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**Environment Nurturing Talents:
First University Sports and Amenities Building Achieving Platinum Rating**

HSMC announces its latest achievements on environmental protection and campus sustainability. Its Sports and Amenities Centre has recently achieved the Platinum rating under the assessment scheme “BEAM Plus Version 1.1 for New Buildings” of the Hong Kong Green Building Council (HKGBC). This award is received after the S H Ho Academic Building with the same Platinum rating in November 2014, both of which are the first of its kind in Hong Kong. HSMC is proud to be the first higher education institution in Hong Kong with a Platinum sports and amenities centre as well as a Platinum academic building.

In addition, HSMC also attained the provisional Platinum rating (BEAM Plus Version 1.2 for New Buildings) for its HSMC Jockey Club Residential Colleges in July 2014, the first time for such rating to be awarded to a student residential complex of a local university.

As one of the foremost advocates for green campus in the region, HSMC always upholds the principle of sustainability in its campus development. Bamboo material has been extensively used in its building design and construction and many innovative green measures have been adopted. With regard to the new Sports and Amenities Centre, the environmental features include bamboo wall panels, shading device, full height window to allow penetration of daylight, bamboo floors in the Sports Hall and the dance studio, and areas designated for planting organic vegetables at the green roof top. This advanced complex has a fitness centre, a multi-purpose room, a music room, two restaurants, and a 6-lane indoor swimming pool, with extensive energy-saving measures being adopted.

The substantial recognitions from HKGBC manifested HSMC’s innovations and commitments on cultivating a green campus. HSMC will continue its endeavour to provide a green and sustainable campus environment for the all-round development of its students to lead a fruitful and rewarding university life.

About HSMC:

Hang Seng Management College (HSMC) was restructured from the former Hang Seng School of Commerce and established in 2010 as a non-profit-making private university-level institution with five Schools (Business, Communication, Decision Sciences, Humanities & Social Science, and Translation). Adopting the unique “Liberal + Professional” education model, HSMC is a residential institution which puts quality teaching and students’ all-round development as its highest priorities. Aspiring to be a leading private university in Hong Kong, HSMC features top-quality faculty members, award-winning green campus facilities, innovative degree programmes, impactful research on corporate sustainability, and excellent student support services, with the aim of nurturing young talents with independent thinking, innovative minds, human caring and social responsibilities.

About the BEAM Plus Rating:

BEAM Plus is a comprehensive environmental assessment scheme for buildings recognised by the HKGBC. It includes the six aspects of a building project: (1) Site Aspects; (2) Materials Aspects, (3) Energy Use; (4) Water Use; (5) Indoor Environmental Quality and (6) Innovations and Additions. A rating would be issued to the project according to the scoring: Platinum, Gold, Silver, Bronze and Unclassified. For details, please visit <https://www.hkgbc.org.hk>.

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HSMC Sports and Amenities Centre



Bamboo Floors in the Sports Hall



Full Height Window Allows Penetration of Daylight