

Greenway 2026 – Driving Sustainability through Innovation: Industry Recommendations

In view of promoting the green and innovative transformation of our economies, the following recommendations from the industry are presented to The Hon Michael WL Wong, GBS, JP, in his capacity as Acting Financial Secretary, at the occasion of the Greenway 2026 “Driving Sustainability through Innovation” on 23 June 2026.

Green City & Infrastructure

1. Adopt “Whole Life-Cycle” Carbon assessments for construction projects and further incentivise the use of sustainable & low-carbon construction materials / suppliers.
2. Further incorporate and encourage sustainable and innovative features in public procurement rules and tendering practices.
3. Support the retrofitting of existing buildings for energy efficiency.
4. Use mandatory disclosure of building electricity consumption and energy performance labels, ratings systems, and benchmarking to assess and compare building energy efficiency.
5. Further incorporate biodiversity enhancement and low carbon features in new developments (including Northern Metropolis) and urban planning.
6. Strengthen Hong Kong’s waste management system by expanding recycling infrastructure and stakeholder collaboration, while enhancing producer responsibility schemes and promoting sustainable product design and recyclability through regulation.
7. Support the adoption of renewable and low-carbon energy solutions.

Green Finance

8. Leverage and enhance Hong Kong's role as an International Finance Centre, supporting the financial industry in financing the low-carbon transition and further developing the competitiveness of Hong Kong's green and sustainable finance ecosystem.

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9. Increase demand for green investment by improving public knowledge and awareness of green finance and green investing; increase impactful product supply by encouraging and incentivising the financial industry to develop green financial products.
10. Further channel existing investment capital (e.g. MPF, HKIC, Exchange Fund) and reserve allocation specifically for green investment and green technologies, thereby diversifying and enhancing both the long-term sustainable impact and investment returns.
11. Support interoperability / harmonization of green financial standards with key jurisdictions, including taxonomies and ESG reporting.
12. Improve ESG data quality & transparency and standardised reporting practices.
13. Further support and channel investments and capital into green R&D, Green technology and green fintech investments.

Green Mobility & Sustainable Supply Chain

14. Build on Hong Kong's role as a sourcing / supply chain management hub to promote sustainable business, supply chain, green supply chain financing and corporate due diligence and drive the green transformation in Asia.
15. Utilise Hong Kong's position as a premier transportation and logistics hub to advance regional leadership in sustainable aviation and shipping.
16. Continue to increase investment in sustainable aviation and shipping fuel's infrastructures, bunkering/blending capacity and supply chain. Further develop Hong Kong as a green fuel trading hub.
17. Encourage demand-side measures to support the SAF usage target
18. Encourage ships to connect to shore power while at berth and facilitate the repair of green engines.
19. Support the targeted deployment of hydrogen technologies for hard-to-electrify sectors such as heavy-duty vehicles, logistics equipment, ferries and marine applications.
20. Accelerate the development of hydrogen-related codes, standards, permitting systems and shared infrastructure corridors.



21. For Land transport, continue to promote the transition towards electric mobility, clean fuel and facilitate adoption of in-vehicle technologies for improved energy efficiency.

Green Technology and Innovation

22. Support green technology and innovation through regulations, government funding and long-term vision.
23. Further promote R&D and green technology investments through collaborative platforms and exchange.
24. Explore digital and AI-driven solutions and increase the quality of data.

Education, Public Awareness and Talent

25. Promote awareness on sustainability, climate change and nature across the population.
26. Integrate sustainability education into primary and secondary education curricula through cross-subject learning approaches.
27. Encourage schools to adopt sustainability programmes, including student projects, workshops and competitions.
28. Strengthen awareness of sustainability-related career pathways and integrate sustainability into career guidance systems.
29. Address the talent gap by incorporating high-quality sustainability courses into higher education degrees, encouraging upskilling, certification programs, and green talent schemes, and attracting overseas talent.

These recommendations have been prepared following consultations and discussions involving industry experts, professionals and stakeholders.

