



PROGRAMME BOOKLET 2021

# 1. INTRODUCTION

Hong Kong is committed to building a sustainable future and ensuring that our future generations can continue to thrive in a sustainable environment. More and more companies / organisations incorporate environmental practices in their operations to reduce waste, energy, air emission, noise impact and carbon footprint, so as to reduce their impact to the environment and improve the quality of our lives.

The Hong Kong Green Organisation Certification (HKGOC) aims to benchmark green organisations with substantial achievements in green management, to encourage participants to adopt environmental practices in different aspects and to recognise their efforts and commitments to the environment. It is a prestigious certification scheme with high credibility. It also encourages participants to strive for self-improvement in specific environmental aspects. The recognised green organisations will be granted the title of Hong Kong Green Organisation (HKGO) for their achievements in multiple environmental aspects.

# 2. OVERVIEW OF HKGOC

The HKGOC is led by the Environmental Campaign Committee (ECC) alongside the Environmental Protection Department and in conjunction with nine organisations, in alphabetical order, the Advisory Council on the Environment, the Business Environment Council, the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, the Chinese Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong, the Federation of Hong Kong Industries, the Hong Kong Chinese Importers' & Exporters' Association, the Hong Kong Council of Social Service, the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce and the Hong Kong Productivity Council.

Starting from 2020, HKGOC consists of four Certificates, namely "Wastewi\$e Certificate", "Energywi\$e Certificate", "IAQwi\$e Certificate" and "Carbon Reduction Certificate". Information of these four Certificates is summarised in Section 3, whereas full details can be found in individual Guidebooks.

# **Hong Kong Green Organisation Certification**



# 2.1 Benefits of being a HKGO

The HKGO presents companies / organisations with the opportunity to demonstrate their commitment to improve their environmental performance in different aspects. By joining and fulfilling the requirements, HKGOs can enjoy many benefits, such as -

#### Use of the title of HKGO

The title of **HKGO** is synonymous with demonstrating exceptional leadership within the environmental arena and can be used for showcasing members' commitment to green management. Apart from being granted a certificate, the certificate holders would be entitled to use the logo icons for their promotional and publicity purposes within the validity period.



"Hong Kong Green Organisation" stickers will also be granted to the certificate holders, for displaying at the glass doors / windows / other prominent places of their premises, showing to the public or clients their high level of commitment and performance to environmental protection.

### Recognition and Publicity of Environmental Achievements

Becoming a **HKGO** means going green together with the Government to achieve common environmental objectives. The ECC may commend the HKGOs for their efforts through publicity and marketing activities that will make their environmental achievements and contribution known to the public. They may be invited to seminars, events and exhibitions to share their implementation experience and outcomes to the public.

Under suitable opportunities, there may be media coverage arranged for the certificate holders. Such promotional and publicity opportunities are valuable and good means to enhance their corporate image and demonstrate their commitment to the public about their social corporate responsibility.

#### Enhancing Competitiveness

Environmental practices in different aspects help streamline companies / organisations' operations and thereby increase business competitiveness. Furthermore, companies / organisations can also attract those customers who value conducting business with companies that are committed to improving environmental quality, as well as to enhance corporate image.

### Contributing to Environmental Protection

Everyone strives to live a comfortable and enjoyable life. Adopting environmental practices in different aspects can help create a better quality of life for all. Voluntary environmental agreements/charters also provide a means for organisations to support the development of best environmental practices.

# Participating in HKAEE

Certificate holders can also achieve relevant bonus points in the Hong Kong Awards for Environmental Excellence (HKAEE), which is an annual award led by the ECC, aiming to recognise the overall environmental achievements of an organisation. Details of the HKAEE are in the HKAEE Programme Booklet on the HKAEE official website (http://www.hkaee.gov.hk).



# Recognition by Other Environmental Protection Award Programmes and Schemes<sup>1</sup>

## o BOCHK Corporate Environmental Leadership Awards Programme

HKGOs will be given 1 bonus point on top of the full marks of the "BOCHK Corporate Environmental Leadership Awards Programme". For the details, please visit the Programme's website at <a href="http://oneoneone.industryhk.org/main-en.php">http://oneoneone.industryhk.org/main-en.php</a>.

## Caring Company Scheme

HKGOs will be recognised as having fulfilled the criterion on the Caring for the Environment, Criteria 5 – Environmental Label or other recognition under the Caring Company Scheme. For the details, please visit the Caring Company's website at <a href="http://www.caringcompany.org.hk">http://www.caringcompany.org.hk</a>.

## Green Office Awards Labelling Scheme (GOALS)

HKGOs will be recognised as having fulfilled five Green Office Best Practice Criteria under the GOALS. For the details, please visit the WGO's website at <a href="http://thewgo.org/website/eng/goals-green-office">http://thewgo.org/website/eng/goals-green-office</a>.

#### CLP Smart Energy Award

HKGOs will receive five bonus points in the "CLP Smart Energy Award". For the detail details, please visit the CLP's website at

https://www.clp.com.hk/en/my-business/green-plus-programme/recognition.

# Enjoy Discount on Other Green Mark and Label Schemes<sup>1</sup>

# Hong Kong Green Mark Certification Scheme

HKGOs will enjoy discount offers on application fee and quarterly surveillance fee for each first application for "Green Mark" certification. For the details, please visit the FHKI's website at <a href="http://www.qmark.org.hk">http://www.qmark.org.hk</a>.

#### Hong Kong Green Label Scheme

HKGOs will enjoy discount offers on application fee for each first application for "Hong Kong Green Label" certification. For the details, please visit the Green Council's website at <a href="https://www.greencouncil.org/hkgls">https://www.greencouncil.org/hkgls</a>.

Subject to the endorsement of the respective Scheme Organisers.

# 2.2 Eligibility of HKGO

All local companies and organisations as well as their individual functional units that primarily operate within Hong Kong.

### 2.3 Route to HKGO

The applications for HKGOC, including HKGO and the four certificates under, are accepted <u>all year round</u>. All applications are <u>free of charge</u>.

In particular, participants can obtain the certificate of the **HKGO** by demonstrating their environmental practices in multiple aspects through the following three routes –

# **Route 1: Winners of the HKAEE**

The HKAEE winners (i.e. Gold Award, Silver Award, Bronze Award and Certificates of Merit winners) will <u>automatically</u> be granted the title of **HKGO**.

# Route 2: Criteria (1) + (2) + (3)

Organisations / functional units should meet criteria 1, 2 and 3 shown in Table 1 below simultaneously.

# Route 3: Criterion (4) + Charter launched / supported by the Government + Certificate under the HKGOC

Organisations / functional units meeting *criterion 4* (either (4a), or (4b)) in <u>Table 1 below</u> will be eligible to be granted the title of **HKGO** if they have simultaneously signed any one of the environment-related charters<sup>1</sup> launched / supported by the Hong Kong SAR Government <u>and</u> possessed a valid certificate of any one of the Certificates under the HKGOC.

Table 1: Criteria for obtaining the title of "Hong Kong Green Organisation"

Criterion 1	Possesses a valid Wastewi\$e Certificate at the time of application.			
Criterion 2	Possesses any one of the following at the time of application:			
	A valid Energywi\$e Certificate; or			
	(2b) A valid Carbon Reduction Certificate.			
Criterion 3	Achieved any one of the following requirements:			
	(3a) Possesses a valid IAQwi\$e Certificate at the time of application; or			
	Bb) Possesses a Participation Certificate of the HKAEE at the time of application; or			
	(3c) Completed the Stage of Detailed Assessment of the Hong Kong Green Innovations Awards			
	at the time of application; or			
	Having signed any of the environment-related charters <sup>2</sup> launched / supported by the Hong			
	Kong SAR Government at the time of application.			
Criterion 4	(4a) Possesses a valid ISO 14001 / ISO 20121 certificate at the time of application; or			
	(4b) Having been awarded with the commendation "Hong Kong – Guangdong Cleaner			
	Production Partners (Manufacturing)" of the Hong Kong — Guangdong Cleaner Production			
	Partners Recognition Scheme at the time of application.			
* Links of relevant schemes and charters are provided in Appendix I.				

Applicants using **Route 2** and **Route 3** to obtain the **HKGO** shall complete and return the Application Form (HKGOC/01R) in Appendix II. Application should be supported by documents for verifications. The Organisers will vet, endorse and grant the title of **HKGO** to successful applicants on a quarterly basis.

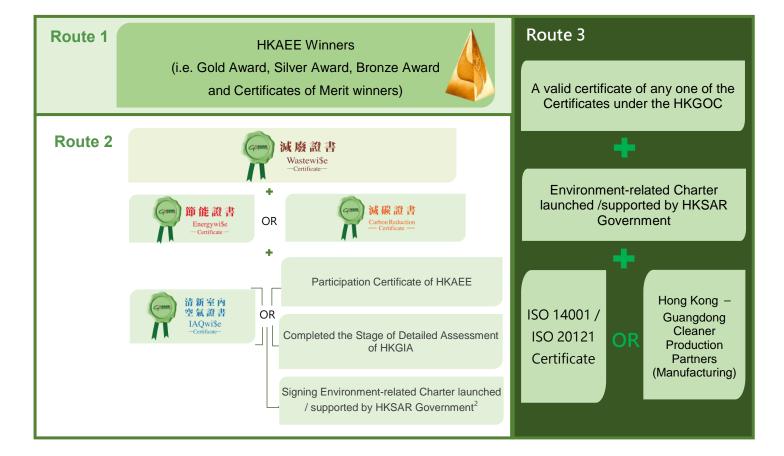
Organisations will <u>automatically</u> be granted the title of **HKGO** through **Route 1**. Organisations that have not received the notification are encouraged to contact the HKGOC Technical Consultant to ensure that the recognition is granted in an orderly and timely manner.

Applicants that have submitted the Application Form but have not yet received an acknowledgement message from the HKGOC Technical Consultant within 7 working days should also contact the HKGOC Technical Consultant to verify if applicable requirements have been met.

Examples of environment-related charters launched and/or supported by the Hong Kong SAR Government include Carbon Reduction Charter, Food Wise Charter, Energy Saving Charter on Indoor Temperature, Energy Saving Charter on "No ILB", Use Less, Waste Less in My Hands, Waste Check Charter, Charter on Proper Operation of Refuse Collection Vehicles, Charter on External Lighting, Energy Saving Charter, 4Ts Charter and Glass Container Recycling Charter, or any charters accepted by the Organisers.

Figure 1 below summarises possible routes for becoming a **HKGO**.

Figure 1: Possible Routes for Becoming a HKGO



# 2.4 Validity and Use of HKGO Title

The title of **HKGO** is valid for <u>two years</u> and can be renewed if the organisations meet the requirements as specified in Section 2.3. Within the validity period, the title holders are entitled to use the title, logo and stickers of **HKGO**, according to the instruction by ECC and the *Guidelines for the Use of "Hong Kong Green Organisation" Title*.



# 3. CERTIFICATES OF HKGOC

Organisations can obtain the title of "**HKGO**" through participating in the Certificate(s) under HKGOC. These Certificates aim to encourage, benchmark and recognise the efforts of organisations in different aspects of environmental initiatives. Table 2 below illustrates their basic features –

**Table 2: Certificates under HKGOC** 









### **Purposes**

- To recognise organisations for attaining a prescribed level and number of environmental initiatives in specified environmental aspects; and
- To encourage continuous self-improvement.

- To recognise organisations for having reduced a verified amount of overall carbon emissions in a building or premises; and
- To encourage continuous selfimprovement.

### **Certificate Category**







Certificate, with % of carbon emissions reduced specified as **N**%.

There is no prescribed limit on the number of Certificates to be issued.

# **Expiry Date**

1 year	2 years	1 year	3 years

# 3.1 Eligibility of Certificates

The eligibility of the four Certificates are given below –

Certificates	Requirements		
减廢證書 Wastewi\$e —Certificate—	All local companies and organisations as well as their individual functional units that primarily operate within Hong Kong.		
節能證書 Energywi\$e — Certificate—			
清新室內空氣證書 IAQwi\$e Certificate-	Offices and indoor public areas of local companies and organisations as well as their individual functional units that primarily operate within Hong Kong.		
減碳證書 Carbon Reduction — Certificate	<ul> <li>Type 1: Specific types of buildings within Hong Kong: residential buildings, commercial buildings, industrial buildings mainly of office – based nature and buildings of institutional purposes;</li> <li>Type 2: Office-based organisations / operational units within Hong Kong; and</li> <li>Type 3: Other non-industrial trades operating within Hong Kong (e.g. wholesalers, importers, exporters, product retailers, hotels, restaurants and cafés, etc).</li> </ul>		



# 3.2 Certification Criteria of the Certificates

# 3.2.1 Wastewi\$e Certificate



Levels	Requirements	Certificate Validity
Basic Level	<ul> <li>Successfully implemented <u>all</u> applicable Mandatory Measures listed in Part I of WW/03R³ with the relevant achievements reported (if applicable); and</li> <li>Successfully implemented <u>at least 40%</u> of applicable non-Mandatory Measures listed in Part II of WW/03R.</li> </ul>	
Good Level	<ul> <li>✓ Successfully implemented <u>all</u> applicable Mandatory Measures listed in Part I of WW/03R with the relevant achievements reported (if applicable); and</li> <li>✓ Successfully implemented <u>at least 60%</u> of applicable Non-Mandatory Measures listed in Part II of WW/03R.</li> </ul>	1 year⁴
Excellent Level	<ul> <li>Successfully implemented <u>all</u> applicable Mandatory Measures listed in Part I of WW/03R with the relevant achievements reported (if applicable); and</li> <li>Successfully implemented <u>at least 80%</u> of applicable Non-Mandatory Measures listed in Part II of WW/03R.</li> </ul>	

Details of WW/03R (Reporting and Assessment Form for Wastewi\$e Certificate) can be referred to the Wastewi\$e Certificate Guidebook.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> For renewal, participants can consider to renew in the same awarded level of requirements or pursue other levels of Certificate according to the requirements listed in Section 3.2.1.





Levels	Requirements	Certificate Validity
Basic Level	<ul> <li>Successfully implemented <u>all</u> applicable Mandatory Measures listed in Part I of EW/03R<sup>5</sup> with the relevant achievements reported (if applicable); and</li> <li>Successfully implemented <u>at least 40%</u> of applicable non-Mandatory Measures listed in Part II of EW/03R.</li> </ul>	
Good Level	<ul> <li>Successfully implemented <u>all</u> applicable Mandatory Measures listed in Part I of EW/03R with the relevant achievements reported (if applicable); and</li> <li>Successfully implemented <u>at least 60%</u> of applicable Non-Mandatory Measures listed in Part II of EW/03R.</li> </ul>	2 years <sup>6</sup>
Excellent Level	<ul> <li>Successfully implemented <u>all</u> applicable Mandatory Measures listed in Part I of EW/03R with the relevant achievements reported (if applicable); and</li> <li>Successfully implemented <u>at least 80%</u> of applicable Non-Mandatory Measures listed in Part II of EW/03R.</li> </ul>	

Details of EW/03R (Assessment and Reporting Form for Energywi\$e Certificate) can be referred to the Energywi\$e Certificate Guidebook.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> For renewal, participants can consider to renew in the same awarded level of requirements or pursue other levels of Certificate according to the requirements listed in Section 3.2.2.



# 3.2.3 IAQwi\$e Certificate

Levels	Requirements	Certificate Validity
Basic Level  Good Level	<ul> <li>Not yet obtained any certificate under the Environmental Protection Department (EPD)'s IAQ Certification Scheme;</li> <li>Committed to participate in the EPD's IAQ Certification Scheme; and</li> <li>Demonstrated improvement on IAQ standards in comparison to past 12 months; or</li> <li>Implemented educational / promotional programmes.</li> <li>Obtained Good Class Certificate under EPD's IAQ Certification Scheme; and</li> <li>Demonstrated further improvement on IAQ standards in comparison to past 12 months; or</li> </ul>	1 year <sup>7</sup>
Excellent Level	Implemented educational / promotional programmes.  ✓ Obtained Excellent Class Certificate under EPD's IAQ Certification Scheme; and  ✓ Demonstrated further improvement on IAQ standards in comparison to past 12 months; or Implemented educational / promotional programmes	

For renewal, participants can consider to renew in the same awarded level of requirements or pursue other levels of Certificate according to the requirements listed in Section 3.2.3.



#### 3.2.4 Carbon Reduction Certificate

Participants	Requirements	Certificate Validity
First-time Participants	Achieved <u>at least 3%</u> reduction in overall carbon footprint against the baseline <sup>8</sup> .	
Participants apply for renewal of certificate <sup>10</sup>	At least maintain the best carbon footprint reduction record among previous year(s) and have achieved at least another 3% reduction in overall carbon footprint against baseline within 3 consecutive years.	3 years <sup>9</sup>

Baseline refers to "baseline total emissions" or "baseline emission as measured by the value of an acceptable ratio indicator".

After submitting the first year carbon emissions report prepared by a Qualified Service Provider (QSP Report), participants will, as a minimum, submit future QSP Reports no longer than a 3-year interval. This means that the minimum requirement for participants is to submit another QSP Report in the fourth year. At the end of the second and third year of each cycle, participants will need to submit an Interim Report. Participants may also opt to submit QSP Reports within the 3-year validity period of the Certificate for early renewal. They should also at least maintain the best carbon footprint record among previous year(s) and have achieved at least another 1% reduction per year in overall carbon footprint against baseline.

For the renewal of Carbon Reduction Certificate, participants should provide a valid and convincing explanation if they cannot further reduce their carbon footprint in the next cycle. To renew the certificate, these participants shall at least maintain the current carbon footprint level and, in addition, implement new measures with education elements. Examples of education elements include printing / using logos with proper user right granted under HKGOC on their letterheads / name cards / websites, etc. to promote HKGOC. The acceptance of explanation and endorsement of such measures are subject to the final approval of the Organisers.

# 4. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND ENQUIRY

# **Acknowledgement**

The Organisers wish to thank the Environment and Conservation Fund for sponsoring the HKGOC.

### **Sponsor**



**Environment and Conservation Fund** 

# **Organisers**



**Environmental Campaign Committee** 



**Environmental Protection Department** 



Advisory Council on the Environment



**Business Environment Council** 



Federation of Hong Kong Industries



Hong Kong Productivity Council



Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce





The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce



The Chinese Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong



The Hong Kong Chinese Importers' and Exporters' Association



The Hong Kong Council of Social Service

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# **Appendix I: Useful Links**

#### Hong Kong Awards for Environmental Excellence (HKAEE)

For details of the HKAEE, please visit the official website at

http://hkaee.gov.hk/english/hkaee/hkaee awards/hkaee awards.html

#### Hong Kong Green Innovations Awards (HKGIA)

For details of the HKGIA, please visit the official website at

http://hkaee.gov.hk/english/hkaee/hk\_green\_innov\_awards/green\_innov\_awards.html

#### **Carbon Reduction Charter**

For details of the Carbon Reduction Charter, please visit the Environmental Protection Department website at <a href="https://www.climateready.gov.hk/page.php?id=133&lang=1">https://www.climateready.gov.hk/page.php?id=133&lang=1</a>

#### **Food Wise Charter**

For details of the Food Wise Charter, please visit the Food Wise Hong Kong Campaign website at <a href="http://www.foodwisehk.gov.hk/en/food-wise-charter.php">http://www.foodwisehk.gov.hk/en/food-wise-charter.php</a>

#### **Energy Saving Charter on Indoor Temperature**

For details of the Energy Saving Charter on Indoor Temperature, please visit the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department website at

http://www.energysaving.gov.hk/indoortemperature/2015/en/charter/index.html

#### **Energy Saving Charter on "No ILB"**

For details of the Energy Saving Charter on "No ILB", please visit the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department website at <a href="http://www.energysaving.gov.hk/no-ilb/en/charter/about\_charter/index.html">http://www.energysaving.gov.hk/no-ilb/en/charter/about\_charter/index.html</a>

#### Use Less, Waste Less in My Hands Charter

For details of the Use Less, Waste Less in My Hands charter, please visit the Environmental Campaign Committee website at <a href="http://www.ecc.org.hk/english/resources">http://www.ecc.org.hk/english/resources</a> forms/resources forms.html

### Charter on Proper Operation of Refuse Collection Vehicles (Chinese Version Only)

For details of the Charter on Proper Operation of Refuse Collection Vehicles (Chinese Version Only), please visit the Environmental Protection Department website at

http://www.epd.gov.hk/epd/tc\_chi/environmentinhk/waste/prob\_solutions/rcv\_charter.html

### **Charter on External Lighting**

For details of the Charter on External Lighting, please visit the Environment Bureau website at http://www.charteronexternallighting.gov.hk/en/index.html

#### Hong Kong - Guangdong Cleaner Production Partners Recognition Scheme

For details of the Hong Kong – Guangdong Cleaner Production Partners Recognition Scheme, please visit the official website at <a href="http://www.cleanerproduction.hk/en\_index.asp">http://www.cleanerproduction.hk/en\_index.asp</a>

#### **Energy Saving Charter & 4Ts Charter**

For details of the Energy Saving Charter & 4Ts Charter, please visit the Environment Bureau website at <a href="http://www.energysaving.gov.hk/en/home/index.html">http://www.energysaving.gov.hk/en/home/index.html</a>



## Appendix II · Application Form for Hong Kong Green Organisation

Organisations usi	ng Route 2 and Route 3 may complete and subm	nit the Application	n Form witl	h supporting docume	ent by email or post.
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Criterion 3 ☐ (3a) a valid IAQwi\$e Certificate (Membership no. :IAQ) ☐ (3b) a Participation Certificate of HKAEE (Year(s) of Participation:) ☐ (3c) Completed the Stage of Detailed Assessment of HKGIA (Year(s) of Participation:) ☐ (3d) Signed Environment-related Charters launched / supported by HKSAR Government (Name of Charters:)  Criterion 4 ☐ (4a) Obtained valid ISO 14001 / ISO 20121 certificate* (*delete if inappropriate)		)			
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<ul> <li>☐ Mass media (e.g. TV and newspaper)</li> <li>☐ Social Media (e.g. Facebook, Youtube and Instagram)</li> <li>☐ Roving exhibitions</li> <li>☐ Through the Technical Consultant</li> <li>☐ Referral from another company/organisation (Please speciof the company/organisation:</li> <li>☐ Outdoor advertisement or posters</li> </ul>		y the name	☐ Exper Orgar ☐ Throu Enviro Greer ☐ Throu	gh participation in Ho onmental Excellence o Innovations Awards	ong Kong Awards for (HKAEE) or Hong Kong s (HKGIA) bers/trade associations
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Please immediately call the HKGOC Hotline (Tel:2788 5903) if no acknowledgement of application is received within 7 working days from the date of

The HKGOC Technical Consultant (Hong Kong Productivity Council, HKPC) has adopted a Personal Data (Privacy) Policy. You may contact HKPC's Personal Data Controlling Officer for further details. You have the right to request access to, and amend your personal data in relation to your application. If you wish to exercise these rights, please send email to: edm@hkpc.org.

### CONSENT STATEMENT

I hereby declare that the information given above is accurate to the best of my knowledge, and agree that all decisions made by the Organisers (i.e. Environmental Protection Department and Environmental Campaign Committee and its Secretariat) are final and binding in all aspects relating to the HKGOC.

I agree that personal data (including name, phone number, correspondence address and email address) provided by me will be used for the purpose of the administration,

evaluation and management of my application. I understand if I cannot provide the relevant personal data, the assessment of my application by the Organisers and the Technical Consultant may be affected.

HKGOC Technical Consultant (Hong Kong Productivity Council, HKPC) intends to use the personal data (including your name, phone number, correspondence address and email address) that you have provided to promote the latest development, consultancy services, events and training courses of HKPC. Should you find such use of your personal data not acceptable, please indicate your objection by ticking the box below.

□ I object to the proposed use of my personal data in any marketing activities arranged by HKGOC Technical Consultant (HKPC).

The Environmental Protection Department (EPD) and/or the Environmental Campaign Committee (ECC) and its Secretariat also intend to use the personal data (including your name, phone number, correspondence address and email address) that you have provided to promote the latest development, policies, activities and schemes of the EPD and /or the ECC. Should you find such use of your personal data not acceptable, please indicate your objection by ticking the box below.

□ I object to the proposed use of my personal data in any marketing activities arranged by the EPD and/or the ECC and its Secretariat.

# **Data Retention Policy**

This policy stipulates the kinds of personal data collected, means of collecting personal data, duration of retention, ways of using the personal data and data security measures for the HKGOC.

# 1. Purpose of collection of personal data

The personal data provided in the Application Form and Assessment and Reporting Form for the HKGOC will be used for the following purposes –

- (a) for the administration, evaluation and management of the application for HKGOC by the Technical Consultant(s) of the HKGOC; and
- (b) for the promotion of latest environment-related development, policies, activities and schemes by the Environmental Protection Department and/or the Environmental Campaign Committee and its Secretariat.

#### 2. Category of personal data

Each participating company / organisation of HKGOC is asked to provide the (i) name, (ii) phone number, (iii) correspondence address and (iv) email address of a contact person ("Contact Person") in the Application Form and Assessment and Reporting Form of HKGOC.

#### 3. Means of collection

The provision of personal data by the Contact Person in the HKGOC Application Form and Assessment and Reporting Form is voluntary. The HKGOC Application Form and Assessment and Reporting Form can be submitted by email. If participating companies / organisations of HKGOC do not provide sufficient information, the processing of their applications may be affected.

#### 4. Access to Personal Data

Each Contact Person has the right to request access to and correction of his/her personal data as stipulated in the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (Chapter 486). Enquiries concerning the personal data collected by means of the HKGOC Application Form and Assessment and Reporting Form should be addressed to edm@hkpc.org.

#### 5. Duration of retention

The personal data collected from the Contact Person will be erased or destroyed 24 months after the completion of the assessment of HKGOC each year.