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Annual Signature Event “Construction Month 2024” Kicks-off **Along with ZCP Drive to Zero Exhibition** **Series of Events to Construct a Greener Future Together**

Hong Kong • 25 October 2024 – The opening ceremony of Construction Industry Council’s (CIC) annual signature event “Construction Month 2024” and “ZCP Drive to Zero Exhibition” was successfully held today at the CIC-Zero Carbon Park (CIC-ZCP), with Miss Pamela LAM, Deputy Secretary for Development, Development Bureau, Ir Dr. Hon LO Wai-kwok, Legislative Council Member, Ir Prof. Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC, and Mr. Ivan FU, Chairperson of the Zero Carbon Building Management Board officiating the ceremony.

Promote Sustainable Development in Construction Industry

Organised by the CIC, the theme of the Construction Month this year is “Constructing a Greener Future”, which focuses on the importance of safety, practising green construction and sustainable development. Comprising more than 30 captivating programmes, this signature event elevates the public perception of the construction industry, while fostering awareness of carbon neutrality and sustainable green construction.

In his welcome speech, Ir Prof. Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC mentioned, “The theme of Construction Month this year is “Constructing a Greener Future”, with the kick-off event of ZCP Drive to Zero Exhibition. To explore the future of green transport in Hong Kong, the CIC is devoted to promoting e-mobility and advanced technologies of construction industry. Through a series of industry and public activities, we hope to showcase the most advanced technologies and innovative solutions, in laying the solid foundation for the future changing development of the construction industry.”

In her address at the Ceremony, Miss Pamela LAM, Deputy Secretary for Development mentioned, “As Hong Kong strives to achieve carbon neutrality before 2050, the Development Bureau has incorporated important elements of forward-looking innovation and sustainability into the planning and construction of the two key development projects of Hong Kong in future, the Northern Metropolis and the Kau Yi

Chau Artificial Islands.” Making good use of technology is an important part of building a green future. Through the Construction Innovation and Technology Fund, the Government has been supporting the industry to more widely adopt innovative construction methods and technologies for promoting productivity, uplifting build quality, improving site safety and enhancing environmental performance.

Mr. Ivan FU, Chairperson of the Zero Carbon Building Management Board anticipated the CIC-ZCP’s plan to revitalise abandoned pylons in rural areas would extend the concept of sustainable development from CIC-ZCP to community, and the creativity of the new generation will further introduce new elements to the revitalised pylons. Moreover, the first sustainability report of the CIC-ZCP is going to be published, which will demonstrate the CIC-ZCP’s efforts on sustainable development, and highlights the long-term value brought by the CIC-ZCP to stakeholders on the environmental, social and governance aspects.

The event also kicked start the three-day “ZCP Drive to Zero Exhibition”, themed with “Unlocking the Ultimate - Sustainable Mobility” and joined by electric vehicles industry, tertiary institutions and government departments, the exhibition features a number of electric vehicles with cutting-edge technology and design. In addition, different energy solutions and charging stations are unveiled to showcase the latest development of electric mobility.

Connect the Public and Industry with Diversified Activities

The “Construction Month 2024” comprises over 30 events, ranging from “Green Music Flash Mob” and “Low Carbon Movie Night”, “STEAM@ZCP” to offer opportunities for the next generation to learn more about innovative technologies, the “ZCP Green Heroes” Acknowledgement Ceremony to the Construction Experiential Day, etc. Public from all walks of life are welcomed to join with their families and friends to take part in Construction Month to construct a greener future together.

Apart from different activities to promote the low-carbon lifestyle, an eye-catching upcycled art installation, entitled “Butterflies in Motion”, is placed on CIC-ZCP Hallway. As a collaborated art piece created by a group of “Green Heroes” led by an artist, the piece is made out of abandoned electrical wires, iron wires, and vegetable nettings, with the hundreds of butterflies and flowers shown on the art piece highlighting the value of repurposing in sustainable development.

Other industry-signature occasions of the “Construction Month 2024” includes “CIC Global Construction Digitalisation Forum and Exhibition 2024”, which will be held on 29 and 30 October with four major exhibition themes, including “Smart Site Safety System”, “Robotics”, “Digitalisation Platform” and “Research and Innovation”. As for the “CIC Outstanding Contractor Award 2024”, it will be held on 6 November in recognition of the outstanding performance of the industry practitioners.

For more details of the “Construction Month 2024”, please visit:

www.cic.hk/eng/main/construction_month2024/

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About Construction Industry Council

The Construction Industry Council (CIC) was formed in 2007 under the Construction Industry Council Ordinance (Cap. 587). The CIC consists of a chairman and 24 members representing various sectors of the industry including employers, professionals, academics, contractors, workers, independent persons and Government officials.

The main functions of the CIC are to forge consensus on long-term strategic issues, convey the industry's needs and aspirations to the Government, provide professional training and registration services, and serve as a communication channel between the Government and the construction industry.

To learn more about the CIC, please visit website www.cic.hk for further details.

About Construction Industry Council-Zero Carbon Park (CIC-ZCP)

Established in June 2012, the Construction Industry Council Zero Carbon Park (CIC-ZCP) located in 8 Sheung Yuet Road, Kowloon Bay, is home to first zero carbon building in Hong Kong. Developed by the CIC in collaboration with the Hong Kong Government, CIC-ZCP is to serve as an exhibition centre, an education centre and an information centre for zero/low carbon building design and technologies, as well as promoting low carbon living in Hong Kong.

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Miss Pamela LAM, Deputy Secretary for Development, Development Bureau, delivers her opening remarks



Miss Pamela LAM, Deputy Secretary for Development, Development Bureau (2nd left), Ir Dr. Hon LO Wai-kwok, the Member of the Legislative Council (2nd right), Ir Prof. Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC (1st right), and Mr. Ivan FU, Chairperson of the Zero Carbon Building Management Board (1st left) officiate the opening ceremony of “Construction Month 2024”



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CIC-ZCP collaborates with Ms. Agnes PANG, a local environmental protection artist, during “Construction Month 2024”, created an artwork installation inspired by the concept of “sustainable cityscape” with Green Heroes’ participation