可持續金融發行總額已超過350億美元,發行者來 自銀行、地產界、公用事業、能源、製造等行業,而 獲證個案亦包括香港特區政府和深圳市政府發行的綠 色債券。 from the industry. Up to now, the total issuance amount for certified green and sustainable finance exceeded US\$35 billion. Issuers have come from many different sectors including banking, real estate, public utilities, energy and manufacturing. Green bonds issued by the Hong Kong SAR Government and the Shenzhen Municipal Government have also been certified.

In 2021, HKQAA once again held a recognition programme for green and sustainable finance. The programme aims to encourage organisations to contribute to the implementation of the SDGs and support the development of green and sustainable finance in Hong Kong. It recognises leaders, strategists and organisations that promote the issuance of green and sustainable financial instruments. Thirty-six organisations were recognised in 2021, including banking and financial institutions and corporations from Hong Kong, mainland China and overseas. Thirty-eight leaders and 66 strategists were given awards.

I would like to express our warmest congratulations to all the awarded leaders, strategists and organisations. We believe that their good practices will inspire more enterprises to make an even greater contribution to environmental protection and social development.

enterprises, helping them improve their competitiveness, address challenges and seize opportunities. Let's work together to create a green and sustainable business and investment environment.

為鼓勵更多機構在實踐聯合國可持續發展目標上作出 貢獻,支持香港的綠色和可持續金融發展,本局2021 年再度舉辦綠色和可持續金融的嘉許活動,旨在表揚 致力在香港促進發行綠色和可持續金融工具的機構、 領袖及策略專才。今次共有36間來自香港、內地及海 外的企業、銀行及金融服務機構獲嘉許,並有38位業 界領袖及 66 位精英受表揚。

我謹此向所有獲嘉許機構、領袖及策略專才致以最衷 心的祝賀,並期望他們的良好做法啟發更多企業,為 環保和社會發展作出更大貢獻。未來,本局將繼續協 助企業創優增值,應對挑戰,把握機遇,攜手締造綠 色可持續的營商和投資環境。



## Deputy Chairman's Message 副主席的話



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Since its inception, HKQAA has been committed to providing professional services for the industries and communities to address diverse challenges with innovative solutions. Through knowledge sharing and technology transfer, we help organisations improve their sustainability performance and stay ahead of international trends.

We actively participate in the development of international and national standards. By contributing our research knowledge and experience to sustainability-related standards, we help enhance the overall performance of the industry. Our experts have been nominated by the China National Institute of Standardization and the Innovation and Technology Commission of the HKSAR Government to take part in the development of ISO international standards for green debt instruments and sustainable finance. We were also invited by the National Technical Committee on Certification and Accreditation of Standardization Administration of China to join the national standard's expert drafting groups developing the audit and certification requirements for occupational health and safety and anti-bribery management systems.

We are devoted to promoting sustainable development and responsible investment through conducting research. We publish research reports on sustainable financing in China's Greater Bay Area and books on sustainable development, green finance and social responsibility.

香港品質保證局自成立以來,一直致力提供專業服務, 倡議解決式思維,協助業界及社會應對不同挑戰,並 透過知識分享及技術轉移,推動機構提升可持續發展 表現,走在國際趨勢前端。

本局積極參與國際及國家標準的發展工作,期望將研發所得的知識和經驗,貢獻於可持續發展相關的通用標準上,以助業界優化整體水平。我們的專家分別獲中國標準研究院及香港特區政府創新科技署提名,參與制定有關綠色債務工具及可持續金融的ISO國際標準;我們亦獲全國認證認可標準化技術委員會邀請,委派代表參加國家標準起草專家小組,制定有關職業健康安全及反賄賂的審核與認證能力要求。

我們亦進行與可持續發展及負責任投資相關的研究, 發表中國大灣區可持續發展融資研究報告,以及出版 有關可持續發展、綠色金融及社會責任的書籍,致力 在業界及社區推廣可持續發展。

此外,我們舉辦以「可持續金融及氣候適應·香港 2021」為主題的專題研討會,鋭意推動金融和商業機 構以合規的長遠可持續發展策略,依法管理風險和掌 握機遇。我們十分榮幸邀得香港特別行政區行政長官 林鄭月娥女士擔任主禮嘉賓,以及財經事務及庫務局 局長許正宇先生、環境局副局長謝展寰先生擔任特別 嘉賓。 We organised an annual HKQAA Symposium, which last year was titled "Sustainable Finance and Climate Resilience • Hong Kong 2021". The Symposium aims to encourage financial and commercial organisations to adopt long-term sustainability and compliance strategies for managing risks and seizing opportunities. We were honoured to have the Chief Executive of the HKSAR, Ms Carrie Lam Cheng Yuet-ngor, as the officiating quest, and the Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury, Mr Christopher Hui Ching-yu, and the Under Secretary for the Environment, Mr Tse Chin-wan, as special guests.

In this flagship international symposium, leaders and experts from various organisations shared their insights into the latest trends. Speakers represented the United Nations Environment Programme Finance Initiative (UNEP FI), the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD), the Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI), Hong Kong Monetary Authority, Hong Kong Financial Services Development Council, the International Finance Corporation, the World Bank Group, the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and the Hong Kong financial sector. During the Symposium, HKQAA announced the results of the Hong Kong Green and Sustainable Finance Awards. The awardees shared their good practice, inspiring more enterprises to adopt the concept of sustainability.

We believe that these knowledge sharing and technical exchange activities will encourage more organisations to enhance their knowledge and drive continuous improvement. By leveraging their advantages and professional capabilities, they can bring more benefits to society and the economy, thereby moving towards a sustainable future.

這次國際性專題研討會的演講嘉賓陣容鼎盛,雲集聯 合國環境規劃署金融倡議(UNEP FI)、氣候相關財務 揭露工作小組 (TCFD) 和負責任投資原則 (PRI)、香港 金融管理局、香港金融發展局、世界銀行集團成員國 際金融公司、國際標準化組織 (ISO) 及本地金融業界 的領袖和專家,分享最新趨勢和真知灼見。會上亦公 布了「香港綠色和可持續金融大獎2021」結果,並邀 請獲嘉許機構分享良好做法和心得,期望啟迪更多企 業將可持續發展理念付諸實踐。

我們相信透過這些知識分享和技術交流活動,可以鼓 勵更多機構增進知識,不斷自我完善,從而發揮各自 優勢和專業能力,為整體社會經濟帶更多裨益,一起 邁向可持續發展的未來。



## Chief Executive Officer's Message 總裁的話



**Dr Michael P. H. Lam** 林寶興博士 Chief Executive Officer of HKQAA 香港品質保證局總裁

On behalf of HKQAA, I would like to congratulate the organisations, leaders and strategists given awards in the Hong Kong Green and Sustainable Finance Awards 2021. They have made good use of green and sustainability related financial instruments to encourage more capital flows towards environmental protection and social development. They have enhanced the reputation and competitiveness of their organisation, and promoted the sustainable development of the economy, environment and society. Their good practice will motivate more industry members to follow suit.

The pandemic has made us rethink the importance of sustainable development. Governments are aiming to reshape society in a sustainable way when they formulate recovery policies and measures. As part of this trend, visionary leaders increasingly develop management and investment strategies to handle sustainability risks, meet legal requirements, practice social responsibility and achieve long-lasting success. They are willing to utilise their competitive edge and resources to contribute to sustainable development and address climate change.

As a pioneer in promoting sustainability, HKQAA will take the lead to develop and launch a series of new initiatives in 2022 to align with the Government's climate change strategies. These include the Net-Zero Certificate, the Climate Risk Management Index and the TCFD Reporting Index, as well as training and registration services for green and sustainable finance talent. Our goal is to

我謹代表香港品質保證局,恭賀「香港綠色和可持續金融大獎2021」獲嘉許的所有機構、領袖及策略專才。 他們透過善用綠色和可持續金融工具,引導資金流向 環保及社會發展用途,不但提升了機構自身的聲譽和 競爭力,亦推動了整體社會、經濟及環境的可持續發 展。我相信這些獲嘉許機構的良好做法,將鼓勵更多 業界效法。

自新冠疫情出現後,更多人反思可持續發展這重要課題;各地政府在推動復甦政策和措施時,均希望重塑可持續發展的社會經濟模式。在這大趨勢下,高瞻遠矚的領袖,都會定立可持續發展的風險管理及投資策略,滿足法例法規的要求,實踐社會責任及提升長遠競爭力,並善用其專業優勢和各種資源,為應對氣候變化及促進可持續發展出一分力。

本局作為推動可持續發展的先鋒,將於2022年率先開發及推出一系列嶄新倡議,以配合政府的可持續發展和氣候變化策略,當中包括碳中和證書、氣候風險管理指數、TCFD報告指數,以及綠色和可持續金融專才培訓和註冊等服務。期望這些新倡議,有助銀行和金融機構做好準備,以為滿足最新氣候風險管理和披露監管要求,並可協助上市公司和不同機構制定TCFD報告,更有效地展示碳減排及應對氣候風險的進展和成就。

assist financial institutions and other organisations to fulfil regulatory requirements and demonstrate their progress and achievements in reducing carbon emissions and addressing climate risks.

In addition, we plan to give back to society by establishing a user-friendly knowledge sharing platform online, namely the "LightShare". This will support enterprises, chambers of commerce, associations, educational institutions and social welfare organisations in their capacity building and talent development efforts. The platform will also help finance and other sectors to promote sustainable finance and TCFD reporting, and the management of carbon emissions and climate risk. Additionally, it will help social enterprises and social welfare organisations support disadvantaged groups, and assist those in need to acquire new skills and re-enter the job market, thereby bolstering COVID resilience and recovery in our city.

Under the new normal, HKQAA is committed to developing more innovative and professional services to cope with market and societal needs. Our ultimate goal is to join hands with various sectors to solve their problems and build a more resilient and sustainable world for everyone.

此外,為了回饋社會,本局正開發名為「LightShare」 (「分享易」)的網上智庫平台,鋭意以創新簡便的方 式,支援企業、商會、協會、教育機構及社福團體等, 透過網上知識分享和交流,促進人才及技能培訓。這 平台除了支援銀行、金融及不同行業,推動可持續金 融、TCFD報告編制、碳減排及氣候風險管理外,亦有 助社會企業和社福團體支援弱勢社群,協助有需要人 士獲取新技能並重新投入就業市場,從而加強社會整 體抗疫靭性,促進疫後復甦。

在新常態下,本局將繼續配合業界及社會需要,開發 更多具前瞻性的嶄新服務,致力協助各界解決問題, 一起建構更具韌性和可持續發展的世界。

