



OCBC Hong Kong, CIC and HKGBC Announce Green Finance Collaboration

*CIC Green Product Certification Scheme Earns Recognition in the
OCBC SME Sustainable Finance Framework*

Hong Kong, 6 March 2026 – OCBC Bank (Hong Kong) Limited (“OCBC Bank Hong Kong”), The Construction Industry Council (CIC) and the Hong Kong Green Building Council (HKGBC) have announced a partnership to accelerate the green transformation of Hong Kong’s construction industry. Under the collaboration, products certified at Platinum or Gold ratings under the CIC Green Product Certification Scheme (CIC GPC), will be recognised under the OCBC SME Sustainable Finance Framework (“OCBC SME SF Framework”). Eligible borrowers may leverage this certification to apply for green financing from OCBC Hong Kong, supporting the financial needs of certified green building materials across manufacturing, distribution, and procurement, and channelling financial support into the industry’s sustainable development.

The announcement was jointly made by the OCBC Hong Kong, CIC and HKGBC and at the CIC Green Product Certification – Green Product Forum and Exhibition (the Forum). Held on 9 February at the Jockey Club Environmental Building, the Forum, co-organised by the CIC and the HKGBC, brought together nearly 100 industry practitioners for green product tours, presentations, and an engaging panel discussion.

Ms Celina CHAN, Head of Sustainability & Sustainable Finance at OCBC Hong Kong, announced that products achieving Platinum or Gold ratings under the CIC GPC will be recognised under the OCBC SME SF Framework. Ms CHAN added “We are grateful that OCBC has been named the ‘Best Sustainable Finance Bank in Hong Kong’ by Global Finance for 3 years in a row. The Bank is committed to supporting the SME green transition. To date we have helped over 1,400 SMEs in Hong Kong and Macau with our sustainable financing through our unique tools and solutions.”

The Forum’s panel discussion brought together stakeholders from across the ecosystem to review industry developments and explore opportunities for collaboration that can accelerate the green transformation of the built environment.

OCBC Hong Kong further shared how financial institutions can better support developers and suppliers in adopting green procurement and sustainable supply chain practices. Real estate developers highlighted a growing adoption of green building materials in construction, many of which now attain Platinum ratings under the CIC GPC. Electrical product suppliers also showcased examples of innovative, energy-efficient technologies integrated into green products, underscoring the role these advancements play in supporting the path toward carbon neutrality by 2050.

The CIC Green Product Certification Scheme is owned by the CIC, and operated by the HKGBC. Launched in 2019, it provides manufacturers, suppliers, contractors, and developers with a public and transparent platform to identify and procure green products and materials. Its website serves as a one-stop platform for industry professionals and the public to learn about application details and browse certified green materials and eco-products. For more details, please visit: <https://cicgpc.hkgbc.org.hk>

Photos



Ar. Clarence LEUNG, Council Member and Chairperson of the Committee on Environment and Sustainability of the CIC (2nd left), Ar. Dr Tony IP, MH Member of the Industry Standards and Practices Committee of the HKGBC (2nd right), Ms Celina CHAN, Head of Sustainability & Sustainable Finance at OCBC Hong Kong (1st left), and Ms Jocelyn ZHU, Director of Sustainable Finance at OCBC Hong Kong (1st right), join together for a group photo at the Forum.



Ir Harry LAI, BBS, Executive Director of the HKGBC (4th left), Ar. Dr Tony IP, MH, Member of the Industry Standards and Practices Committee of the HKGBC (1st left), and Ms Jocelyn ZHU, Director of Sustainable Finance at OCBC Hong Kong (3rd left), join a group photo with the panellists of the panel discussion.