Chairman's Message 主席的話

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Promote sustainable finance to support low-carbon economic development 推動可持續金融 支持低碳經濟發展

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) has highlighted in a recent report that climate change is going faster than initially predicted. This reinforces the need for immediate action worldwide to build a sustainable and climate-resilient world. The recent COP 27 summit also reached a consensus on improving climate resilience among the most vulnerable communities and reaffirmed the importance of finance in supporting the global transformation to a low-carbon economy.

Our nation places great importance on the achievement of the "30.60" carbon target and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, and is taking proactive steps towards green transformation and sustainable finance. In Hong Kong, the SAR Government will step up its decarbonisation efforts to achieve the goal of carbon neutrality before 2050, according to the recently released 2023-2024 Budget and the 2022 Policy Address. Our city will also be developed into an international carbon market, as well as a premier financing platform for governments and green enterprises on the Mainland and around the world.

Meanwhile, incorporating sustainability considerations into investment decisions to manage risks and make progress is a growing trend. Forward-thinking organisations must devise strategies that comply with regulations, tackle challenges related to sustainability and climate change, and take advantage of opportunities in the commercial and financial sectors. 政府間氣候變化專門委員會(IPCC)在最近發布的一 份報告中強調,氣候變化問題比預期更迫切,需要全球 立即採取行動,建立一個可持續發展、具氣候適應力的 世界。最近舉行的COP27高峰會也就提高最脆弱社區 的氣候韌性達成共識,並再次肯定金融業在支持全球 低碳經濟轉型方面的重要性。

國家高度重視「30、60」碳中和目標及聯合國可持續發展目標的落實,積極推動綠色轉型和可持續金融的發展。香港特區政府在最近發布的《2023-2024年財政預算案》和《2022年施政報告》中,也表明將加緊各項減碳行動,務求在2050年前實現碳中和目標,並致力在香港建設國際碳市場,發展成為內地及海外政府和綠色企業的首選融資平台。

與此同時,越來越多投資者將可持續發展理念納入投 資決策及風險管理中。富遠見的機構都需要制定不同 策略,以應對氣候和可持續發展的挑戰,滿足監管要 求,並在商業和金融市場上把握機遇。 Since its establishment by the Hong Kong Government as a non-profit public organisation in 1989, HKQAA has been promoting good management practices, environmental protection and responsible investment. As one of the pioneers in fostering sustainable development in the Greater Bay Area, we provide various services to support the sustainability and climate change strategies of the United Nations and the HKSAR Government. These include verification services for sustainability reporting and greenhouse gas emissions, assessment and rating services for the Hang Seng Corporate Sustainability Index Series, and the Net-Zero Certificate Scheme.

In 2018, we launched the Green Finance Certification Scheme to align with Government policies and market needs, and took a further step in 2021 by rolling out the Green and Sustainable Finance Certification Scheme. We are delighted that the Scheme has received a positive response from the industry. Issuers have come from many different sectors including banking, real estate, public utilities, agriculture, culture, energy and manufacturing. The inaugural retail green bond issued by the HKSAR Government, the offshore RMB blue bond and sustainable bond issued by the People's Government of Hainan Province, and the offshore RMB green bonds and blue bonds issued the Shenzhen Municipal People's Government, were also certified by HKQAA in 2022.

Additionally, HKQAA held the Green and Sustainable Finance Award 2022, once again recognising the issuers, enterprises, banks and financial service providers which had made significant progress in generating positive sustainability impacts and contributing to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). We aim to encourage more issuers and service providers to promote the issuance of green and sustainability related financial instruments, supporting Hong Kong's development into a green and sustainable finance hub in the region.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincerest congratulations to all the awarded corporations and organiations. I believe they will play a leading role in encouraging more industry members to contribute to the betterment of the environment and society.

Looking forward, HKQAA will continue to provide a wide range of professional services to promote green financing in the Greater Bay Area, and strive to make Hong Kong a green and sustainable finance hub in the region. Let's work together to create a sustainable future for Hong Kong, Asia and the world, and jointly promote the flourishing of world finance. 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,一直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。作為大灣區內促進可持 續發展的先驅之一,我們通過各種服務支持聯合國及政 府的可持續發展和氣候變化政策,包括可持續發展報告 核查服務、溫室氣體排放核查服務;為恒生可持續發展 企業指數系列提供評級服務,以及開發碳中和證書計 劃等。

2018年,我們推出了綠色金融認證計劃,以配合政府 政策和市場需要,並在2021年進一步推出綠色和可持 續金融認證計劃。我們很高興計劃自推出以來,得到了 業界的踴躍參與,發行者來自許多不同的行業,包括銀 行、房地產、公共事業、農業、文化發展業、能源和製造 業等,而香港特區政府發行的首批綠色零售債券、海南 省人民政府發行的離岸人民幣藍色債券和可持續債券, 以及深圳市人民政府發行的離岸人民幣綠色債券和藍 色債券,也在2022年獲得了香港品質保證局的認證。

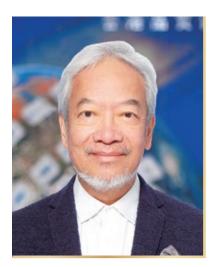
此外,本局今年再次舉辦綠色和可持續金融大獎2022, 以表揚在推動可持續發展和聯合國可持續發展目標 (SDGs)作出貢獻的發行者、企業、銀行和金融服務業 界。我們期望能鼓勵更多發行者、銀行及服務供應者參 與發行綠色和可持續相關的金融工具,支持香港發展成 為區內的綠色和可持續金融中心。

最後,謹此恭賀所有獲獎企業和機構,我相信他們將發 揮領頭角色,鼓勵業界為環境和社會作出更多貢獻。

展望未來,本局將繼續提供多元化專業服務,與各界攜 手推動大灣區綠色金融的發展,努力使香港成為區內綠 色和可持續金融中心,為香港、亞洲和世界創造可持續 發展的未來,共同推動世界金融的蓬勃發展。

Deputy Chairman's Message 副主席的話

Mr Simon Wong Ka Wo, BBS, JP 黃家和先生, BBS, JP Deputy Chairman of HKQAA 香港品質保證局副主席



Foster sustainability through knowledge exchange 透過知識分享 促進可持續發展

Green and sustainable finance has become an essential tool for achieving carbon neutrality and enhancing economic resilience. Governments, corporations and investors worldwide are increasingly prioritising the healthy development of this capital market, in which conformity assessment plays a crucial role. It helps enhance the credibility of green and sustainable financial instruments, build trust among investors and stakeholders, promote best practices and facilitate knowledge exchange among the industries, thereby encouraging the flow of capital towards environmental protection and community development.

As one of the leading conformity assessment organisations in the Greater Bay Area, HKQAA is committed to supporting government policies and social development by providing innovative professional services for organisations. We aim to help the industry to tackle challenges and seize opportunities, such as working with the catering industry to implement a number of enhancement projects; developing registration services for food waste recycling; launching certification schemes on anti-epidemic hygiene measures, elderly services and green and sustainable finance. Apart from this, we strive to help enhance the performance of industries and the sustainable development of society through technology transfer and knowledge sharing.

With this mission in mind, HKQAA held its first Symposium in 2001 to establish a platform for international experts and industry leaders to exchange the latest trends and 緣色和可持續金融已成為實現碳中和,加強經濟韌性的 重要工具,世界各地的政府、企業和投資者亦越來越重 視這個資本市場的健康發展,而合格評定從中發揮了關 鍵作用,有助提高線色和可持續金融工具的可信度,獲 取投資者和持分者的信任,推廣良好做法,促進行業間 的知識交流,從而鼓勵資本流向環保和社區發展用途。

作為大灣區領先的合格評定機構之一,香港品質保證 局致力為機構提供創新的專業服務,支持政府政策和 社會發展,我們亦協助各行業應對挑戰,掌握機遇,例 如與餐飲業合作,推行多個促進業界水平項目;開發廚 餘回收的註冊服務;推出有關衛生抗疫措施、安老服 務、綠色和可持續金融的認證計劃等。此外,通過技術 轉移和知識分享,幫助企業提升績效,促進社會可持續 發展。

我們於2001年舉辦了第一屆香港品質保證局專題研討 會,為國際專家和行業領袖建立了一個互動平台,交流 最新趨勢和新知灼見。經過多年的發展,專題研討會已 經成為我們的旗艦活動,參與者不但可以交流當代管理 知識和良好做法經驗,同時亦能開拓商業機會。 information. After years of development, it has become our flagship event in the region, ensuring that knowledge of contemporary management and experience of commendable good practices are shared, and business opportunities are explored.

In 2022, we held the HKQAA International Symposium "Sustainable Finance and Climate Resilience • 2022", which aimed to inspire organisations to think ahead, helping them develop strategies to fulfil regulatory requirements, address climate and sustainability challenges, and grasp opportunities in commercial and financial markets. At the Symposium, HKQAA announced the results of the Hong Kong Green and Sustainable Finance Awards 2022, which recognised the efforts of organisations and institutions in promoting sustainability. Awardees had the opportunity to share their good practice and experience at the event.

We were honoured to have the Hon John KC Lee, GBM, SBS, PDSM, PMSM, Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, as the officiating guest of the Symposium. We were also privileged to have Mr Lui Tim Leung, Tim, SBS, JP, Chairman, Securities and Futures Commission; Ms Teresa Ko, BBS, JP, Co-vice Chair, IFRS Foundation; Dr Jeffrey Hales, Board Member, International Sustainability Standards Board; Mr Andrew Ferguson, Chief Executive Officer, Asia Pacific Loan Market Association; and Mr Shiqing Tong, Deputy Director General, Guangdong Municipal Financial Regulatory Bureau and other respected speaker to share their valuable insights.

We are delighted that the event attracted online and offline participation of over 1,000 senior executives from government departments, regulatory organisations, Chinese and foreign banking and financial institutions, business associations, academic institutions and green groups. The event was also attended by consuls general and consuls of trade from several Asian countries.

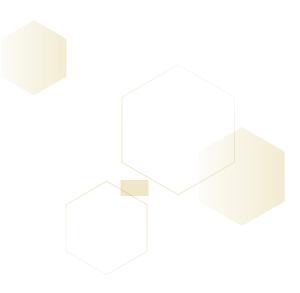
I believe this meaningful event will stimulate organisations to develop new management and financing strategies to further enhance the development of their industries. It is also our hope to bring together ideas and navigate new strategic dimensions to help them achieve long term success, creating both economic and social value in the community.

With a shared commitment to sustainability, we can build a better future for ourselves and for generations to come. 2022年,我們舉辦了香港品質保證局國際專題研討會 「可持續金融及氣候適應•香港2022」,旨在為機構引 入前瞻性思維,啟發他們制定不同策略以滿足監管要 求,應對氣候和可持續發展的挑戰,以及把握商業和金 融市場上的機遇。研討會上亦同場舉行了「香港綠色和 可持續金融大獎2022」的頒授典禮,以表揚組織和機 構在促進可持續發展方面的努力,並邀請獲獎者分享他 們的良好做法和經驗。

我們十分榮幸邀得香港特別行政區行政長官李家超 先生,GBM,SBS,PDSM,PMSM擔任主禮嘉賓。我們亦有 幸邀得香港特區的證券及期貨事務監察委員會主席雷 添良先生,SBS,JP、國際財務報告準則基金會聯席副主 席高育賢女士,BBS,JP、國際可持續發展準則理事會成 員Dr Jeffrey Hales、亞太區貸款市場公會行政總裁範 傑生先生 (Mr Andrew Ferguson)、廣東省地方金融監 督管理局副局長童士清先生,以及多名知名領袖及專家 學者作演講嘉賓,分享他們的寶貴見解。是次研討會反 應十分踴躍,現場及線上共有逾一千位高級行政人員出 席,分別來自政府部門、監管機構、中外銀行和金融機 構、商會組織、學術機構及環保社團等不同界別:並有 多位亞洲地區駐港總領事及經貿領事親身蒞臨活動。

我相信這次研討會將有助推動機構制定新的管理和融 資策略,進一步促進業界的發展,同時也希望集思廣 益,為機構帶來更多新思維,幫助他們取得長遠成功, 為社會經濟創造價值。

只要我們抱持共同的可持續發展信念,必定可以為下一 代締造更美好的未來。



Deputy Chairman's Message 副主席的話

Sr Eddie Lam Kin Wing 林健榮測量師 Deputy Chairman of HKQAA 香港品質保證局副主席



Participate in standard development to improve industrial performance 參與標準制定 促進業界水平

As the pandemic recedes, societies and economies are recovering and rebuilding. Governments around the world have been striving to reshape society in a sustainable way when formulating recovery policies and measures, thereby supporting the realisation of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). As part of this trend, organisations increasingly develop strategies to strengthen business resilience and enhance sustainability performance to tackle challenges under the new normal and align with the Government's climate change and sustainability policies.

HKQAA has been actively engaged with international organisations and various professional bodies to assist enterprises in stepping up the pace of sustainable development. As one of the leading standard setters in the region, we are devoted to participating in the development of international and national standards, exploring important issues with other regional experts and working together to provide guidelines on sustainability performance for the business community.

Our expert was nominated by the China National Institute of Standardisation and the Innovation and Technology Commission of the HKSAR Government to participate in the ISO technical committees developing ISO standards for green debt instruments and sustainable finance. We are also the Observer of the Green Bond Principles. Our goal is to contribute our technical knowledge and experience to the development of international standards to facilitate the sustainable development of global capital markets. 隨著疫情的消退,社會經濟正逐漸恢復,世界各國政府 在制定復蘇政策時,都致力重塑可持續的社會發展模 式,從而實現聯合國可持續發展目標(SDGs)。在這趨 勢下,越來越多機構積極制定策略,加強商業韌性和提 升可持續發展表現,以應對新常態下的挑戰,並配合政 府的氣候變化和可持續發展政策。

香港品質保證局一直致力與不同國際組織和專業團體 合作,協助企業加快實現可持續發展的步伐。作為區內 領先的標準制定者之一,我們積極參與國際和國家標準 的制定工作,與其他地區的專家交流探討重要課題,攜 手為業界提供指引以提高整體的可持續發展表現。

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,同時,我們亦是《綠色債券原則》 的觀察員;期望將研發所得的知識及經驗,貢獻於國際 通用的標準,為推動全球資本市場的可持續發展盡一 分力。 We have also been invited by the National Technical Committee on Certification and Accreditation of the Standardisation Administration of China to join the national standard's expert drafting groups, developing the audit and certification requirements for occupational health and safety, anti-bribery and compliance management systems.

In 2022, the Certification and Accreditation Administration of the People's Republic of China (CNCA) confirmed supporting Shenzhen Administration for Market Regulation, to forge strategic alliance with HKQAA and other bodies to develop carbon footprint label certification for products in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area. We expect the alliance will facilitate the development of green economy in the region, and contribute to the achievement of the country's "Dual Carbon" goals.

We have also established strategic partnerships with regional and international organisations, including International Finance Corporation, a member of the World Bank Group, the government departments of major cities in mainland China, financial organisations and industry associations. HKQAA is determined to make use of our strengths and professional skills to promote green and sustainable finance, and help corporations and organisations face the challenges and opportunities of sustainability.

Apart from the financial industry, we will also support construction companies in coping with challenges and trends. We will provide brand new solutions and conformity assessment services related to Building Information Modeling (BIM), Modular Integrated Construction (MiC), as well as Common Data Environment (CDE). These will drive improvement in effiency and sustainability performance.

In future, HKQAA will work closely with partners and professional bodies and organisations with strategic vision. We will utilise our professionalism to contribute to the sustainable development of the business sector, our community and the planet.

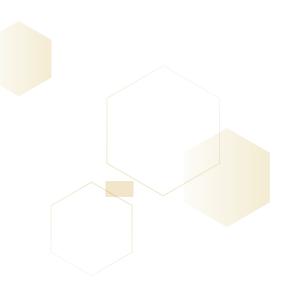
除此之外,我們亦獲全國認證認可標準化技術委員會 邀請,委派代表參加國家標準起草專家小組,制定有關 職業健康安全、反賄賂及合規管理體系的審核和認證能 力要求。

2022年,國家認證認可監督管理委員會(CNCA)支持由 深圳市市場監督管理局牽頭聯同香港品質保證局等單 位,以聯盟方式在粵港澳大灣區開展產品碳足跡標識 認證工作。我們期望這次開展的工作,有助推動區內緣 色經濟發展,支持國家實現雙碳目標。

我們近年更積極與國際及區內機構締結策略性夥伴關 係,當中包括世界銀行集團成員國際金融公司、內地重 點城市的政府部門、金融機構及業界組織等,鋭意結合 各自優勢和專業能力,推動綠色和可持續金融的發展, 協助企業和機構應對可持續發展的挑戰和機遇。

除了金融業外,我們亦會加強與建築業的交流合作,開 發有關建築資訊模型(BIM)、組裝合成建築法(MiC) 及共通數據環境(CDE)的倡議及服務,推動業界透過 嶄新的建築技術,提升效率和可持續發展表現。

未來,本局將繼續與合作夥伴、專業團體和機構緊密合 作,放眼長遠策略,善用自身的專業能力,為商界、社區 和地球的可持續發展作出貢獻。



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



Create sustainable future by providing innovative solutions 提供嶄新解決方案 共創可持續發展未來

On behalf of Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all the organisations recognised in the Hong Kong Green and Sustainable Finance Awards 2022. I believe their good practices in sustainability will be inspirational for other industry members and will contribute to a sustainable future for society.

Climate change and sustainable development have become crucial areas of focus for the commercial and financial sectors worldwide. A report by the United Nations Global Compact in 2021 revealed that climate disruption has driven a shift towards more sustainable business models among CEOs across various industries and regions. The report shows that about one third of CEOs cite investor expectations and capital markets as significant incentives for more rapid climate action. Furthermore, over 70% of CEOs agree that sustainability continues to be an immediate priority as they navigate the challenges stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The finding highlights the growing awareness among business leaders of the urgency of addressing climate change and promoting sustainable practices. As investors increasingly demand sustainability measures, and regulatory bodies impose more requirements, businesses are recognising the importance of integrating sustainable practices into their operations to remain competitive and meet the growing expectations. 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2022」獲嘉許的所有機構。我相信他們在可持 續發展方面的良好做法,將啟迪更多業界效法,為社會 的可持續發展作出貢獻。

氣候變化和可持續發展已經成為商界和金融機構的關 注焦點。聯合國全球契約組織在2021年發布的報告中 指出,氣候變化帶來的破壞和影響,促使世界各地不同 行業,都加快轉型至更可持續發展的商業模式。當中, 約三份之一的行政總裁指投資者及資本市場的期望,成 為他們加快氣候行動的推動力,並有超過七成表示,即 使面對疫情,但對機構來說,推動可持續發展的工作仍 然是當前之急。

這報告突顯了企業管理層對應對氣候變化和促進可持 續發展做法的緊迫性正在不斷提高,隨著越來越多投資 者要求採取可持續發展措施,監管機構也提出了更多的 相關要求,企業亦意識到將可持續發展做法納入其業務 的重要性,以保持競爭力並滿足日益增長的期望。 HKQAA is dedicated to providing solutions for various industries to address sustainability challenges and drive continuous improvement, aiming to shape a sustainable business and investment environment. We have been taking the lead to introduce advanced international standards and launch new initiatives in the areas of social responsibility, sustainability, carbon reduction and green finance, to keep up with market needs and social development.

The Budget 2023-24 newly released by the HKSAR Government indicates that it will continue to support green financing by enterprises and implement measures to promote climate resilience. To support the Government's strategies, HKQAA is now developing a series of new initiatives which will assist financial institutions and organisations to prepare for the fulfilment of the regulatory requirements. We will also launch new services to facilitate and support carbon market development in Hong Kong, and develop certification and assessment services for green and sustainable finance, in alignment with the Government's strategy of strengthening Hong Kong as a regional green and sustainable finance hub.

In addition, HKQAA is developing a user-friendly knowledge sharing platform online, namely the "LightShare", to support the capacity building and talent development of businesses, chambers of commerce, associations, educational institutions, and social welfare organisations. The platform will facilitate the finance and other sectors to promote sustainable finance, carbon reduction, and climate risk disclosure. It will also help social enterprises and social welfare organisations support disadvantaged groups so as to benefit the industry and society as a whole.

In the future, HKQAA will continue to offer solutions for the business community, financial sector and society by embracing new challenges and working with various sectors to create a sustainable world. 香港品質保證局致力為各行各業提供解決方案,推動 他們持續進步,以應對可持續發展的挑戰,鋭意塑造一 個可持續發展的商業和投資環境。我們除了引入先進 的國際標準,亦在社會責任、可持續發展、減碳和綠色 金融等領域,開發創新倡議,以配合市場需要和社會發 展。

最新發佈的香港財政了,預算案2023-2024表明,政府 將繼續支持企業進行綠色融資並繼續推行各項減緩和 適應氣候變化的措施。為支持政府的政策,本局除了制 定一系列新倡議,協助銀行及金融機構做好準備,滿足 相關要求,推出更多新服務,促進香港碳市場的發展 外,亦會繼續推廣綠色及可持續金融相關認證和評審服 務,以配合政府加強香港作為區內綠色和可持續金融樞 紐的策略。

此外,本局正開發「LightShare」(「分享易」)互動智庫 平台,支援企業、商會、協會、教育機構和社福團體等, 促進人才及技能培訓,推動可持續金融、碳減排及氣候 風險披露,亦支持社會企業和社福團體支援弱勢社群, 從而惠及業界和社會。

展望未來,本局將繼續為商界、金融界和社會提供解決 方案,協助他們應對新的挑戰,一起創造可持續發展的 世界。

