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Live Well.  
Keep Calm.  
Stay Alert.  
**Don't Get Scammed.**

HLF thwarts impersonation scam.

*These quick-thinking ladies from HLF's Hougang Branch saved a customer from an impersonation scam, and received the "Star Service Award" from HLF for their vigilant efforts. (L-R): Senior Customer Service Assistant Ms Angie Khor; Asst. Customer Service Officer Ms Teh Leng Leng, Senior Officer Ms Cindy Gan; Customer Service Officer Ms Lim Siew Tin; and Branch Manager Ms Chai Wan Ling.*

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**It can happen to anyone. Scams succeed because they look like the real thing and catch you off guard when you are not expecting it. With the number of reported scam cases on the rise, it is important to be alert, stay calm, know who you are dealing with, and keep your personal details secure.**

**Hong Leong Finance shares a real-life case that happened to one of their customers.**

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The top priority at Hong Leong Finance (HLF) is to ensure a safe and trusted banking environment for all customers. Initiatives like website alerts warn customers of scam calls and voice phishing. HLF educates customers how to spot signs of threats at their branches and various customer touch points. A Fraud Awareness Team was also set up to keep employees updated with lessons that can be learnt from different scam cases. The following is an example of such a case.

#### ***Vigilant staff thwarts impersonation scam***

Madam Neo (not her real name) received a call from a foreign number with a prefix +86 on her mobile phone. The caller claimed to be an Investigation Officer from China and said cards had been used overseas by criminals. Claiming to aid in the investigation, the caller told Madam Neo they were required by authorities to report their daily whereabouts and consolidate their savings into a single bank account. The caller then proceeded to instruct her to transfer her funds into one account.

Madam Neo panicked. She went to HLF's Hougang Branch and requested to withdraw all her fixed deposits (FD) into one savings account so she can give it to "him". When probed who is "he" and the reason to withdraw her FDs prematurely, she was vague and elusive but remained insistent on the withdrawal.

The team at the branch is familiar with Madam Neo's transactional pattern. They knew she did not need excessive funds and always renewed her FDs upon maturity. Coupled with her unusual behaviour, they were immediately on the alert. They immediately suspected that she was a victim of a scam, contacted her next-of-kin to make further checks, and finally lodged a police report.



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Madam Neo's accounts were also promptly put on hold, and HLF was able to safeguard her from falling prey to scammers and prevent monetary loss.

## 6 Tips To Prevent Scams

- 1. Spot the signs:** Recognise the tactics that scammers use.
- 2. Stop and think:** Ask yourself or others if a statement, message or job offer could be true.
- 3. Slow down, don't rush:** Do not rush into providing your personal or banking details.
- 4. Speak to others:** Check with others to verify the authenticity of a claim before doing anything.
- 5. Safeguard personal details and passwords:** Never disclose personal information, even if the request appears to be legitimate.
- 6. Seek help:** Talk to friends or family members for advice or support if you have been impacted by a scam.



*Hongang Branch of Hong Leong Finance.*



1st February, 1958.  
Arsenal 4-5 Manchester United.  
(MUFC in white).  
Duncan Edwards (far left) crosses to  
Dennis Viollet (center), and Tommy Taylor.  
The Busby Babes offensive attack was in  
full display, in front of 63,000 at Highbury.  
The Munich Air Disaster would occur  
five days later, claiming the lives of  
Edwards, Taylor, and 6 teammates.



## Legendary Footballer Duncan Edwards Remembered In Stained Glass Window At Copthorne Merry-Hill Dudley

*The late Manchester United footballer Duncan Edwards (far left) in his final match in England which took place on 1 February 1958, when he scored the opening goal to help United defeat Arsenal 5-4 at Highbury. He was one of the Busby Babes, the young United team formed under manager Matt Busby in the mid-1950s. The Munich Air Disaster occurred five days later. (Photo credit: Billsportsmaps.com)*

A stunning new addition was made to the Duncan Edwards Room at Dudley's Copthorne Hotel when a replica of the stained-glass window in St Francis Church was unveiled.

The event was hosted by Jim Cadman, chairman of Duncan Edwards United, who for the past 20 years has worked on keeping the Manchester United and England footballer's legacy alive in the Black Country and beyond.



*Members of the Manchester Munich Memorial Foundation taking a photo with Mr Jim Cadman, Chairman of Duncan Edwards United (front row in the centre wearing glasses) next to the new stained-glass window of legendary Manchester United footballer Duncan Edwards, in the Duncan Edwards Room at the Copthorne Merry-Hill Dudley Hotel.*



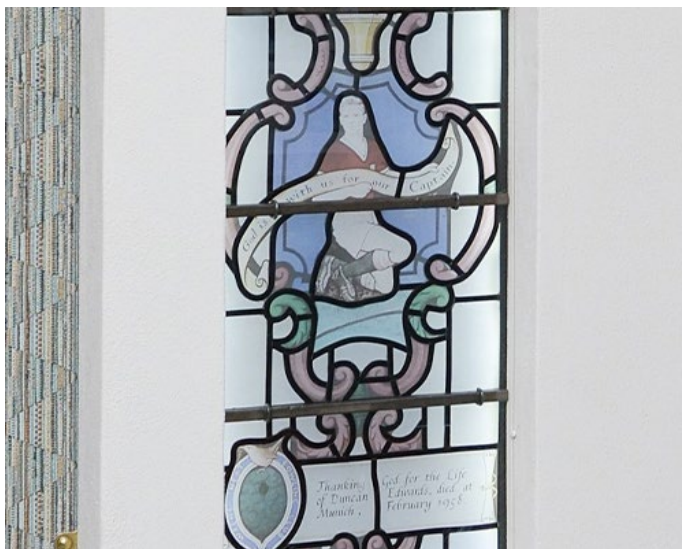
*From left: Mr Cadman; Duncan Edwards' cousin, Ms Betty Cooksey; artist of the window Mr Steve Melgie Merry; and Mr Pat Burns, Chairman of the Manchester Munich Memorial Foundation.*

Also present at the unveiling were artist Steve Melgie Merry, Duncan's cousin Betty Cooksey, Revd Canon Hugh Burton, the Rector of Dudley, members of the Manchester Munich Memorial Foundation and team-mates from Edwards' schooldays.

The original stained-glass window at St Francis Church shows Edwards memorialised in United and England kit with the words 'God is with us for our Captain' and 'Though there be many members yet is there one body' adorning ribbons across his chest. Underneath the depiction of Edwards in United's red and white kit, an inscription reads: 'Thanking God for the Life of Duncan Edwards, died at Munich, February 1958.'

The late Duncan Edwards is widely regarded as one of the greatest footballers of all time, but his career tragically ended when he became a victim of the Munich air disaster in February 1958 that claimed the lives of 23 on board, including eight Manchester United Football Club (MUFC) players. He was aged 21.

The football world came together in grief and support of United, who lost eight players, and St Francis Church, which is located on the Priory estate where Edwards spent his childhood, made an appeal for Football League sides to help finance a stained-glass memorial to their local hero.



A close-up look beneath the left panel of the replica stained-glass window reads an inscription: 'Thanking God for the Life of Duncan Edwards, died at Munich, February 1958.'



The original stained-glass window at St. Francis Church in Dudley, Worcestershire. (Photo credit: Billsportsmaps.com)

Manchester United, Brentford, Crystal Palace and Wrens Nest Bowling Club responded to the plea and their individual crests are incorporated into the window, which was unveiled in 1961 by Sir Matt Busby, United's manager at the time of the tragedy.

Hugh Burton said: "I am fortunate to see the original stained-glass window most days and it was remarkable to view the craftsmanship and likeness of the replica to the original.

"We will continue to welcome visitors to St Francis Church to see the original window but this new installation gives hotel visitors the chance to find out more about Duncan's life and career.

"The unveiling was also an opportunity to meet the dedicated people connected with Duncan Edwards United and I look forward to working with them to help keep his legacy alive."



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A buffet spread complete with memorabilia of Duncan Edwards that details his life, career and legacy.



Duncan Edwards died at the age of 21.



## Exciting New Look And Concepts Coming To You From Phuket's Jungceylon

Phase One to open in Nov  
2022

*Jungceylon Mall will be embarking on a revamp after 15 years of operation. Located in the heart of Patong, Phuket in Thailand, the new mall is conceptualised as the "Oasis of Patong" and will boast a range of exciting new lifestyle attractions as Phuket's shopping paradise.*

**Jungceylon, one of Phuket's largest malls in the vibrant Patong neighbourhood, is preparing to undergo major renovation works from 2022 to 2023, transforming the mall into the Oasis of Patong. The mall will be a one-stop shopping paradise encompassing fresh and immersive concepts that will enhance the shopping experience in this lively and convenient locale.**

**The first phase, The Botanica is scheduled to open in November 2022.**

"Since opening its doors 15 years ago, Jungceylon has been a shopping and leisure landmark in Phuket," said Mr. Prawit Janyasitthikul, Chief Executive Officer of Phuket Square Co. Ltd. which manages Jungceylon.

"As one of the first few retail malls to open in Phuket, Jungceylon has played a key role in modernising the Patong area. In pre-pandemic times, the mall welcomed over 17 million shoppers annually. This year, the company has prepared a major two-phase renovation plan throughout the shopping centre, covering over 55 rai or approximately 200,000 square metres. In the first phase, the mall's interior will undergo upgrading works at all the zones. The target reopening of the mall, following the completion of the first phase, is in the fourth quarter of 2022. For the second phase, works will be carried out to the external façade with the official opening slated for December 2023," he said.



Mr. Prawit Janyasitthikul, Chief Executive Officer of Phuket Square Co. Ltd. which manages Jungceylon, said the makeover will mark a significant asset enhancement initiative since the mall opened in 2006.

## New concept and attractions

Describing the new concept, Mr Prawitt said, "With the revamp, we will transform Jungceylon into a shopping oasis in Patong. In line with our vision of a new shopping experience in the heart of Patong, the mall's interiors will be embraced by lush greenery, and shoppers will enjoy a relaxed, comfortable and fresh environment. Beautiful gardens and big fountains inside the shopping centre will harmoniously combine naturalness with architecture in the perfect form of a 'Tropical Resort Mall'. The nature theme will cover four zones: The Jungle, The Bay, The Botanica, and The Garden, which will house new stores and services, including a cluster of fashion shops, family restaurants and spots for hangouts."



First phase of the revamp, The Botanica (pictured above) is one of four zones in Jungceylon's brand new concept that will house an adventure park, a hypermarket, cinema, Robinsons department store, and more. It is scheduled to open in November 2022.



Lush greenery like gardens and fountains will fill the mall's interiors for a relaxed, comfortable and fresh shopping experience.





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New attractions will also be added to enliven the spaces.

- **LOVE EAT:** This new restaurant zone is decorated in the style of a courthouse, blending nature and culture perfectly. Spanning an area of over 3,000 square metres, it will introduce a unique "Digital Delicious" experience, where the real and the virtual worlds meet – a first in Thailand under the EAT & PLAY concept. Serving innovative digital dining experiences that combine the science of fine dining cooking with the art of technology beyond imagination and the technique of blending information from the real world and the virtual world, this Sensory Experience will showcase internationally recognised works across all dimensions.
- **Digital Amusement:** Spread across more than 2,000 square metres of space, this interactive digital show is the first in Thailand. It will convey experiences through mixed reality and virtual world technology. Visitors can experience the fun and excitement in digital art through different concepts in each exhibition area. For instance, at the Culture Zone, Thailand's traditions, arts and culture will be showcased in a unique digital light show. There will also be zones for Art, Fashion, Adventure, Games, and more.
- **Tourist Service Centre:** A new one-stop service centre for tourists, offering information and other services such as the booking of taxi services, airport shuttle bus, air ticket reservations, advance airline check-in, currency exchange services, mobile phone and internet SIM sales points, luggage storage services, and others.

With its plethora of offerings, the company expects Jungceylon to be a must-visit shopping destination for both locals and tourists in the heart of Phuket.

City Developments Limited (CDL) holds a 49% interest in the mixed-use development that comprises Jungceylon Shopping Mall and Millennium Resort Patong Phuket. They are located in the commercial area of Patong, Phuket Island in Thailand.

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## Hong Leong Developers Announce Pipeline Of Singapore Property Developments For 2022-2023

*Executive condominium Copen Grand sits in Tengah Town, the first town that is planned by Singapore's Housing Development Board to focus on green, sustainable features and community-centric spaces. Copen Grand is slated for launch in Q4 2022.*

Aspiring homeowners will soon have their pick of the crop as Hong Leong Group's developers, City Developments Limited (CDL), Hong Leong Holdings (HLHL) and TID Residential Pte. Ltd (joint venture between Hong Leong Holdings and Mitsui Fudosan) announce their pipeline of property developments for the year 2022 to 2023. Let's have a quick look at what is to come, and you can decide! Please click [here](#) for more information on CDL's investments in the living sector.

### Copen Grand

Jointly developed by CDL and joint venture partner, MCL Land, the 639-unit Executive Condominium (EC) project will be in Tengah Town - Singapore's first smart and sustainable precinct. The project is within walking distance of three upcoming MRT stations along the Jurong Region Line and is near the Jurong Innovation District and Jurong Lake District. Designed with sustainability in mind, the project is the first Building and Construction Authority (BCA) Green Mark Platinum Super Low Energy EC in Singapore.

**Expected launch: Q4 2022**



## Newport Residences

Formerly known as Fuji Xerox Towers, freehold project Newport Residences (estimated 246 residential units) will be part of a mixed-use development with commercial space and serviced apartments named Newport Plaza and Newport Tower respectively. Located in the heart of Singapore's Central Business District in Tanjong Pagar, transportation is a breeze via Anson Road and Keppel Road, several MRT stations and various amenities nearby.

**Expected launch: 1H 2023**



## 798 & 800 Upper Bukit Timah Road

With about 408 units, the 99-year leasehold project is a hop and skip away from Cashew MRT station. Future residents will find it a breeze to commute across all parts of Singapore via the station's Downtown Line. The Bukit Timah area is a highly sought-after private residential address by many investors and by many investors and Singaporeans with bungalows, high-end condominiums and reputable schools in the area.

**Expected launch: 1H 2023**



## Jalan Tembusu

Located near the upcoming Tanjong Katong MRT Station, this 99-year leasehold project is estimated to have about 638 units with popular schools like Tanjong Katong Primary School and Canadian International School in the vicinity. The development is also near eateries in the Katong and East Coast Park areas.

**Expected launch: 1H 2023**





## Lentor Hills Residences

Jointly developed by HLHL, GuocoLand and TID, the 598-unit Lentor Hills Residences is tucked in serene surroundings on a 99-year leasehold site within the Lentor Hills Estate, planned to be a sustainable and pedestrian-friendly neighbourhood in the future. A childcare centre will be available on-site. Residents will also enjoy nearby parks and nature reserves, commercial, F&B and retail options, and a supermarket across the road.

**Expected launch: 1H 2023**



## K Parcel

Located along Flora Drive, this 280-unit freehold development along Flora Drive (in front of The Jovell) will be the latest residential project by Tripartite Developers (HLHL, CDL and TID). The site is located near the new Tampines East MRT Station with easy access to Changi Airport, Changi Business Park, Downtown East, and expressways to the city. Nearby amenities include Tampines Mall, Loyang Point, White Sands Mall, Giant supermarket and IKEA.

**Expected launch: 2H 2023**



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## CDL Awarded GLS Site At Bukit Batok West Ave 5

*CDL was recently awarded the Bukit Batok West Avenue 5 EC site and will be exploring a project comprising around 510 residential units and a basement carpark.*

City Developments Limited (CDL) made a successful bid for a 99-year leasehold executive condominium (EC) site at Bukit Batok West Avenue 5, a well-established District 23 residential enclave. CDL's bid of \$336,068,000 (or \$626 psf ppr) topped the keenly contested tender by a razor-thin margin of 0.2% (\$1 psf ppr) versus the second highest bid, amongst a total of four bids.

Mr Sherman Kwek, CDL Group Chief Executive Officer, said, "We are very pleased to emerge as the top bidder for this tightly contested EC site in Bukit Batok West, especially at such a narrow margin of victory. Given the site's proximity to the upcoming Tengah New Town and Jurong Lake District, it will benefit from easy access to a wide range of amenities as well as good connectivity to such a key business, lifestyle and tourism hub. We look forward to transforming this expansive site into a sustainably designed and well-built residential landmark."

The expansive 178,936 square feet (sq ft) site with a plot ratio of 3.0 is located at the junction of Bukit Batok West Avenue 5 and Bukit Batok Road, opposite the upcoming Tengah New Town, which will have amenities such as a community club, a polyclinic and an integrated bus interchange. The site is conveniently located between three MRT stations – Bukit Gombak MRT station on the North-South Line, and the upcoming Tengah Plantation and Tengah Park MRT stations on the Jurong Region Line (expected to be ready around 2028).

Nearby amenities such as Le Quest Mall, Market & Food Centre at Bukit Batok Street 11, Hong Kah North Community Club as well as Bukit Gombak Sports Centre and Stadium provide comprehensive shopping, dining and recreation options.

CDL was awarded the site on 28 September and plans to explore an EC project comprising 10 blocks of 12 to 13 storeys with around 510 residential units and a basement carpark. This project will be designed to achieve the BCA Green Mark Platinum (Super Low Energy) rating, in line with CDL's pledge to reach net-zero carbon emissions by 2030.



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## TID Awarded GLS Site At Lentor Hills Estate

*An artist's impression of Lentor Hills Estate (aerial perspective). Credit: URA*

TID, a joint venture between Hong Leong Holdings and Mitsui Fudosan, emerged as the top bidder for Lentor Hills Road (Parcel B). TID submitted a bid of S\$276.36 million, which works out to S\$1,130 psf per plot ratio (psf ppr).

According to analysts, TID's bid was 18.9% higher than the S\$950 psf ppr bid submitted by one other bidder. A total of two bids were received for the land parcel.

The 99-year leasehold Lentor Hills Road (Parcel B) site, which spans 116,455 sq ft, can yield about 495 residential units. It is located within the new Lentor Hills Estate which is envisioned as a sustainable and pedestrian-friendly neighbourhood amidst lush greenery.

Located in close proximity to the new Lentor MRT Station on the Thomson-East Coast Line, future residents will enjoy direct access via public transport to Woodlands Regional Centre, the Central Business District and various parts of Singapore. Established schools such as Presbyterian High School, Anderson Primary School, and CHIJ St Nicholas Girls' School are located nearby. Future residents can look forward to retail options, a supermarket and childcare facilities located within the upcoming mixed-use development at Lentor Modern and enjoy lush greenery and recreation choices at the future hillock and linear parks nearby.

The site was awarded to TID on 19 September 2022.





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## HLA Paves The Way For A Safer Work Environment

*HLA's upcoming Integrated Prefabricated and Construction Hub (ICPH) is a state-of-the-art facility that will significantly reduce noise and dust pollution for a safer and more controlled factory environment.*

Construction is underway and soon to complete for Hong Leong Asia's new Integrated Prefabricated and Construction Hub (ICPH) to support the precast market in Singapore, targeting an increase in adoption of prefabricated building components in the built environment sector to improve construction productivity.

This ICPH is a multi-storey manufacturing facility with a high degree of automation to help meet the increasing demand for precast solutions by minimising disamenity on-site and improving productivity and quality control while ensuring a safer working environment.

The facility is expected to complete at the end of 2022. Watch this space for more updates!



## MHR In China Prepares To Jumpstart MICE Sector With Singapore

*MHR Regional Director for China, Ms Ronnie Tang (standing far left in the 2nd row) in a group photo with industry representatives in Shanghai's leg of STB's Greater China MICE Conference 2022.*

With Singapore's reopening of its borders, the country is jump-starting its once thriving Meetings, Incentives, Conventions and Exhibitions (MICE) industry with an enhanced incentive programme for international MICE groups.

Themed "Redrawing the Lion City", the Singapore Tourism Board (STB) launched the programme at the 6th Singapore Tourism Board Greater China MICE Conference on 24 August across Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou and Chengdu.

Numerous industry partners including Millennium Hotel and Resorts (MHR) regional office in China attended the event and discussed how to jointly promote and develop MICE tourism between Singapore and China under the "new normal" of the COVID-19 pandemic.

With a strong pipeline of events in 2022 and beyond, a full recovery for the MICE industry is expected in two to three years.

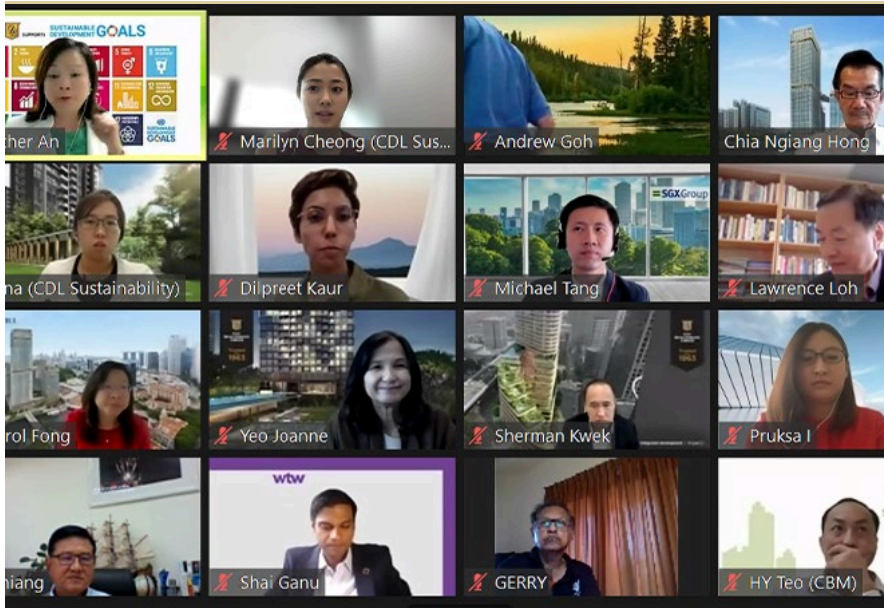


*Account Director for MHR's office in Beijing, Ms Melissa Wang (right) with industry representatives conference in Beijing.*





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## Hong Leong Group Aims For Net Zero, Future Proofs Business Risks

Organised by CDL, around 85 directors, senior management and staff across the Hong Leong Group of companies attended the 9th Annual Sustainability Forum for Hong Leong Group.

On 4 Oct 2022, City Developments Limited (CDL) held its 9th Annual Sustainability Forum for CDL and the Hong Leong Group of companies virtually over zoom. An annual event co-organised by the Group Corporate Secretariat Services and CDL's Sustainability department since 2014, the Annual Sustainability Forum aims to align the Group's directors and senior management with latest sustainability trends and best practices.

Aptly themed 'Zero in on Future Value: Turning Risks to Growth Opportunities', the business community is in the position to accelerate action to decarbonise their business practices and products. The forum proved to be timely with the third and final instalment of the IPCC's Sixth Assessment Report published earlier this year in April 2022, which found that average annual global greenhouse gas emissions were at their highest levels in human history between 2010 to 2019, but the rate of growth of emissions has since slowed. With this, the business case for sustainability integration and reporting has never been stronger, and there is an ever-urgent need for global Race to Zero, to turn risks into business advantages and growth opportunities.



**Speaking on the panel (top row L-R):** Ms Puksa Iamthongthong, Senior Investment Director, Aberdeen Standard Investments; Ms Esther An, CDL Group Chief Sustainability Officer; and Mr Shai Ganu, Managing Director & Global Leader (Executive Compensation & Board Advisory). **(Bottom row L-R):** Mr Michael Tang, Head, Listing Policy & Product Admission, SGX RegCo; Dr Lawrence Loh, Director at NUS Centre for Governance and Sustainability; and CDL Group Chief Executive Officer Mr Sherman Kwek.





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Around 85 directors, senior management and staff of the Hong Leong and CDL Group of Companies attended the forum. The distinguished panel of speakers included Mr Michael Tang, Head, Listing Policy & Product Admission, SGX RegCo, Dr Lawrence Loh, Director at NUS Centre for Governance and Sustainability; Mr Shai Ganu, Managing Director & Global Leader – Executive Compensation & Board Advisory, WTW; Ms Prukha Iamthongthong, Senior Investment Director, Aberdeen Standard Investments.

CDL Chief Sustainability Officer Ms Esther An shared her insights, who set the scene with her insights and sharing from attending many recent climate related thought leadership engagements, including COP26 in Glasgow and the more recent climate week in New York City. With sustainability exploding into mainstream, she shared that CDL's pioneering leadership and commitment to embrace net zero would give us a business advantage over others.

Mr Tang then gave a presentation which touched on the rationale and vision behind the establishment of the Sustainability Reporting Advisory Committee, and its long-term and short-term deliverables targeting not only the listed companies but non-listed ones. This was followed by Dr Loh's sharing on the best practices in sustainability governance and strategy from Case of Climate Reporting, Mr Ganu's insight on the business case of Climate Governance and the unique role of Boards in driving climate action, and Ms Iamthongthong's perspective as an investor on mobilising capital through better ESG disclosure and sustainability reporting.

### Primary Components of Sustainability Report

Sustainability reports for financial years commencing on or after 1 January 2022



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Best Practices in Sustainability Governance and Strategy from Case of Climate Reporting

Prof Lawrence Loh  
Director  
Centre for Governance and Sustainability  
NUS Business School

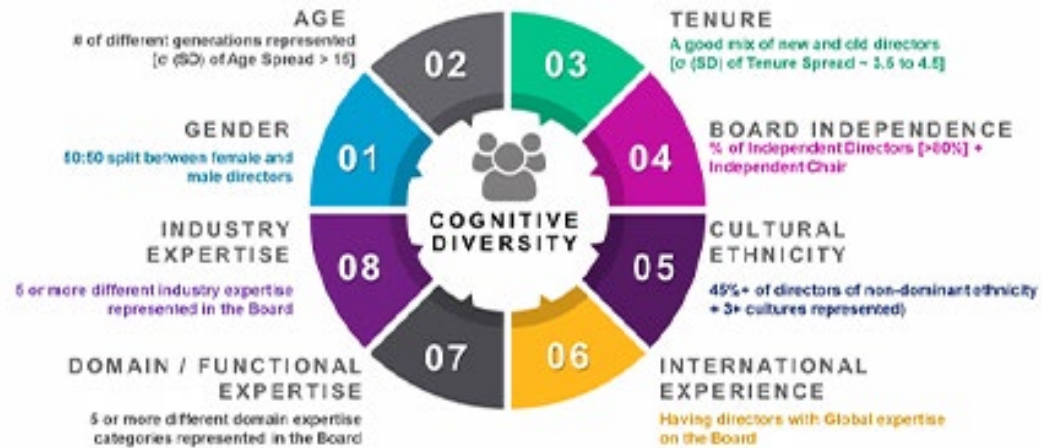
Presented at the 9th Hong Leong-CDL Group Sustainability Forum 2022 held on 4 October 2022

Dr Loh shared best practices in sustainability governance and strategy from Case of Climate Reporting.

Following the shrewd presentations was a dynamic and insightful panel discussion with the invited speakers, moderated by Ms An. The audience sought strategic and practical advice from the esteemed panel, who shared their unique perspectives from their diverse industries and sectors on the global sustainability trends, all of which have become key considerations in business, investment and financing decision making processes. The discussion also highlighted the need for businesses to have strong ESG integration and set targets to be on track towards achieving net zero to mitigate and adapt to climate impacts to future proof the business.

In closing, CDL Group Chief Executive Officer Mr Sherman Kwek emphasised the importance of adopting innovative sustainability strategies for a more resilient future, as ESG integration and investing have become mainstream in the fast-changing and challenging business environment. He also added that businesses needed to continuously innovate to mitigate and adapt to climate impacts and to turn risks into growth opportunities.

## Spotlight on S: Board Diversity



Source: WTIW and S&P Board Diversity Index

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Mr Ganu shared insights on the business case of Climate Governance and the important role that an inclusive and diverse Board plays in driving climate action.

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## Have A Leisurely Weekend With Boozy Brunches

*Madam Fan's delectable dim sum at The NCO Club, JW Marriott Singapore South Beach is sure to satisfy all cravings with steamed and fried options.*

### **Madame Fan: Dim sum and Asian-inspired cocktails**

Move your weekend shenanigans to Madame Fan as the restaurant satisfies all dim sum cravings with bottomless steamed and fried options. But it's not just limited to dim sum. Get your chopsticks ready for main dishes too. We're looking at braised sliced abalone, jasmine tea-smoked ribs and minced wagyu beef fried rice. As for cocktails? Try East Mule (vodka, kaffir lime, frangelico and ginger beer) or Golden Elixir (whisky, apple cordial and amaretto).

**When:** Weekends and public holidays, 11am to 1pm; 1.30pm to 3.30pm

**Cost:** \$88++ per pax; \$58++ with free flow cocktails, wines and beers; \$78++ with free flow champagne, cocktails, wines, beers, sodas and Chinese teas.

For reservations, please visit <https://www.madamefan.sg/>

### **Astor Bar: Cocktail brunch for grown-ups**



*Treat yourself to a decadent adults-only brunch at the elegant Astor Bar at The St. Regis Singapore.*





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Leave the little ones at home and treat yourself to a decadent adults-only brunch at this elegant bar for a sophisticated afternoon. Settle into your plush seat before you start nibbling on a fresh seafood platter of Alaskan King crab leg, oyster and shrimp. Next, the five-course meal takes you to your choice of starter (we're big fans of the Maryland crab cake!) and eggs (have yours poached, soft boiled, scrambled or done cocotte-style). You'll be sipping on the bar's signature cocktails – all made to order – as you go. Order a variety for the table so you can try a bit of everything, we say.

Don't forget to save space for the mains! Select your top pick from a line-up of fried chicken, fish and chips, and the St. Regis beef burger. Finally, what's brunch without dessert? Choose all the sweets you want when the trolley pulls up by your table. No judgment here!

**When:** Every first Saturday of the month, 12pm to 2pm

**Cost:** \$89++ per pax (brunch only); \$155++ with cocktails; \$205++ with cocktails and champagne.

For reservations, please visit <https://www.astorbar.com/>

### ***Brasserie Les Saveurs: A refreshed classic***



*Crustacean delights at Brasserie Les Saveurs.*

The ever-classy Brasserie Les Saveurs wows us with crustacean delights (Alaskan king crab, oysters, and poached prawns), chef's specials (salmon, foie gras, and beef tartare), as well as hot and cold entrees. Desserts include crepes suzette, a cheese platter, tarts, and nitrogen ice cream. Yum! Wash it all down with free-flow flutes from the Champagne Barons de Rothschild series.

**When:** Sundays, 12pm to 2.30pm

**Cost:** \$138++ per pax for free-flow non-alcoholic beverages; \$168++ for free-flow wine; from \$198++ to \$548++ for free-flow champagne of your choice from the Champagne Barons de Rothschild series; \$75++ per child for ages 4 to 12.

For reservations, please visit <https://www.brasserielessaveurs.com/>

*\* Information correct at time of print.*



## Relish On “Flying Roast Chicken” And Tomahawk Staycation At JW Marriott Hong Kong

*The “Flying Roast Chicken” takes centre-stage at Michelin-starred Man Ho Chinese Restaurant.*

### **Cantonese barbecue delights at Man Ho Chinese Restaurant**

Executive Chinese Chef Jayson Tang and the Head Chef of Chinese Barbecue Cheung Wai Hung take the down-to-earth *Siu Mei* (or Cantonese roast meats) to the next level at the Michelin-starred Man Ho Chinese Restaurant with innovative twists, spotlighting the first-in-town “Flying Roast Chicken” imitating a traditional roast goose. This is a delectable dish with unique roast goose flavour, succulent chicken meat and crispy skin, all in one bite balanced by the iconic plum sauce alongside. The “Flying Roast Chicken” must be reserved 48 hours in advance.

Other dishes include the “Crispy Roasted Pork Belly” and Man Ho’s “Signature Barbecued Pork with Honey Sauce” where the best cuts of *mui tau* (or pork collar) from premium Iberico pork, renowned for its balanced fat-to-meat ratio and flavourful meat, are used.

Besides roasted meats, the barbecue kitchen also specialises in “Lou Mei”, an acclaimed Chiu Chow cuisine. Inspired by “Daa Laang”, “Marinated Baby Cuttlefish Stuffed with Preserved Vegetables” is an authentic delicacy with a twist. The sweet and sour taste from the Chiu Chow preserved vegetables including pickled cabbages, pickles, onions and corianders, enrich the flavours. Enjoy a hint of spicy smokiness in the “Smoked Baby Cuttlefish Stuffed with Preserved Vegetables”.

For reservations, please call +852 2810 8366 or email [jwmarriott.hk@marriotthotels.com](mailto:jwmarriott.hk@marriotthotels.com).



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***Relish a delectable holiday with JW Tomahawk Staycation***



*Perfect for steak lovers, the staycation package spotlights a four-course Tomahawk steak dinner for two at the hotel's Flint Restaurant.*

Embark on a gastronomy retreat at JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong with the newly launched JW Tomahawk Staycation package.

Perfect for steak lovers, the package spotlights a delectable four-course Tomahawk steak dinner for two at Flint (Level 5 of the hotel), where diners can savour renowned grill specialties. Stimulate your palate with your choice of starter and Chef's soup of the day, then satisfy your steak craving with the scrumptious main course – Australian Stockyard Black Angus Beef Tomahawk. Grilled to perfection, the premium cut is irresistibly tender, juicy and flavourful. The delicacy is served with fried chips, English asparagus, fricassée of wild mushrooms and truffle jus, ideal for two to share. Wrap up the feast with a delicate dessert.

Relax in opulence at night in the urban sanctuary and rejuvenate with a sumptuous buffet breakfast the next morning.

Priced from HK\$3,280 per room per night, the JW Tomahawk Staycation package includes:

- A comfortable stay in a well-appointed guestroom
- A 4-course set dinner for two persons featuring the signature Tomahawk steak at Flint on the arrival day
- 24-hour accommodation for check-in between Monday and Thursday with the latest checkout time at 2 pm (except 20 – 29 December and public holidays, subject to availability)
- Breakfast buffet at JW Café for 2 persons

This package is valid from now until 30 December 2022. Above prices are subject to a 10% service charge. Terms and conditions apply. Book now: <https://bit.ly/JWTomahawkStaycation>

For reservations, please call +852 2810 8366 or email [jwmarriott.hk@marriotthotels.com](mailto:jwmarriott.hk@marriotthotels.com).





## New World Millennium Hong Kong Takes Diners On A Taste Of Europe

*The gastronomic journey is an European feast that includes Italian Antipasto, Spanish Octopus Salad, Pork Rillettes, Milanese-style Braised Beef Short Ribs, Portuguese-style Braised Pork Knuckles, and desserts like Churros, Torreja, and Pastel De Tentúgal.*

Café East at New World Millennium Hong Kong Hotel brings European delicacies to its dinner buffet table from 1 October to 18 December, featuring an array of specialities from Germany, France, Spain, Italy and Portugal that guide diners' palates through a culinary adventure.

The gastronomic journey begins with a wide selection of appetisers including Italian Antipasto, Spanish Octopus Salad, Pork Rillettes and Beef Carpaccio. Hot dishes include Seafood Paella, Portuguese-style Suckling Pig, French Duck Confit, German Sausages with Sauerkraut, French Steamed Clams with White Wine, Milanese-style Braised Beef Short Ribs, Portuguese-style Braised Pork Knuckles, Italian Pork Involtni, French Beef Bourguignon, Homemade Pizza, as well as Handmade Pasta. To complete the meal, diners are spoiled with a line-up of desserts including Churros, Torreja, Pastel De Tentúgal, Baba Au Rhum and Torta Caprese.

Aside from the European selection, diners may savour a range of international fare, including unlimited servings of Seafood on Ice featuring Boston Lobsters, Crabs, Mussels and Prawns. Also on offer are Teppanyaki Wagyu Beef, King Prawn, Lamb Chop, Salmon and authentic Indian Curries and Roti crafted by the Indian chef. Not-to-be-missed are Double-Boiled Soup, Ban Chang Kueh made à la minute, Ice Cream and homemade Yogurt Ice Cream with sweet condiments for diners' selection.

Available from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., "A Taste of Europe" Dinner Buffet is priced at HKD738 for adults and HKD518 for children from Monday to Thursday, and HKD788 for adults and HKD548 for children aged three to 11 years old from Friday to Sunday and on public holidays. All prices are subject to 10 percent service charge.

For reservations, please call +852 2313 4222 or visit <https://www.newworldmillenniumhotel.com/en/>

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## Customise Your Perfume Or Mix A Snazzy Cocktail With An M Social Staycay

*Choose a free cocktail or perfume-making workshop when you book a staycation at M Social Singapore.*

As much as staycations are meant for you to R&R, there's always a handful of us who just can't keep still. Experiences abound at M Social for those who need to keep busy even when on holiday. For \$276++/night upwards, you can choose a free cocktail or perfume making workshop.

**Bottled Up Happiness** (from \$326++/night) comes with a complimentary bottle of perfume, while **Mix and Stay** (from \$276++/night) includes a M Social Cocktail Shaker. In these masterclasses, you'll be guided by perfumiers from Maison 21G Singapore and an in-house mixologist respectively.

Both packages also include complimentary daily breakfast. Rates from S\$276++/night.

For reservations, please visit: <https://www.millenniumhotels.com/en/singapore/m-social-singapore/>

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Enjoy The  
Ultimate  
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And Kids  
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At W Singapore  
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*Live up the weekend at W Singapore's epic Sunday Brunchscape at the kitchen table.*

There's no better way to live it up on the weekend than indulging in the kitchen table's epic Sunday Brunchscape. We're talking good food, a live DJ on deck, and one of the largest outdoor pools in Singapore. Don't believe us? Get a taste of the party yourself when you sashay your way down to W Singapore – Sentosa Cove.

Dig in to a hearty, boozy semi-buffet brunch (\$188++) with never-ending tipples. And look out for the separate à la minute selections, featuring toothsome dishes like Bultarra lamb rump and New England lobster roll. You'll definitely catch us at the ice bar loading up on fresh Japanese snow crab legs, poached lobster, and fine de claire oysters. Hot tip: Stay 'till 3pm and you'll have four hours of access to the WET Pool after an afternoon of indulgence. What else can we say, it's the ultimate tropical escape.

**When:** Sundays, 12pm-3pm

**Cost:** \$128++ per pax, top up \$60 for free-flow Moët & Chandon Brut Champagne, wines, beers and cocktails.

For reservations, please visit:

<https://marriottbonvoyasia.com/restaurants-bars/w-singapore-sentosa-cove-the-kitchen-table>

***Stunning swimming pool with a water slide to entertain the kids?***



*The water slide at W Singapore – Sentosa Cove is a ton of fun for kids of all ages.*





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Check! The rooms at W Singapore – Sentosa Cove may not be the most spacious or kid-friendly, but they do offer Twin set-ups that can sleep a family of four.

Their Happy Days package gives you daily breakfast for up to 2 adults and 2 children (12 years old and under) and all-day, all-inclusive kids' meals for children (when dining with an adult at the kitchen table or In-Room Dining only)!

Book your fun experiences at:

<https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/sinwh-w-singapore-sentosa-cove/experiences/>.

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## Carve A Cut Above The Rest With Orchard Café's Butcher Feast

*Feast on unlimited servings of the finest meat selections with 50% off 2nd diner at Orchard Café.*

As the aroma of meat fills the air, Butcher Feast brings you unlimited servings of the finest meat selections including US and AUS Prime Ribs, Slow Roast Lamb, Whiskey Glazed Spanish Iberico Pork Belly, Pork Knuckles with Saled Egg Rub, Chicken Shawarma, and more.

Pair up with a glass of wine or beer and you're ready to go!

Every second diner enjoys 50% off. Promotion available from 1 October - 20 November 2022.

For reservations, please visit:

<https://www.millenniumhotels.com/en/singapore/orchard-hotel-singapore/orchard-cafe/>

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## Enjoy Bonus Interest Up To 2.50% P.A. With HLF's Fixed Savings Account

*Earn up to 2.50% p.a. on your savings account with Hong Leong Finance.*

There is no easier way to earn high interest rate on your savings account than with Fixed Savings Account. Enjoy the convenience of saving with monthly GIRO transfers to your savings account.

On top of earning a base interest rate of 0.35% p.a., you will receive additional high bonus interest rate of up to 2.50% p.a. on your savings account. Enjoy one of the most flexible savings accounts in Singapore with no fall below fee, spending requirements or salary crediting!

- Initial deposit of S\$100
- Saving through monthly GIRO transfer of between S\$200 and S\$8,000
- Up to 0.35% p.a. base interest for account balance of between S\$300,000 and S\$2,000,000.
- Up to 2.50% p.a. bonus interest on saving through monthly GIRO transfers
- Bonus interest is credited on the corresponding GIRO transfer date in January and July
- One account per customer

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#### Interest Rates

Account Balance <sup>1</sup>	S\$500 to <50,000	S\$50,000 to <300,000	S\$300,000 to ≤2,000,000
Base Interest (p.a.)	0.15%	0.30%	0.35%
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Giro Transfer Amount For the Month	S\$200 to <1,000	S\$1,000 to <5,000	S\$5,000 to ≤8,000
Bonus Interest (p.a.)	2.30%	2.40%	2.50%

1. Account balance refers to initial deposit + balance brought forward + Giro transfer amount for the month.

2. Base interest is calculated based on account balance x base interest rate / 365 days x the number of days in the month.

3. Bonus interest is calculated based on each monthly GIRO amount transfer received x Bonus interest rate / 12 months x the number of months to run before bonus interest payment.

4. Rates are indicative and subject to change at any time without prior notice.

#### Eligibility

- 21 years old and above
- Singaporeans, Singapore PRs and foreigners (with valid work permit)

Please click [here](#) for more information.



## Hop Down To Grand Copthorne Waterfront For The Freshest Seafood Or Italy's Best

*Seafood Night Buffet at Food Capital, Grand Copthorne Waterfront from 3 October to 13 November 2022.*

From 3 October to 13 November 2022, Grand Copthorne Waterfront's Hotel all-day dining buffet restaurant, Food Capital, will be presenting its **Seafood Night Buffet**.

Food Capital's bountiful **Seafood Night Buffet** spread features an array of international epicurean seafood such as **Freshly Shucked Seasonal Oysters** and **Canadian Snow Crab Legs**. Bursting with irresistible flavours, be wowed by the freshness of the coast, while immersing in the picturesque view of the iconic Singapore River.

Enjoy an array of Asian BBQ Selections of **sustainable seafood** such as jumbo prawns and squids, barbequed to perfection. Crab lovers will also rejoice at the various flavours of this crustacean. Feast on the delicate flavours of **Chili, Black Pepper, Kam Heong** and the all-time crowd favourite - **Salted Egg**!

Sign up for our À LA CARTE REWARDS or My Millennium Membership to enjoy 30% off Food Capital's Seafood Night Buffet.

Prices start at S\$68++ (adult) and S\$34++ (child) for lunch, and S\$82++ (adult) and S\$44++ (child) for the dinner buffet. Weekend dinner buffet with Boston Lobster at S\$108++ (adult) and S\$58++ (child).

For reservations, please call +65 6233 1338 / +65 8168 1539 or email [dining.gcw@millenniumhotels.com](mailto:dining.gcw@millenniumhotels.com).



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**Grissini x Nespresso SG Restaurant Week**



*Savour Italy at Grissini during Nespresso SG Restaurant Week from 7-29 October 2022.*

Italian restaurant Grissini has partnered with Nespresso to present Grissini – Italian Cuisine. Featuring a line-up of set menus specially curated by Grissini's Head Chef Kenny Huang, temptations includes creations like the RISOTTO DI ANGUILLA and CROSTATINE AL CIOCCOLATO NESPRESSO. Degustation begins 7 October to 29 October 2022.

4-Course Lunch from S\$128++. 5-Course Dinner from S\$198++. 7-Course Dinner from \$238++.

For more details, visit our Facebook and Instagram at @grissinisg or check out [dining offer page](#).

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## Aim, Shoot! HLGSRM Makes A Joyful Return At The Pool Tables

The jubilant players in the Men's Category. **(First row L-R):** Jonathan Lim, HLCH (3rd Mixed Doubles); Lim Chun Seng, HLF (1st Men's Singles, 1st Men's Doubles, 2nd Mixed Doubles); Justin Lee, HLF (1st Men's Doubles, 1st Mixed Doubles); Yu JinWei, CBM; and Zhang Peng, CBM. **(Back row L-R):** Ang Julius Victor Carvajal, HLF (2nd Men's Doubles); Kenneth Chong, HLF (2nd Men's Doubles); Han Bo, CBM (2nd Men's Singles, 3rd Men's Doubles); Douglas Koh, CBM; Chen Long, CBM (3rd Men's Singles, 3rd Men's Doubles); and Li DongJie, CBM.

Old friends were reunited and old rivalries, reignited!

After a 3-year hiatus due to COVID-19, 15 staff participants took part in the HLGSRM Pool Tournament held at Aspire Recreation Centre on 10 September 2022.

The turnout saw staff participants from our companies, City Developments Limited (CDL), Hong Leong Finance (HLF), CBM, and Hong Leong Corporation Holdings (HLCH).

After several intense rounds, the winners were crowned! Congratulations to all our winners!



Our beautiful participants in the Ladies' Category. (L-R): Janice Chua, HLCH (1st Ladies Singles, 3rd Mixed Doubles); Laura Lew, HLF (3rd Ladies Singles, 2nd Mixed Doubles); and Jodie Ho, CDL (2nd Ladies Singles, 1st Mixed Doubles).



Staff participants taking their aim on the pool tables at Aspire Recreation Centre.





## Fishing, Plant-Potting, And More On Farm Tours

*It was a time of family bonding and camaraderie as a total of 52 staff across the Hong Leong Group of companies and their families went on a farm tour of fishing, goat-feeding and plant-potting.*

Hong Leong Group Sports and Recreational Club (HLGSRC) organised a day-tour to 3 local farms during the September school holidays - Hay Dairies, Bollywood Veggies and Qian Hu Fish Farm.

A total of 52 staff and family members joined in the tour and enjoyed a goat-milking demonstration and goat feeding at Hay Dairies, lunch and plant potting at Bollywood Veggies, and "longkang" (a Malay word for drains or gutters) fishing and a fish foot spa at Qian Hu Fish Farm.

Although the farm tour at Bollywood Veggies had to be cancelled halfway due to heavy rain, the participants enjoyed themselves nonetheless and everyone went home happy with souvenirs, a bottle of goat's milk, a potted plant and a little tank of fish.



*Staff feeling the tickles as tiny fish in the fish foot spa nibbled away dead skin from their feet.*



*Hong Leong Finance's Justin Lee grinning at the camera as he scores a fish on in his net!*



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## Millennium Hotels In The Middle East Celebrates Housekeepers Week

*It was an entertaining action-packed week of fun and laughter as Grand Millennium Business Bay says “Thank You” to the housekeeping teams for their hard work and dedication.*

The annual International Housekeepers Week and Environmental Services Week is held every year during the second full week of September. This year, it was held on September 11-17, 2022. It is a week dedicated to housekeeping teams who have one of the toughest jobs in any property operations. Buildings that are not properly cleaned can lead to illness and productivity loss for the people who visit, eat, live, work and play there. This is what our hotels in the Middle East did to recognise them for their dedication and hard work.

Story contributed by General Manager of Millennium Place Barsha Heights, Mr. Glenn Nobbs.

Not many people think about housekeepers when they enter a hotel, and housekeeping as a job can be a lot of work with little reward. This team are at the core of creating the perception of each and every guest by ensuring uniforms are spotless, and public areas, guest rooms and touch points are meticulously kept hygienically clean. Commonly thought of “heart of house” or working “downstairs”, these Hospitality soldiers more often than not have the most opportunity to connect with the guest.

### Millennium Place Barsha Heights

Millennium Place Barsha Heights hosted a two-day celebration as part of International Housekeeping Week, beginning with a display of clothes handmade by team members from recycled materials. The team wanted to draw attention to the fact that they are active in the property’s recycling program and have achieved impressive results. From the last quarter alone, not only have they prevented 2,591kg of plastic bottles from entering landfill, but also with the linen reuse program, saved the hotel AED 46,700 in washing costs, 40,017.4 liters of water consumption and the total chemical cost savings of AED 7,506 over the same period.

The celebrations continued with Towel Art and Bed making competitions, dancing and a wonderful feast.





General Manager of Millennium Place Barsha Heights, Mr Glenn Nobbs (dressed in a blazer) held a two-day celebration to recognise his team that included cake, recycling competitions, dancing and a feast for staff.



A fashion display of clothes handmade by team members from recycled materials.

## Millennium Airport Hotel Dubai



General Manager of Millennium Airport Dubai, Mr Simon Moore (left photo standing in the centre in a grey suit) celebrates with his team that includes a "Thank You" cake.





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## Studio M Arabian Plaza Dubai



*Gift hampers were given to the unsung heroes who continually go above and beyond to deliver an exceptional service and maintain clean standards of hygiene at Studio M Arabian Plaza Dubai*

## Millennium Hotel & Convention Centre Kuwait







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**Millennium Place Marina**







## Celebrating Teamwork As Hard Days Night Hotel Rewards Staff Efforts During Pandemic

*General Manager of Hard Days Night Hotel Mr Trevor Vels (standing left in white shirt) and Hotel Area General Manager Mr Ken Ellington (standing in a suit) saying a few words of thanks to the team.*

**As travel picks up and tourism rebuilds across the world, our landmark Beatles-themed hotel rewards the hotel teams with a celebratory party to recognise their efforts in the face of operational challenges from staffing shortages to waiting for the return of international guests.**

**Story contributed by Ms Daisy Clack, Cluster HR Officer for Hard Days Night & Copthorne Merry Hill-Dudley hotels.**

On 25th August 2022, Hard Day's Night Hotels General Manager Trevor Vels celebrated how the team has 'Come Together' recently at his General Managers forum. It was a wonderful opportunity to recognise how well everyone is doing 'Across the Universe' of Hard Day's Night Hotel.

Since re-opening after the pandemic on 17th May 2021, the team has had to overcome numerous challenges including short staffing to waiting for the return of our fabulous international guests. Each department has gone from strength to strength working together to keep the beautiful Grade II listed hotel running.

In the General Managers forum, Trevor invited employees to join him and celebrate the hotels achievements and to applaud our employees of the month for June and July 2022.

Mark Welch – the hotels hard-working Painter & Decorator won "Employee of the Month" for June. Employees commented saying that he is always 'happy and helpful', 'a wonderful human being', and how he 'always goes above and beyond'... Mark has been an integral part of the team since he re-joined in 2021 and is a true unsung hero at the hotel!

Carla Leonard – Chef de Partie, won employee of the month for July. Employees said that she 'has improved breakfast by 110%', that 'she is passionate about her service and shows care in all she does', and is always 'calm under pressure and delivers for our guests'... Carla only recently joined the hotel team and has already progressed so quickly in her role and really deserved this recognition!



Painter & Decorator for the hotel, Mr Mark Welch (right) was named "Employee of the Month" for June, and received £100, an engraved Parker pen and a bottle of bubbles from Mr Vels.



Chef de Partie, Ms Carla Leonard was "Employer of the Month" for July and beamed with pride as she also received her cash reward, engraved pen and bubbles.

The hotel is so proud of our employees achievements at Hard Day's Night and can't wait to celebrate more!



Staff employees attending the celebrations at Hard Days Night Hotel.





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## City Sunshine Club Sparks Joy Under The Moonlight At Assisi Hospice

*Led by CDL Group General Manager Mr Chia Ngiang Hong (in white shirt), over 20 CSC volunteers brought joy and spread cheer to residents at Assisi Hospice.*

On 9 September, City Developments Limited (CDL) Group General Manager Mr Chia Ngiang Hong and over 20 staff from City Sunshine Club (CSC), the employee volunteer platform of CDL, visited Assisi Hospice to bring warmth to the patients and brighten up their evening during the Mid-Autumn Festival celebration.

Mr Chia, CSC President Ms Foo Chui Mui and some volunteers joined Assisi Hospice's CEO and staff in distributing mooncakes and lanterns to the in-ward patients, while the remaining high-spirited volunteers distributed Mid-Autumn goodies to daycare patients who participated in a lantern making activity. Patients basked joyfully in the medley of familiar tunes and classical pieces performed by the Guzheng Association, before they went for a stroll in the open courtyard that was brightly lit with rabbit lanterns sponsored by CDL for the third consecutive year.

The annual Mid-Autumn Festival celebration at the Assisi Hospice has been a tradition for CSC since 2008, where volunteers look forward to the heartfelt moments of befriending the patients following the relaxation of the safe management measures.





*CSC volunteers peeling pomelos and cutting mooncakes in preparation of festive treats after the buffet dinner.*



*CSC volunteers and patients immersing in the festive mood during the lantern walk in the courtyard that was brightly lit with rabbit lanterns.*



## Self-Taught Artist Mary Aw Draws The “Oohs” And “Aahs” With Her Mini Art Gallery Cum Corridor

*Hong Leong Holdings’ Executive Secretary and self-taught artist, Ms Mary Aw has transformed her common corridor into a mini art gallery with her paintings placed among potted plants. Her little garden is well-loved by her neighbours who also help to keep the corridor clean. (Photo credit: Raj Nadarajan/TODAY)*

**A little known secret until now! Ms Mary Aw who has been an Executive Secretary at Hong Leong Holdings Limited (HLHL) for nearly 50 years, has kept this little secret among her family and close friends until a Singapore Member of Parliament discovered her beautiful corridor in one of his house visits in her area. He described it “a breathtaking sight”.**

**How did she do it? “Google!” chirped Ms Aw who is also an avid golfer and enjoys baking in her spare time. Much of her inspiration comes from nature and the surroundings at golf courses, gardens and parks. Let’s learn more.**

**Adapted from her interview with the TODAY paper (6 March 2022), we are publishing this article now to coincide with Ms Aw’s fundraising efforts at the Assisi Funday 2022 annual charity event, October 6 to 16.**

A “breathtaking sight” greeted Member of Parliament Jamus Lim of Sengkang Group Representation Constituency during one of his house visits this week. He had uploaded a video of the garden in a Facebook post on Friday (March 4), which garnered many positive responses.

Mr Lim wrote: “For me, the project is an example of what can happen when neighbours get along, and make a concerted effort to improve their surroundings. Living in shared spaces tends to require some give and take. And when neighbours are able to come together, the result can be extraordinary.”





The common corridor outside Ms Aw's flat is lined with plants and paintings. According to Singapore Member of Parliament Mr Jamus Lim, it was a "breathtaking sight" for visitors and residents. (Photo credit: Raj Nadarajan/TODAY)



An avid plant lover since young, Ms Aw would tend to the plants every morning like watering them, checking their condition, adding fertiliser and trimming them when needed.

It all started with one painting of a waterfall surrounded by flowers that Ms Mary Aw hung in the common area outside her flat. She did it so residents will "see the greens and feel serene" when they throw their rubbish in the common rubbish chute. Gradually she added more paintings after receiving compliments and encouragement from the residents. There are now 16 pieces along the corridor.

### Ms Aw's love for plants

The corridor is also filled with plants. An avid plant lover since young, Ms Aw would tend to the plants every morning – watering them, checking their condition, adding fertiliser and trimming them when needed. She would also regularly clean the area to prevent it from getting dirty with plant debris or fallen leaves.



**Hard at work:** A landscape lover such as flowers, trees and rivers, Ms Aw paints about two to three times a week at home and finds it a therapeutic process. She has painted over 200 pieces since her hobby started a year ago in July. Even her home (left photo) and office area at Hong Leong Holdings (right photo) is like a lush environment of serenity filled with plants and her own paintings.



Ms Aw had put up the paintings and plants to beautify the common corridor and bin area. She also wanted her neighbours to be able to enjoy a "clean and green" space, while "softening" the area and add some colour to the plain walls.

## ***Creative passion was due to an accidental discovery***

It was actually by chance that the grandmother of five started learning acrylic painting in July 2021. She had originally bought the painting materials for her grandchildren, but discovered that she enjoyed it immensely when she decided to try her hand at it as well.

She particularly enjoys landscape pieces such as flowers, trees and rivers, and began painting two to three times a week, finding it also a therapeutic process. She has painted over 200 pieces since her 'accidental' passion was discovered a year ago.



*Pictured here with her family is the young grandmother of five at her 67th birthday celebration in August this year.*



*Her husband, Mr Tan Lye Woo also shares her great passion for golf. The loving couple can be found at the green almost every weekend.*

## ***Raising funds for Assisi Hospice Annual charity event 2022***

How did she get involved? This is what Ms Aw wrote to *Hi Life!* in her own words.

“ My long-time friend and extended colleague Ms Rita Chua from Hong Leong Finance, told me of the Hong Leong Group companies' collective participation in this year's annual Assisi Hospice Carnival event.

Rita knows of my passion for painting and encouraged me to paint and sell my acrylic paintings for the good cause. I was humbled because I am just a self-taught artist and started painting only last year. But I was excited and decided to accept the challenge. I have never painted on such a big scale in a short amount of time, and this is a wonderful cause to be a part of!



**A cherished friendship:** Ms Aw and Ms Chua are friends and long-time colleagues for more than 40 years. Ms Chua remains a loyal staff of Hong Leong Finance since 1981.



Pictured here is Ms Aw and Ms Chua in Hong Kong in the early 1980s when Hong Leong Group Sports and Recreational Club (HLGSRC) used to organise inter-company games and activities across the Group's businesses in Southeast Asia. Both ladies played netball then. According to sources, they were very good!

I consulted another close colleague in Hong Leong Holdings on my desire to contribute with all proceeds donated to Assisi Hospice. She requested anonymity but instantly volunteered to partner me in this initiative and funded all the art materials required for this cause. With her support and encouragement, I began painting in early September and finished 54 pieces of artwork.

The paintings are priced from S\$38 to S\$288 each and comes in different styles and dimensions. Some appreciative buyers, including senior management across the Hong Leong Group companies, donated S\$300 to S\$500 apiece. I am grateful that I have pre-sold over 90% of my paintings ahead of the Assisi fundraiser and raised more than S\$6,000 for the good cause.

I sincerely appreciate my colleague's financial support for making this a reality. Who knew that this little passion of mine can turn into such a worthwhile contribution to the community!

*Hong Leong Group's member companies including **City Developments Limited**, **Millennium Hotels and Resorts**, and **Hong Leong Finance** are also participants of the virtual Assisi E-Fun Day 2022 from October 6 to 16.*

*Please click [here](#) to make a contribution. All proceeds go towards the palliative care of patients at the Assisi Hospice.*



**A labour of love (L-R):** Ms Aw's paintings, aptly named *Fulfilling*, *Charming*, *Summer* and *Gracious* are among the 54 pieces of artworks that she painted specially for Assisi Hospice 2022 annual charity fundraiser.





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#### ***My Millennium Prestige tier***

The "My Millennium Prestige" was launched in April this year, providing a host of enhanced benefits for our most loyal members, including a higher earn rate, welcome amenities, room upgrades, early check-in and late check-out, and more.

The Prestige tier was launched as travel restrictions began to relax globally. As both business and leisure trips begin to surge, travellers can tap on the enhanced benefits as they restart their travels.

"Having grown our base of My Millennium members since its initial launch, the natural progression for us was to create a higher tier to show our appreciation for members. My Millennium Prestige aims to give members more reasons to book their long-awaited vacations or business trips with us and make the most of our properties across the globe," said Ms. Pearlie Teo, Global Loyalty & Partnerships Director for Millennium Hotels and Resorts.

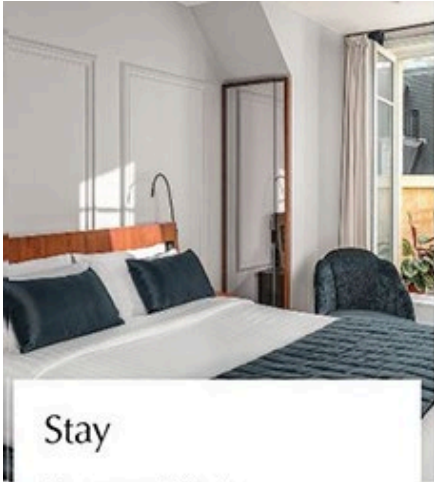
"As members rediscover or experience new destinations, we want to give them the opportunity to unlock a world of exciting benefits, from room upgrades and complimentary dining to bonus points, every time they visit or stay at our properties," she said.

To qualify for the Prestige tier, members simply have to stay a total of 10 nights per year at any of MHR's 145 hotels worldwide. They will be automatically upgraded to Prestige once the 10 nights per year are fulfilled.



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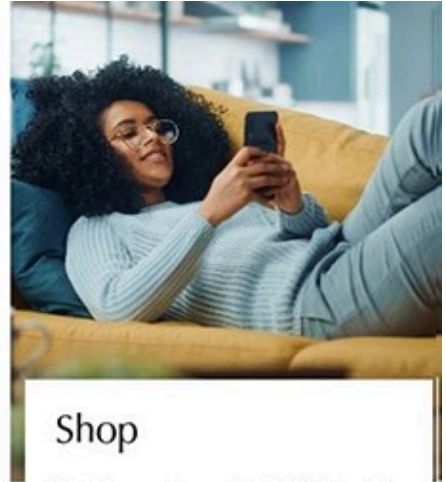
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Experience global cuisines and decadent afternoon teas with exclusive dining vouchers.



## Shop

Redeem on over 100 brands in My Millennium Mall, including Amazon, Apple, M&S, and more.

*Earn Member Points every time you stay with MHR hotels and redeem them on complimentary nights, room upgrades, over 100 brands in the My Millennium Mall, and more.*

### **Introducing My Millennium Mall**

My Millennium Mall is an online platform where members can shop with their Points on over 100 brands, including Amazon, Apple, Marks and Spencer and more. In addition, members can also use their points to redeem for complimentary or discounted stays or room upgrades with us, or indulge in global cuisines with exclusive dining vouchers.

### **Gaining momentum, making strides**

In August this year, My Millennium also clinched three award wins at MARKETING-INTERACTIVE's Loyalty & Engagement Awards 2022. They were recognized as the Best Regional Loyalty Campaign (Gold), Best Loyalty Programme in Travel & Hospitality (Silver), and Best CRM Strategy (Silver).

As travel continues to rise steadily, the team is excited to grow My Millennium to become even bigger and better!

For more information, please visit <https://www.millenniumhotels.com/en/programmes/my-millennium/>



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## HLA Takes The Crown For Having The Best Annual Report In Singapore

*Chairman of SGX RegCo Professor Tan Cheng Han presenting the “Best in Singapore” award for international annual reports to Hong Leong Asia Chief Executive Officer Mr Stephen Ho.*

Hong Leong Asia Ltd has been honoured as the Grand Award Winner for being the Best in Singapore at the 2022 International Annual Report Competition (“ARC”) Awards held in New York, USA, on 9 September 2022.

This was in addition to HLA clinching the gold award under the Manufacturing category for its 2021 annual report themed “Doing What Matters”. At the 17th Singapore Corporate Awards held on 30 August 2020, HLA was awarded Silver for Best Managed Board and Bronze for Best Annual Report, for Singapore Exchange-listed companies in the S\$300 million to less than S\$1 billion market capitalisation category.

The accolades attest to HLA’s unwavering efforts in ensuring effective communication with its stakeholders, whilst upholding the highest standards in transparency and accountability in our corporate disclosures and financial reporting.

The annual International ARC Awards, organised by MerComm Inc., is the world’s largest international competition honouring excellence in annual reports. 84 entries were received in 2022 and judged on criteria of creativity, clarity, effectiveness and excellence by a panel of distinguished judges.



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## The Tapestry Among Leaders Of Built Environment Transformation

*Receiving the award from Minister for National Development Mr Desmond Lee (4th from left) are Ms Tay Seok Cheng, CDL's Deputy Head of Property Development (3rd from left), with other builders, architects and consultants who contributed to the fruition of The Tapestry: Woh Hup (Private) Limited, ADDP Architects LLP, P&T Consultants, Belmacs NUCMI and Building System and Diagnostics Pte Ltd.*

The newly-launched Building and Construction Authority (BCA) Built Environment Transformation Award was announced at the opening event of the International Built Environment Week on 6 September 2022, and CDL's 861-unit residential project, The Tapestry, was one of the four winning projects demonstrating high standards in areas such as sustainability, productivity and digitalisation. The other winners include Eunoia Junior College, JTC's 1 and 7 North Coast developments located in Woodlands North Coast, and PSA Livable City.

CDL collaborated with its builder and consultants to successfully implement Integrated Digital Delivery (IDD) – one of the key thrusts under the Built Environment Industry Transformation Map (BE ITM), and through the adoption of IDD, the project benefitted from the full integration of processes and stakeholders along the value chain through advanced info-communications technology and smart technologies. With the IDD implementation, the project team was able to achieve the best design outcome for The Tapestry, while improving cost, time and quality project goals. Its productivity improved by more than 30% compared to 2010 levels, thereby speeding up completion and move-in dates for homeowners.

Following The Tapestry's success story, CDL's pipeline projects such as a residential development at Jalan Tembusu, will also be embarking on a similar IDD implementation to achieve faster construction and enhanced quality – translating to better outcomes for homeowners of CDL's projects.

In recognition of projects that embody the transformation goals of the refreshed BE ITM, the Built Environment Transformation Award recognises firms and industry practitioners who have honed their capabilities to build projects that exemplify in areas such as productivity, digitalisation and sustainability.





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*The Tapestry was one of the four winning projects of the inaugural BCA Built Environment Transformation Award.*

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## Christian Metzner Appointed General Manager Of W Singapore

*German-born Mr Christian Metzner joins W Singapore – Sentosa Cove as its General Manager. His motto to success is to take a people-centric approach.*

Moving from one vibrant metropolis to the next, veteran hotelier Christian Metzner crosses the border from Malaysia to join W Singapore - Sentosa Cove as General Manager at the iconic 240-key urban escape, bringing with him close to three decades of luxury hospitality experience and a fresh strategic vision for the property.

The saying that "If you fall in love with a country and its people, that makes any country warm to you," could not be more true for Metzner, who is no stranger to Singapore, having frequented for both business and leisure, returning many times to explore places loved and recommended by locals.

Hailing from Germany, Metzner's career with Marriott International, Inc. began in 1996 at the Arabella Sheraton Complex South Germany in Munich, and since then he has held numerous positions within the company, including leadership roles in Beijing, Tianjin, Langkawi, and most recently in Malaysia as General Manager at W Kuala Lumpur.

With an extensive background in Sales, Marketing and Revenue management, Metzner has a clear understanding on the evolving luxury travel expectations and has been forging business strategies in competitive fields around the region. But to him, all is for naught without first taking on a people centric approach to things.

When he is not at W Singapore, Metzner enjoys spending time with family and friends, visiting new restaurants and bars, cycling, running, or winding down at home with a bottle of Sauvignon Blanc.



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## Millennium Biltmore Los Angeles Welcomes Alex DeCarvalho As New General Manager

*Formerly Vice President of Sales and Marketing, North America for the Millennium Hotels group, Mr Alex DeCarvalho has now joined Millennium Biltmore Los Angeles as its new General Manager.*

Alex DeCarvalho has made the transition from the East Coast back to his California roots, and is now the General Manager of Millennium Biltmore Los Angeles.

A familiar name within the Millennium Hotels group, DeCarvalho started with Millennium Gloucester Hotel in London in 2015 before returning to the US in July of 2017 to take over as VP of Sales & Marketing for North America with the group.

After five years of experience working with the Millennium Group, DeCarvalho decided to return to his California roots and take his management experience to the iconic Millennium Biltmore Los Angeles. His prior experience ensures that the hotel's unique history will be honoured while also reaching new heights.

DeCarvalho plans to honour the Biltmore's rich history as it approaches its 100-year anniversary while embracing the ambiance of classic Hollywood in a revamped and modern way.





## Heritage Hotel Manila Joins Silver Mabuhay Awards

*Heritage Hotel Manila is among the hotels represented as the Association of Human Resources Manager in the hospitality industry across the Philippines.*



*Assistant HR Manager Ms Ching Baliling (2nd from left) takes a pose with other peer representatives at the event.*

On behalf of The Heritage Hotel Manila, Ms. Ching Baliling, our Asst. HR Manager, attended the launch of the 2022 Mabuhay Awards. It is now celebrating its 25th year, acknowledging exemplary efforts of hoteliers in the Philippine Hospitality Industry.

The Heritage Hotel Manila will be joining in the categories Managerial & Heart of the House. For the Managerial Category, the nominee must be a regular employee of the nominating organization and is in-charge of a department, division or business unit who manages at least 5 employees, during the year 2021.

For the Heart of the House Category, the nominee must be a regular employee of the nominating organization and holds a rank and file job category in a non-guest contact department during the year 2021 (or at least, 6 months of the year). Awarding of winners will be on November 21 at the Conrad Hotel.