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Graced by DPM Mr. Heng Swee Keat, CDL's 7th edition of the Youth4Climate Festival was brought to the Heartlands for the first time since its inaugural 2018 launch.

Editor's Note

This quarter has been a pivotal reminder of the urgent need for decisive action on climate change.

In August, the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) introduced guidance for integrating climate risks into financial reports, underscoring the growing significance of climate considerations for investors. Concurrently, the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) and the Taskforce on Nature-related Disclosures (TNFD) launched a new tool mapping their biodiversity standards, promoting greater alignment in environmental reporting.

By September, the world had witnessed its hottest August on record, marking the 14th consecutive month of rising global temperatures. This relentless heatwave had fueled catastrophic flooding across Europe, Africa, and Asia, amplifying existing climate risks and demanding urgent, collective action.

Amid these challenges, there are reasons for optimism. Clean energy achieved a major milestone in 2023, with over 40% of global energy production now derived from low-carbon solutions. This progress was driven by unprecedented investments in wind and solar energy, showcasing the transformative power of innovation and commitment.

In the face of these global developments, CDL remains steadfast in its sustainability journey, which began in the early 1990s. Over the decades, CDL has built a resilient foundation to navigate the complexities of today's dynamic sustainability landscape, achieving notable milestones and setting benchmarks along the way.

This quarter, CDL's track record and commitment to sustainability reporting were reinforced by several prestigious accolades. At the 20th Singapore Corporate Awards (SCA) 2024 in August, CDL was recognised under the Large Cap category with the inaugural Distinction in Sustainability Reporting and Best Risk Management (Bronze). These awards underscore CDL's strong governance practices and its consistent efforts to integrate sustainability into business strategy and reporting.

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Further solidifying its leadership in sustainability reporting, CDL clinched the Sustainability Reporting of the Year - Asia-Pacific (APAC) Award at the Environmental Finance Sustainable Company Awards 2024. This recognition highlights CDL's over 17 years of relentless dedication to improving and setting benchmarks in sustainable finance and reporting.

Additionally, CDL received two top awards at the BT-UOB Sustainability Impact Awards 2024, joining a distinguished group of 11 corporations and individuals honoured for notable contributions to sustainability. These achievements reflect CDL's unwavering commitment to making sustainability a core business priority.

Collaboration has always been at the heart of CDL's sustainability approach. To further this agenda, CDL launched the Singapore Sustainability Academy (SSA) Annex this quarter and celebrated with over 100 partners. The SSA Annex expands the capacity of the SSA to drive collaborative climate action and sustainable development, serving as a key platform for knowledge sharing and innovation.

CDL is also deeply invested in nurturing the next generation of sustainability leaders. Held in the heartland for the first time, this year's seventh annual Youth4Climate Festival 2024 rallied young people and the community to accelerate climate action.

As the world faces mounting climate challenges, the need to persevere and press forward has never been more critical. CDL's enduring commitment to sustainability, bolstered by partnerships and achievements, serves as a beacon of hope. Together, we can drive impactful change and build a sustainable future for generations to come.

Esther An
Editor

CDL Chief Sustainability Officer (CSO)

Quarterly Update of Sustainability Targets & Progress

Performance for Q3 2024

CDL FUTURE VALUE 2030 GOALS, TARGETS AND PROGRESS

Progress Tracking

-  Meeting interim targets, maintain performance towards meeting 2030 targets
-  Falling short of interim target for one year, review current practices
-  Falling short of interim target for more than two years, review and revise targets (if necessary)

FUTURE VALUE 2030 GOALS	2030 TARGETS	INTERIM 2024 ANNUAL TARGETS ¹	FY2024 Q3 PERFORMANCE
Goal 1: Building Sustainable Cities and Communities 	Achieve Green Mark certification for 100% of CDL owned and/or managed buildings ²	≥ 90%	 100% achieved
	Maintain 100% retail and office tenant participation in CDL Green Lease Partnership Programme	Achieve 100%	 100% maintained
	Maintain high level of commitment to adopt innovations and technology of green buildings	Average of two innovation and technology applications per year	Data will be reported at the end of the year
	Maintain a high level of sustainability engagements and advocacy activities	Average of ≥ 36 engagements and advocacy initiatives and activities per quarter	 Average of 94 engagement and advocacy initiatives and activities per quarter
Goal 2: Reducing Environmental Impact 	Achieve science-based target of reducing carbon emissions intensity by 63% from 2016 levels ³	30% reduction	 23.9% reduction ⁴
	Asset Management (AM) - Office & Industrial⁵		
	Reduce energy use intensity by 55.7% from 2016 levels	Energy use intensity: 28% reduction	 Energy use intensity: 22.6% reduction ⁷
Reduce water use intensity by 9.5% from 2016 levels ⁵	Water use intensity: 20% reduction	 Water use intensity: 25.8% reduction	

Reduce waste intensity by 8% from 2016 levels ^{5,6}	Waste intensity: 8% reduction	 Waste intensity: 17.7% reduction
Asset Management (AM)- Retail⁵		
Reduce energy use intensity by 55.7% from 2016 levels	Energy use intensity: 21% reduction	 Energy use intensity: 17.1% reduction ⁷
Reduce water use intensity by 10.8% from 2016 levels	Water use intensity: 39% reduction	 Water use intensity: 36.3% reduction ⁸
Reduce waste intensity by 5% from 2016 levels ⁶	Waste intensity: 2% reduction	 Waste intensity: 7% reduction
Corporate Office		
Reduce energy use intensity by 63% from 2016 levels	Energy use intensity: 16% reduction	 Energy use intensity: 10.4% reduction ⁹
Property Development (PD)¹⁰		
Achieve an energy use intensity of 95 kWh/m²	Energy use intensity: ≤105 kWh/m²	Environmental performance will be reported upon obtaining TOP and confirmation of final intensity values for Projects.
Achieve a water use intensity of 1.54 m³/m²	Water use intensity: ≤1.72 m³/m²	
Achieve a waste intensity of 40 kg/m² ⁶	Waste intensity: ≤ 47.5 kg/m²	
Ensure 100% of appointed Suppliers ¹¹ are certified by recognised EHS standards	100% of vendors appointed by AM; 100% of main contractors and ≥90% of key consultants appointed by PD	

	<p>Reduce embodied carbon of building materials by 41% compared to 2016 baseline</p> <p>Reduce absolute scope 3 GHG emissions from investments¹² by 58.8% by 2030 from a 2016 base year</p>	<p>33% reduction compared with 2016 baseline</p> <p>34% reduction</p>	<p>Data will be reported at the end of the year</p> <p>Data will be reported at the end of the year</p>
<p>Goal 3: Ensuring Fair, Safe and Inclusive Workplace</p>  	Maintain zero corruption and fraud incidents across CDL's core operations	Zero	○○● Zero corruption and fraud incident
	Maintain zero fatality across CDL's operations and direct suppliers in Singapore	Zero	○○● 0 fatality
	Maintain zero occupational disease across CDL's operations and direct suppliers in Singapore	Zero	○○● Zero occupational Disease
	Maintain a Major Injury Rate (Major IR)¹³ of 10.0 across CDL's operations and direct suppliers in Singapore	≤ 14.5	○○● 0 Major IR
	Maintain a Minor Injury Rate (Minor IR)¹³ of 460.0 across CDL's operations and direct suppliers in Singapore	≤ 574.0	○○● 280.14 Minor IR

Notes:

¹ The interim 2024 annual targets were reviewed in April 2024 and reflected in the table above.

² Calculated based on % of total gross floor area (aligned with BCA's calculation of green buildings).

³ Intensity figures were calculated based on per unit net lettable floor area.

⁴ 2024 temperatures are noted to be high, continuing from 2023 due to lingering effects of El Nino and inter-monsoon period leading to higher cooling loads, and subsequently higher carbon emissions from assets due to increased electricity use.

⁵ Water use and waste intensities include water use and waste disposed of by CDL Corporate Office.

⁶ Waste intensity figures are for non-recyclable waste.

⁷ 2024 temperatures are noted to be high, continuing from 2023 due to lingering effects of El Nino and inter-monsoon period leading to higher cooling loads resulting in increased electricity use.

⁸ Due to AEI activities at City Square Mall, there was an increase in water consumption. The hotter weather also contributed to increased water consumption.

⁹ Corporate office experienced an overall increase in the number of staff and meetings in 2024, compared to the same period in 2023.

¹⁰ For projects that obtained TOP status for the reporting year.

¹¹ These refer to vendors engaged for proprietary equipment service and maintenance, facility management, security and cleaning service appointed by AM, and main contractors and key consultants (architects, civil and structural engineers, mechanical and electrical engineers) appointed by PD.

¹² Investment refers to the Group's five key subsidiaries: CBM Pte Ltd, City Serviced Offices, Le Grove Serviced Residences, Tower Club Singapore, hotels owned and managed by M&C.

¹³ Major and Minor IR refer to the number of major and minor workplace injuries per 100,000 persons employed, respectively. For the definition of Major and Minor IR, please refer to the [Ministry of Manpower's website](#).

Singapore Corporate Awards (SCA) 2024 (20th edition)

CDL RECEIVED TWO ACCOLADES UNDER THE LARGE CAP CATEGORY, THE INAUGURAL DISTINCTION IN SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING AS WELL AS BEST RISK MANAGEMENT (BRONZE)



Team CDL at the SCA 2024 celebrating the Company's two awards.

27 AUGUST 2024 - For its 17th Integrated Sustainability Report (ISR) 2024, CDL is honoured to be recognised for its commitment to sustainability reporting excellence with the conferment of the inaugural Distinction in Sustainability Reporting Award at the Singapore Corporate Awards (SCA) 2024. The Company was also awarded the Best Risk Management (Bronze) at the SCA.

The SCA's Distinction in Sustainability Reporting was introduced this year to recognise corporates with exemplary sustainability reporting practices and efforts. This prestigious recognition reaffirms CDL's leadership in providing transparent and comprehensive sustainability disclosures in Singapore.

Launched in 2005 by the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants, Singapore Institute of Directors and The Business Times, the SCA is the umbrella awards for exemplary corporate governance practices for listed companies in Singapore. It consolidates existing awards while introducing new awards in corporate governance excellence. •

CDL awarded two top awards at BT-UOB Sustainability Impact Awards 2024

CDL WAS AMONGST 11 CORPORATES AND INDIVIDUALS RECOGNISED FOR NOTABLE CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS SUSTAINABILITY



[Left] CDL's GCEO, Mr. Sherman Kwek received the award from GOH, President Tharman Shanmugaratnam.

[Right] CDL's CSO, Ms. Esther An was named Impact Leader of the Year for being a pioneer in the sustainability arena.

26 SEPTEMBER 2024 - CDL was recognised at the BT-UOB Sustainability Impact Awards for its unwavering commitment to sustainability, securing two prestigious accolades. The ceremony, graced by Guest-of-Honour (GOH) President Tharman Shanmugaratnam, celebrated the achievements of 11 corporates and individuals who have made notable contributions to advancing sustainability.

CDL was conferred the following top honours:

1. Impact Enterprise of the Year Award (Large Enterprise Corporate Category)
 - o This award recognises CDL's capacity-building initiatives and thought leadership in driving climate action.
2. Impact Leader of the Year Award
 - o Bestowed upon individuals pioneering sustainability, this accolade underscores CDL's role as a trailblazer in environmental stewardship.

Jointly presented by The Business Times and UOB, the awards were first introduced in February 2023 to honour outstanding individuals and organisations striving to make a meaningful impact on society and the environment.

The achievements have garnered extensive media coverage, including features in The Business Times, The Straits Times, and Lianhe Zaobao, as well as on social media platforms. Video interviews with CDL's Group Chief Executive Officer (GCEO), Mr. Sherman Kwek and CDL's CSO, Ms. Esther An have further amplified the company's advocacy for sustainable development.

These accolades reaffirm CDL's leadership in sustainability and its unwavering dedication to creating a greener, more inclusive future for all. •

Environmental Finance Sustainable Company Awards 2024

CLINCHED THE SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING OF THE YEAR - ASIA-PACIFIC (APAC) AWARD



10 SEPTEMBER 2024 - CDL was conferred the Sustainability Reporting of the Year - Asia-Pacific (APAC) award at the Environmental Finance Sustainable Company Awards 2024.

CDL's recognition as a leader in the APAC region reflects over 17 years of hard work and relentless dedication to continually improving and setting benchmarks in sustainable finance and reporting.

The Environmental Finance Sustainable Company Awards shines a light on leading companies that are actively driving change in their approach to responsibility and sustainability, pivoting their resources operations and entire business models to align or push past sustainability and climate targets. •

Driving Sustainability through Partnerships & Thought Leadership

Singapore Sustainability Academy (SSA) Annex Opening Ceremony

SSA ANNEX AIMED AT EXPANDING THE SSA'S CAPACITY TO ACCELERATE COLLABORATIVE CLIMATE ACTION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



[Left] Located on the roof terrace of City Square Mall, Singapore's first eco-mall, the entire facility - SSA (right) and SSA Annex (left) - measures 6,990 sq ft.

[Right] The newly launched SSAA is a state-of-the-art, net-zero energy hub.

25 JULY 2024 - CDL continues to lead in sustainability and climate action with its expansion of the Singapore Sustainability Academy (SSA). The opening of the SSA Annex (SSAA) marks a significant step in accelerating collaborative efforts towards sustainable development. The SSA Annex was officially inaugurated by Deputy Prime Minister (DPM) Mr. Heng Swee Keat. The event was attended by over 200 partners, industry representatives and CDL's Board and management team.

The original SSA, a 4,300 square foot net-zero energy facility, was designed with sustainable construction materials sourced from responsible sources. It has played a pivotal role in advancing CDL's sustainability mission, hosting more than 1,000 events, welcoming over 35,000 visitors, and engaging over 100 partners since its inception. With classrooms, a gallery, and conference facilities, the SSA has been instrumental in promoting sustainable practices and training a diverse array of stakeholders.

The new SSA Annex expands the original facility by an additional 2,690 sq ft, providing state-of-the-art conference and meeting spaces, as well as resources for hybrid virtual and in-person collaborations. Positioned on the roof terrace of City Square Mall, the SSA Annex continues CDL's mission to create a net-zero future, designed to operate with zero energy consumption, in line with Singapore's Green Plan 2030 and the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The SSA Annex focuses on enhancing capacity building and collaboration, engaging businesses, NGOs, and the community to advance climate action and sustainable development. One of the main highlights of the SSA Annex is its strategic partnerships with both local and global NGOs. The United Nations Global Compact Network Singapore (GCNS) serves as the anchor NGO partner, showcasing CDL's commitment to supporting organisations aligned with global climate action goals.



The opening event was attended by 200 of CDL's friends and partners, graced by GOH Mr. Heng Swee Keat and included a guided tour of the new space.

As part of its mission to foster innovative solutions, the SSA Annex will facilitate collaborations with various partners such as TA.LE, ChopValue, City Sprouts, Vidacity, Aerosprings, resavour, and Fogo Fungi. These partnerships emphasise CDL's dedication to supporting forward-thinking startups and initiatives focused on sustainability.

CDL's Group CEO, Mr. Sherman Kwek, highlighted the significance of the SSA Annex at the official launch, stating, "Addressing climate change requires collaborative efforts across industries, governments, and organisations. Through strategic partnerships, we can harness diverse expertise and resources to accelerate innovative solutions for a sustainable future."

The SSA and its new Annex are key to CDL's broader commitment to sustainability, offering space for training programmes, workshops, and advocacy events that engage diverse stakeholders. These facilities are crucial to promoting climate action, sustainable urban development, and the transition to a low-carbon economy.

The SSA Annex houses an *Eco Library* with a bookshelf crafted from 56,600 upcycled chopsticks, contributing to a reduction of 2,756 kg of carbon emissions. This demonstrates how the SSA Annex integrates practical, eco-friendly solutions into its design, further enhancing its role as a hub for climate action and sustainable development.

The expansion of the SSA reflects CDL's long-standing dedication to promoting a multilateral approach to sustainability. By bringing together partners from different sectors—including the World Green Building Council, the World Business Council for Sustainable Development and many others—the SSA Annex will drive efforts to achieve net-zero goals and advance Singapore's sustainability leadership on the global stage. •

Catalysing Change within the Larger Ecosystem

Youth4Climate Festival 2024

THE 7TH EDITION OF THE YOUTH4CLIMATE FESTIVAL WAS HELD IN THE HEARTLANDS FOR THE FIRST TIME



Y4C Concert performers posing for the camera with DPM Mr. Heng Swee Keat [back row, middle, in red] and CDL's CSO, Ms. Esther An [back row, middle, in dark blue].

13 - 14 July 2024 - CDL's flagship youth environmental outreach programme, the Youth4Climate (Y4C) Festival, returned for its seventh edition in partnership with People's Association and held at Heartbeat @ Bedok.

Held in support for Go Green SG Week (formerly known as Climate Action Week) organised by the Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment (MSE), Y4C aims to rally youths and the community to accelerate climate action. DPM Heng Swee Keat, along with Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Communications and Information & Ministry of National Development, Mr. Tan Kiat How graced the event. DPM Heng also delivered opening remarks at the Y4C Festival on 13 July.



[Left] DPM Mr. Heng Swee Keat giving the opening remarks at the Y4C Concert on stage.

[Right] Go Green SG Ambassadors and Singaporean influencers Glenn Yong and Annette Lee warmed up the crowd with their energy.



In line with Go Green SG's aim to rally and mobilise the community to take collective action towards a sustainable future for Singapore, CDL rolled out an exciting line-up of climate-themed initiatives, which included the following:

Youth4Climate Concert

- The concert kicked off with an inspiring "Go Green SG Jingle" performance with piano and guitar, written and performed by Go Green SG Ambassadors and Singaporean influencers, Annette Lee and Glenn Yong.
- This year's concert showcased an exciting line-up of singing, dancing and instrumental acts by talented youths, as well as a storytelling session from winners of CDL's 2024 "We Love Our Planet" Storytelling Contest.

Eco-Marketplace

- With a growing community of sustainable green vendors in Singapore, the Eco- Marketplace featured over 30 sustainable vendors who are passionately dedicated to promoting sustainability and eco-conscious living.

Eco Educational Workshops

- Y4C 2024's specially curated line-up of eco educational and hands-on workshops educated guests on taking climate action and experience eco-conscious living.
- Amongst CDL's workshop partners were EB Impact, GWS Living Art, The Fashion Pulpit, Stridy, Tembusu CSR, and Alpha Fitness, who covered topics on creative writing, sustainable fashion, upcycling, food waste and food security, importance of mental well-being and an active lifestyle, and more.

Movie Screening

- Zootopia and Big Hero 6 were screened to encourage viewers to learn more about the impact of climate challenges, interconnected ecosystems and technology and innovation. •

Catalysing Change within the Larger Ecosystem

CDL-GCNS Young SDG Leaders Award 2024 Final Judging

THE 14TH EDITION OF THE AWARD CONTINUES TO ENGAGE, EDUCATE AND EMPOWER YOUTHS TOWARDS DRIVING SDG 13 CLIMATE ACTION



[Left] Panel of esteemed judges evaluating one of the finalist teams' proposals at the Singapore Sustainability Academy.

[Right] The panel of judges for this year's competition from various esteemed organisations.



27 July 2024 - The 14th CDL-GCNS Young SDG Leaders Award Final Judging session spotlighted 10 finalist teams. from various universities that gave impressive presentations on their proposed sustainability strategy and initiatives on their respective case companies: CBM Pte Ltd, Keystone Cable, GUAVA Amenities, AlSCO, Mandai Wildlife Group, iWOW, Toll Group, Mitsubishi Electric, Pacific International Lines, and Umami Bioworks.

The panel of judges comprised CDL's Chief Sustainability Officer, Ms. Esther An; GCNS' Executive Director Ms. Esther Chang; Singapore Exchange Regulation's Listing Policy & Product Admission Head and Sustainable Development Office Head, Mr. Michael Tang; National Youth Council's Director of Partnerships Lab, Ms. Karen Lee; Stewardship Asia Centre's Research & Engagement Senior Vice President, Mr. Sunil Puri; WTW's Managing Director Mr. Shai Ganu; and Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment's Deputy Director (Climate Adaptation), Energy and Climate Policy Division, Ms. Petrina Leo.

The prize presentation ceremony was held at the GCNS Summit later in the year, in October. •

SSA & SSAA Highlights: 1 July - 30 September 2024

Building a sustainable future requires the collaboration of a larger ecosystem. With support from six government agencies and 15 founding industry and NGO partners, the Singapore Sustainability Academy (SSA) and Singapore Sustainability Academy Annex (SSAA) is a global hub for sustainability collaboration and capacity building. The first-of-its-kind, it is a zero-energy facility dedicated to advancing the SDGs and climate action through hosting free events, workshops and sustainability-related talks that are open to the public. In Q3 2024, the SSA and SSAA welcomed over 2,485 in-person attendees.



One Young World delegates and Ambassadors with CDL's Chief Sustainability Officer Esther An (front row, third from left), and Mr. Jean-Dominique Ieraci, High Commissioner of Canada (front row, third from right).

One Young World (OYW) Send-off

30 August 2024 - The annual One Young World (OYW) Summit is a global forum that brings together young leaders from across the world to discuss and drive action on critical global issues, such as sustainability. This year, topics comprise ensuring indigenous voices are represented in decision-making; solving the climate and ecological crisis; using AI for the common good; striving for gender equality in healthcare; and establishing lasting peace.

The OYW Singapore Send-off, held at the SSA, gave this year's Singapore delegates a chance to meet with other delegates and also connect with One Young World Ambassadors who have attended the Summit in the past.

The session kicked off with a welcome by CDL's CSO, Ms. Esther An, and also featured a dialogue between Samantha Thian, One Young World ASEAN Coordinating Ambassador, as well as Mr. Jean-Dominique Ieraci, High Commissioner of Canada, who shared about the vibrant city of Montreal, the host for OYW 2024. •

1 July 2024

Global Summit on Sustainable Agriculture

Organised by ESGuru Pte Ltd and hosted by the World Peasant Association, the Global Summit on Sustainable Agriculture brought together leaders from the global agriculture sector to share their experiences and contribute to Singapore's 30 by 30 goal. The summit featured five panels focused on Global Food Security, ESG in Agriculture, Decarbonisation & Carbon Credits, New Agricultural Technologies and Investment & Funding in Agriculture.

4 July 2024

UN Global Compact Network Singapore (GCNS) Briefing for University of Newcastle Students (UON)

Under the New Colombo Plan (NCP), the University of Newcastle (Australia) brought 40 business students from Newcastle to Singapore from 25 June to 7 July 2024. The objective of this NCP-sponsored trip was to provide UON students with exposure to important issues in Singapore such as Sustainability, Culture and Governance, presented by Global Compact Network Singapore.

6 July 2024

Green Bootcamp @ North West



This event was a platform for youths to ideate and take the lead as green change-makers in the community. Youths were encouraged to think outside the box and devise innovative solutions to address pressing environmental issues. Through a series of insightful talks and workshops by subject matter experts, participants were expected to learn and incorporate the

knowledge acquired into their proposed solutions. The team pitching and award presentation were held at SSA, graced by the Mayor of North West District, Mr. Alex Yam.

7 July 2024

Singapore Youth for Climate Action (SYCA): Reimagine Your Street



At this workshop, SYCA introduced participants to the concept of safe streets and emphasised the importance of considering factors like safety, convenience and accessibility for diverse groups in urban planning. While environmentalists have long advocated for carbon-lite travel, the question was raised, 'Is low-carbon transport always safe and accessible? If not, how can improvements be made?' SYCA delivered a presentation at the SSA followed by an outdoor walk around City Square Mall to give participants a first-hand understanding of the topics discussed. After the walk, they returned to the classroom for a mapping exercise, where they identified "hot spots" in the streets and brainstormed solutions for safer streets. Participants came from a diverse array of backgrounds and contributed a wide range of insights based on their experiences living in different parts of Singapore.

15 July 2024

CDL SME Supplier Decarbonisation Programme- Scope 3 Reporting



The CDL SME Supplier

Decarbonisation Programme introduced CDL suppliers to a new decarbonisation initiative. It was launched earlier in the year in collaboration with Global Green Connect, carbon accounting IT solution providers and DBS bank, supported by Enterprise Singapore. To expand its outreach, CBM engaged their vendors and CDL's main contractor, Who Hup volunteered to support the programme. July's session was lead-managed by Who Hup and saw increased participation from sub-contractors.

16 July 2024

NUS Enterprise Summer Programme Learning Journey



CDL hosted 80 NUS students from 22 different countries for a learning journey that featured a keynote address by CDL's CSO, Ms. Esther An on CDL's integration of sustainability, innovation and stakeholder partnerships to drive business resilience and contribute to a sustainable future. This was followed by a panel discussion titled "Innovating Towards a Sustainable Future," which featured leaders of sustainability-focused startups, who discussed topics such as the inspirations behind their ventures, investment challenges and the importance of sustainable innovation.

17 July 2024

UN Global Compact Network Singapore (GCNS) Carbon Accounting and greenhouse gas (GHG) Management- Key to a Low-Carbon future

Offered by GCNS as part of the Enterprise Sustainability Programme (ESP) Decarbonisation Courses, this

professional certificate course enables the global transition to a low-carbon energy system through upskilling company staff in carbon accounting and GHG management. It caters to both beginners and those with prior experience in the subject.

25 July 2024

SSA Annex (SSAA) Opening Ceremony



CDL marked a significant milestone with the official opening of the SSAA on 25 July 2024. Guest-of-Honour DPM Mr. Heng Swee Keat officiated the ceremony, which was attended by more than 200 of CDL's 3P partners and friends to celebrate the occasion. The SSAA aims to be a hub for promoting sustainability through collaborations and capacity building within the community.

27 July 2024

CDL-GCNS Young Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Leaders Award Final Judging



The 14th CDL-GCNS Young SDG Leaders Award Final Judging session spotlighted 10 finalist teams, from various universities, who delivered impressive presentations on their proposed sustainability strategies and initiatives for their respective case companies.

2 August 2024

PA BecauseiCARE Day 2024



Hosted at the SSA, the People's Association organised a service quality appreciation event for four integrated hubs in Singapore Wisma Geylang Serai, Tampines Hub, Heartbeat@Bedok, and One Punggol. The event aimed to reinforce the importance of a service-excellence culture, celebrate and recognise the staff for their hard work and show appreciation to employees while improving their well-being by fostering a caring and conducive workplace environment.

8 August 2024

Clean Creatives Singapore Meet-up



Clean Creatives, a movement of advertisers and PR professionals serving ties with fossil fuels, organised an interactive game night featuring trivia about fossil fuels and advertising campaigns. During the event, participants discussed how they could unite to support climate action in Singapore.

16 August 2024

GCNS Sustainability and Carbon Management Workshop



The workshop began with an overview of corporate sustainability and delved into ESG risks and opportunities as well as the benefits of adopting sustainability. It included insights into the importance of identifying and prioritising

stakeholders and the matters that were important to them, and it explored how to initiate sustainability reporting in non-onerous ways using the RICE assessment tool.

17 August 2024

SUSS (Singapore University of Social Sciences) Living Soil Asia Fieldwork Research Sharing

At this event, SUSS Living Soil Asia shared quantitative and qualitative findings from their reflections on the research process and outcomes with partners and invited guests. The Living Soil Asia team also aimed to bring together the soil community gardeners, as well as partners and friends, to connect and share experiences.

19 August 2024

CDL Sustainability Committee Kick-off Meeting



CDL's Sustainability Team hosted an internal Sustainability Committee kick-off meeting for the upcoming Integrated Sustainability Report 2025. During the meeting, employees were updated on changes to global frameworks and disclosures, as well as the upcoming ISSA 5000, an international sustainability assurance standard.

22 August 2024

B Lab Singapore & Vero: 50 Shades of Green(washing)



Organised by B Lab Singapore and Vero, this workshop aimed to demystify the 50 shades of greenwashing that are prevalent, aimed at educating brands and businesses on how to avoid them.

23 August 2024

SGTech Sustainability Guided Programme (SGP) Free Information Session #9



These sessions, organised by SGTech, were 2-hour gatherings for non-listed companies to learn how the SGTech SGP enabled them to produce their first ESG report for banks, tenders, investors and other stakeholders. Participants also had the opportunity to engage in closed-door small-group sessions with SGTech's Appointed Implementation Partners, receiving their first complimentary consultation on their business needs. This event was open to public participation from SME leaders of any sector who were interested in having their ESG reports completed.

24 August 2024

DECK Photography Art Centre: Photographing with Intention



It was a workshop designed to explore the camera as a tool for visualising and expressing one's inner thoughts and emotions. Much like other art forms, photography offered a compelling alternative for self-expression when words fall short. Through a guided activity, participants were encouraged to immerse themselves in the mindful

practice of photographing with intention. The workshop aimed to foster self-awareness and highlight the benefits of slowing down to connect more deeply with the creative process.

25 August 2024

World Wildlife Fund (WWF) WeGotThis Youth Dialogue



The session was a dynamic leadership programme tailored for aspiring young leaders aged 18 to 30. Through interactive sessions and project showcases, participants delved into groundbreaking initiatives that blended innovation with environmental stewardship, fostering a community of forward thinkers. The programme aimed to inspire, educate and empower youth to spearhead positive change in the realms of technology and sustainability. The topics explored included how innovation and technology linked back to nature and conservation, environmental stewardship and leadership and science communication.

29 August 2024

Zuno Carbon: Navigating ESG Disclosures- Perspectives from Key Industry Leaders



This session revolved around the following topics: commonly faced issues with the evolving disclosure frameworks, converging different perspectives and market forces for sustainability, the adoption rate of ESG reporting frameworks across

large, mid-market, and small enterprises; and overcoming sustainability data silos while harnessing technology to streamline data harmonisation across teams.

30 August 2024

One Young World (OYW) Send-off



The One Young World Send-off, held at the SSA, provided this year's Singapore delegates with the opportunity to meet other delegates and connect with one Young World ambassadors who had attended the Summit in the past.

31 August 2024

Dialogue on Green Transition for Businesses with Member of Parliament (MP) Louis Ng



Organised by the Climate Change Motion Committee, the dialogue featured MP Louis Ng discussing a Motion in Parliament aimed at providing support for businesses in the green transition. MP Louis heard from banks, businesses and trade associations about the challenges that businesses, particularly SMEs, faced during this transition to a greener economy.

7 September 2024

Singapore International Foundation Climate Hack 2024



Climate Hack 2024 kicked off with a half-day virtual Climate Conference at the SSA, where attendees learned about the key causes of climate change and its impacts as well as the solutions implemented to mitigate and adapt to it. Participants explored the roles of the public, private and people sectors, along with the benefits.

7 September 2024

DECK Photography Art Centre Workshop



At this workshop, participants explored the creative journeys of the 9th Singapore Young Photographers Award judges, Zac Tan and Juliana Tan. Aspiring artists and art enthusiasts alike discovered the stories behind their work, their unique approaches to photography and the inspirations that drove their practice. This was followed by a photo editing session led by Zac Tan, where he guided participants through essential techniques and tools in Adobe Lightroom, covering everything from file management and color retouching to the delivery.

12 September 2024

ITE College East Built Environment Learning Journey



40 ITE students and their lecturers from ITE College East attended an engaging talk hosted by CDL's CSO, Ms. Esther An, at the SSA as part of their learning journey. Ms. An shared invaluable insights on sustainability practices, innovations driving

sustainable urban development, and the importance of environmental responsibility in today's world. The interactive session sparked thoughtful discussions among the students, encouraging critical thinking about their roles in shaping a sustainable future. This experience not only enriched their understanding of sustainability but also inspired them to further develop careers in estate management while motivating them to become proactive advocates for sustainability within their communities.

14 September 2024

Stridy x Singapore Youth For Climate Action (SYCA) Plastics Treaty Cleanup



The SYCA x Stridy Teach-in was a collaborative event designed to raise awareness and foster understanding of the global plastic crisis, including its impact in Singapore. By combining hands-on environmental action with educational discussions, the event engaged participants in both the immediate and systemic challenges posed by plastic waste. It served as a platform to educate citizens on common misconceptions related to plastic waste and the broader context of sustainable plastic management. During the session, SYCA and Stridy conducted an urban cleanup in the vicinity of City Square Mall. After the cleanup, Stridy led a discussion on the issues of littering and waste management in Singapore. Following Stridy's presentation, SYCA gave a talk on the Global Plastics Treaty, explaining how local issues reflect a wider global problem and what participants can do to address it.

16 September 2024

Singapore Leaders Network: Sustainable Cities (SGLN) and Carbon Markets Panel



Organised by SGLN as part of the SGLN Fellowship Programme's Action Learning Project series, this event brought together leaders from diverse sectors to share insights on how cities, which account for over 70% of global CO₂ emissions, could play a pivotal role in the fight against climate change.

17 September 2024

The Matcha Initiative: Sustainable Resource Management: A Multi-fresh Event



Sustainability is changing the way businesses operate and perform, while also redefining industry terms and KPIs. One such example was how organisations managed resources, no longer solely focusing on improving economic efficiency, minimising costs and maximising profits. Instead, the impact of resource utilisation on social and environmental factors became a key indicator of business's resource efficiency, as well as how sustainable and responsible their resource management was. The Matcha Initiative's event served as a 'welcome back' to its network and invited participants to explore one of three key elements of sustainable resource management through an interactive and engaging workshop. Participants learned about the issues and challenges related to key resources, such as plastic or biodiversity, or alternative business models like the circular economy.

They also explored existing solutions to improve the landscape of resource management and material utilisation.

19 September 2024

The Matcha Initiative: Opportunities in the Environmental Industry with German Chamber of Commerce



Jointly organised, The Matcha Initiative and the German Chamber of Commerce, this event delved into how sustainability was shaping and changing the economy and society.

It's relevance to young people, and how they could contribute to global sustainability efforts, whether as sustainability professionals or in their current roles. The speakers included Jakob Lambsdorff, CEO of ALBA Singapore, and Remi Cesaro, Founder and Director of Zero Waste City.

28 September 2024

Climate Youth Development Programme (CYDP) 2024 Fireside Chat with Minister Grace Fu



The Ministry of Sustainability and Environment (MSE), National Youth

Council, and National Climate Change Secretariat established the CYDP in 2023 to strengthen the Government's partnership with youth in advancing climate action and sustainable development. Upon completing the CYDP, the youth became part of the Climate Youth Community (CYC), a group of youth leaders that the Government engaged, cultivated, and deployed in the environment and climate space. Prior to the fireside chat with MSE's Minister Grace Fu, CDL's CSO, Ms. Esther An, welcomed the youths and shared insights about the SSA. This was followed by an open discussion where participants had the opportunity to network and share updates on their sustainability projects.

Thought Leadership Speaking Engagements in Q3 2024

At CDL, we believe in sharing our knowledge and contributing to the broader conversation about sustainability. Speaking at conferences, school events, global initiatives and hosting learning journeys are opportunities to raise awareness about the importance of environmental conservation, corporate governance, and social responsibility. Here are some key events that we have participated in this quarter.

1 July

Taskforce on Nature-related Financial Disclosures, CATCH (Corporate Adoption of Tech) Forum 2024

3 July

Elevandi, Point Zero Forum

9 July

Reuters, Reuters Next APAC

16 July

National University of Singapore (NUS), NUS Enterprise Summer Programme in Entrepreneurship

18 July

Singapore Sustainable Finance Association (SSFA), SSFA-Singapore Green Building Council (SGBC) Real Estate Roundtable

19 July

Singapore University of Technology and Design (SUTD), SUTD Fireside chat

19 July

Temasek Polytechnic (TP), TP School of Business Fireside Chat

23 July

Global Compact Network Singapore (GCNS), GCNS CEO Roundtable 2024

24 July

DHL, An Era of Sustainable Logistics Panel

31 July

Singapore Institute of Directors (SID), SID's CGS Forum

2 August

People's Association (PA), PA Workplan

5 August

United Nations Global Compact (UNGC)/The Economist, Forward Faster Now - Asia & Oceania

15 August

SingHealth, Singapore Healthcare Management Congress

21 August

Singapore General Hospital (SGH), SGH Future Round-Table Panellist discussion on Sustainability for future healthcare

29 August

Sembcorp, GoNetZero Lunch and Sharing

30 August

Boston Consulting Group (BCG) / BCapital / Accacia, Launch of Research Paper: Asia's Untapped Green Innovation: Opportunity to Decarbonise its Built Environment

4 September

Climate Group Organization Asia Building and Construction Authority (BCA), International Built Environment Week (IBEW)

4 September

Financial Times (FT), FT Moral Money Summit

5 September

FT, FT Moral Money Summit - Private Roundtable

5 September

UNGC, Small and Medium-sized Enterprise Series "Is the colour of finance green?"

12 September

Institute of Technical Education (ITE), ITE Built Environment Talk

16 September

Singapore Leaders Network Fellowship, Sustainable Carbon Markets Panel

24 September

UNGC, UNGC Leader's Summit

28 September

Singapore Management University (SMU), Master of Sustainability Programme - Sustainability Innovation

30 September

Economic Development Board/PwC, Study on ESG and identify and assess opportunities for Singapore-based lawyers arising from sustainability-related trends