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**ZCB Won Prestigious International Environmental Award**

**Hong Kong · 31 July 2015** – ZCB has won the **National Energy Globe Award Hong Kong 2015**, an international environmental award, from the Austria-based Energy Globe Foundation. The award ceremony was held on Friday, 31 July 2015 at ZCB in Kowloon Bay. Mr. Christian H. SCHIERER, Consul, Head of ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA and Regional Trade Commissioner presented the Award to Chairman LEE Shing-see of the Construction Industry Council. The Hon. WONG Kam-sing, Secretary for the Environment, attended as the Guest of Honour.

**The Energy Globe** is one of today's most important environmental awards with 177 participating countries and annually more than 1,500 project entries. It recognises resource-conservation projects regionally, nationally, and globally. It aims to promote awareness and application of sustainable and innovative environmental solutions.

**ZCB** is Hong Kong's first zero carbon building. It showcases over 80 eco technologies that harness renewable energy or boost energy efficiency. Its landscaped area features an urban native woodland that absorbs carbon dioxide. ZCB is an exhibition, education, and outreach facility, as well as a public park. With its innovative building design and advanced eco technologies, ZCB has been chosen as the national winner of Hong Kong this year. More about the project can be found on [zcb.hkcic.org/Eng/index.aspx](http://zcb.hkcic.org/Eng/index.aspx) or [www.energyglobe.info](http://www.energyglobe.info).

“This award is a great recognition of our work to promote zero carbon buildings to the construction industry and low carbon living to the community,” Chairman LEE said.

“In today's innovation-driven economy, eco technologies present us with tremendous business opportunities,” Consul SCHIERER said. “ZCB's much deserved recognition from Energy Globe Foundation opens the doors for deepening bilateral relations between Hong Kong and Austria in this area.”

This is the fifteenth recognitions/awards ZCB has won for its innovation and environmental performance since its inauguration in 2012. The ZCB has so far welcomed approximately 40,000 visitors from Hong Kong and abroad.



(From left) Mr. Christian H. SCHIERER, Consul, Head of ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA and Regional Trade Commissioner; The Hon. WONG Kam-sing, Secretary for the Environment; Ir LEE Shing-see, Chairman of the Construction Industry Council



(From 4<sup>th</sup> left to 11<sup>th</sup> left) Dr. Christopher TO, Executive Director of the CIC; Mr. CHEUNG Hau-wai, CIC Council Member; Mr. Christian H. SCHIERER, Consul, Head of ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA and Regional Trade Commissioner; The Hon. WONG Kam-sing, Secretary for the Environment; Ir LEE Shing-see, Chairman of the Construction Industry Council; Mr. CHAN Fan, Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services, Ir Colin CHUNG, ZCB Board Member; Dr. LI Guiyi, Director of ZCB; posed for a photo with representatives of Project Team of building ZCB

### **About Construction Industry Council (CIC)**

The Construction Industry Council (CIC) was formed on 1 February 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 Government, provide training and registration for the construction workforce and serve as a communication channel for Government to solicit advice on all construction-related matters.

Please visit [www.hkcic.org](http://www.hkcic.org) for further details.

### **About ZCB**

Zero Carbon Building is a charitable company established by the CIC to manage and operate ZCB. Developed by the CIC in collaboration with the Hong Kong Government, ZCB is Hong Kong's first zero carbon building. It aims to showcase the state-of-the-art eco-building design and technologies to the construction industry locally and internationally and to raise the community's awareness of low carbon living. It serves as a platform for the construction industry to share knowledge and expertise in low carbon building design and technologies, and provides the public with a greenery leisure space for enjoyment.

Guided tours of ZCB can be booked online. For further information, please visit <http://zcb.hkcic.org>.

### **About ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA**

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and investors relations between Austria and Hong Kong, Macau SARs and the People's Republic of China. ADVANTAGE AUSTRIA offers a comprehensive range of support services for Austrian and Chinese businesses provides guidance for growth and is THE One-Stop-Shop with regard to FDIs.

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