



(Left) CDL received the Impact Enterprise Excellence Award (Large Enterprise) at the inaugural Sustainability Impact Awards 2023 organised by The Business Times and UOB on 3 August 2023. (Right) The Youth4Climate Festival, CDL's flagship youth event since 2018, was graced by Minister for Sustainability and the Environment, Ms. Grace Fu (second from the right).

The second half of 2023 saw a continuation of the devastating climate- and nature-related catastrophes across the world. This Summer, the Northern Hemisphere experienced extreme heat and destructive rainfall<sup>1</sup>. The 2023 Canadian wildfire season was one of the worst on record, burning over 15 million hectares of land<sup>2</sup>. Deadly floods have also hit multiple countries in Asia, including Japan, China, and India, displacing millions of people and causing billions of dollars in damage<sup>3</sup>. World Meteorological Organization (WMO) Secretary-General, Professor Petteri Taalas, highlighted that "extreme weather is having a major impact on human health, ecosystems, economies, agriculture, energy, and water supplies." In September, the Antarctic Sea ice reached its lowest record, exposing the ocean surface to greater warming and enhancing sea level rise<sup>4</sup>. The United Nations also declared that up to one million species are threatened by extinction and many ecosystems are at risk of collapse. These events are a stark reminder of the urgent need to act on climate change and protect nature.

Nature loss is a fast-growing Environmental and Social Governance (ESG) issue as nature enhances social well-being, health, and livelihoods, and 44% of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in cities is estimated to be at risk of disruption from nature loss. The new Nature-Positive Cities initiative by the World Economic Forum seeks to pursue an approach that transcends net-zero to build cities that are both future-proof and nature-positive<sup>5</sup>. Representing CDL, I am honoured to be invited to join the Nature-Positive Cities Global Commission that brings together mayors, business leaders, world-renowned urban planners and practitioners to raise awareness on the importance of healthy ecosystems in building more liveable and resilient cities<sup>6</sup>. CDL will also pioneer and voluntarily adopt the Taskforce on Nature-related Financial Disclosures (TNFD)

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<sup>1</sup> [Exceptional heat and rain, wildfires and floods mark summer of extremes | World Meteorological Organization \(wmo.int\)](#)

<sup>2</sup> [Mapping 100 years of forest fires in Canada | Canadian Geographic](#)

<sup>3</sup> [Asia floods: Death toll climbs in severe monsoon season - BBC News](#)

<sup>4</sup> [Antarctic Sea Ice Sees Record Low Growth \(nasa.gov\)](#)

<sup>5</sup> [Nearly half of City GDP at Risk of Disruption from Nature Loss, New Report Finds > Press releases | World Economic Forum \(weforum.org\)](#)

<sup>6</sup> [Community - Nature-Positive Cities \(naturepositivecities.org\)](#)

recommendations for 2024 to provide nature-related financial information for ESG investors to make informed investment decisions.

CDL continues to exemplify our commitment to education and thought leadership through our contribution to the book titled "Peace with Nature", which comprises 50 inspiring essays on nature and the environment. The book, co-produced by Professor Tommy Koh and edited by Ms Lye Lin Heng (Director of the Asia-Pacific Centre for Environmental Law (APCEL) & former Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Law, NUS) and Dr. Shawn Lum (Lecturer at NTU Asian School of the Environment), was launched in August by Minister for National Development Mr. Desmond Lee.

As a testament to CDL's long-standing dedication in engaging youth and the community, we were awarded the Impact Enterprise Excellence Award (Large Enterprise) by the Inaugural BT-UOB Sustainability Impact Awards for our Singapore Sustainability Academy (SSA), CDL Green Gallery, and Youth4Climate social impact initiatives. The fourth edition of the "We Love Our Planet" Storytelling Contest concluded at the final judging session in July at the SSA. The top contestants in the Family, Preschool, Lower Primary, and Upper Primary categories sent in the most engaging and inspiring stories under the theme "Say No To Waste!"

We are in a race against time to address climate change and nature loss. At CDL, we are steadfast in our resolve to achieve our sustainability goals. We will continue to focus on making a positive impact, accelerate climate action, engage our stakeholders, and push the boundaries of corporate sustainability.

Esther An

Editor

CDL Chief Sustainability Officer

# QUARTERLY UPDATE OF SUSTAINABILITY TARGETS & PROGRESS

## PERFORMANCE

### CDL FUTURE VALUE 2030 GOALS, TARGETS AND PROGRESS

#### Progress Tracking












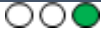




Meeting interim targets, maintain performance towards meeting 2030 targets

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 2023 ANNUAL TARGETS <sup>1</sup>	FY2023 Q2 PERFORMANCE
<b>Goal 1: Building Sustainable Cities and Communities</b>  	Achieve Green Mark certification for <b>100%</b> of CDL owned and/or managed buildings <sup>2</sup>	≥ 90%	○○● 100% achieved
	Maintain <b>100%</b> retail and office tenant participation in CDL Green Lease Partnership Programme	Achieve <b>100%</b>	○○● 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 ≥ <b>36</b> engagements and advocacy initiatives and activities per quarter	○○● Average of 54 engagement and advocacy initiatives and activities per quarter
<b>Goal 2: Reducing Environmental Impact</b>  	Achieve science-based target of reducing carbon emissions intensity by <b>63%</b> from 2016 levels <sup>3</sup>	<b>27%</b> reduction	○○● 32% reduction
	<b>Asset Management (AM) - Office &amp; Industrial<sup>4</sup>:</b>		
	Reduce energy use intensity by <b>55.7%</b> from 2016 levels	Energy use intensity: <b>21%</b> reduction	○○● Energy use intensity: <b>21.6%</b> reduction
	Reduce water use intensity by <b>9.5%</b> from 2016 levels <sup>4</sup>	Water use intensity: <b>2%</b> reduction	○○● Water use intensity: <b>12.9%</b> reduction
	Reduce waste intensity by <b>8%</b> from 2016 levels <sup>4,5</sup>	Waste intensity: Limit increase to less than <b>17%</b>	○○● Waste intensity: <b>18%</b> reduction

	<b>Asset Management (AM)-Retail<sup>4</sup>:</b>  Reduce energy use intensity by <b>55.7%</b> from 2016 levels  Reduce water use intensity by <b>10.8%</b> from 2016 levels  Reduce waste intensity by <b>5%</b> from 2016 levels <sup>5</sup>	Energy use intensity: <b>27%</b> reduction  Water use intensity: <b>9.5%</b> reduction  Waste intensity: Limit increase to less than <b>8%</b>	 Energy use intensity: <b>22.8%</b> reduction <sup>6</sup>   Water use intensity: <b>48.2%</b> reduction   Waste intensity: <b>2%</b> reduction
	<b>Corporate Office:</b>  Reduce energy use intensity by <b>63%</b> from 2016 levels	Energy use intensity: <b>14%</b> reduction	 Energy use intensity: <b>17%</b> reduction
	<b>Property Development (PD)<sup>7</sup>:</b>  Achieve an energy use intensity of <b>95 kWh/m<sup>2</sup></b>  Achieve a water use intensity of <b>1.54 m<sup>3</sup>/m<sup>2</sup></b>  Achieve a waste intensity of <b>40 kg/m<sup>2</sup></b> <sup>5</sup>	Energy use intensity: <b>≤105 kWh/m<sup>2</sup></b>  Water use intensity: <b>≤1.72 m<sup>3</sup>/m<sup>2</sup></b>  Waste intensity: <b>≤47.5 kg/m<sup>2</sup></b>	 Energy use intensity: 3 out of 3 currently TOP projects did not meet target <sup>8</sup>   Water use intensity: 2 out of 3 TOP projects did not meet target <sup>9</sup>   Waste intensity: 1 out of 3 TOP projects did not meet target <sup>10</sup>
	Ensure <b>100%</b> of appointed Suppliers <sup>11</sup> are certified by recognised EHS standards	<b>100%</b> of vendors appointed by AM; <b>100%</b> of main contractors and <b>≥90%</b> of key consultants appointed by PD	Data will be reported at the end of the year
	Reduce embodied carbon of building materials by <b>41%</b> compared to their conventional equivalents	<b>21%</b> reduction for new projects awarded	Data will be reported at the end of the year
	<b>Goal 3: Ensuring Fair, Safe and Inclusive Workplace</b>   	Maintain <b>zero</b> corruption and fraud incidents across CDL's core operations	<b>Zero</b>   <b>Zero</b> corruption and fraud incident
	Maintain <b>zero</b> fatality across CDL's operations and direct suppliers in Singapore	<b>Zero</b>	 <b>1</b> fatality <sup>12</sup>
	Maintain <b>zero</b> occupational disease across CDL's operations and direct suppliers in Singapore	<b>Zero</b>	 <b>Zero</b> occupational disease

	Maintain a <b>Major Injury Rate (Major IR)<sup>13</sup> of 10.0</b> across CDL's operations and direct suppliers in Singapore	<b>≤ 15.3</b>	 <b>0 Major IR</b>
	Maintain a <b>Minor Injury Rate (Minor IR)<sup>13</sup> of 460.0</b> across CDL's operations and direct suppliers in Singapore	<b>≤ 593.0</b>	 <b>150.7 Minor IR</b>

Notes:

<sup>1</sup> The 2030 targets and interim 2023 annual targets were reviewed in Q2 2022 and reflected in the table above.

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

<sup>3</sup> Intensity figures were calculated based on per unit net lettable floor area.

<sup>4</sup> Water use and waste intensities include water use and waste disposed of by CDL Corporate Office.

<sup>5</sup> Waste intensity figures are for non-recyclable waste.

<sup>6</sup> 2023 Q2 experienced high temperatures that would have resulted in a higher cooling load.

<sup>7</sup> For projects that obtained TOP status for the reporting year. The projects are, Piermont Grand EC, Haus on Handy and Boulevard 88 / The Singapore EDITION

<sup>8</sup> For energy use intensity, the targets were not met for Piermont Grand EC, Haus on Handy and Boulevard 88 / The Singapore EDITION namely due to the prolongation of the construction process caused by COVID-19.

<sup>9</sup> For water use intensity, the targets were not met for Haus on Handy and Boulevard 88 / The Singapore EDITION namely due to the prolongation of the construction process caused by COVID-19.

<sup>10</sup> For waste intensity, the targets were not met for Boulevard 88 / The Singapore EDITION due to a higher waste generation from interior design materials associated with a mixed development project that includes a Hotel.

<sup>11</sup> 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.

<sup>12</sup> There was one reported Fatality case that occurred during demolition at Newport site in Q2 2023. Investigation is still ongoing by Ministry of Manpower (MOM).

<sup>13</sup> 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](#).

## SUSTAINABILITY ACCOLADES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

# Sustainability Impact Awards 2023

**CDL wins Impact Enterprise Excellence Award (Large Enterprise) at the inaugural Sustainability Impact Awards 2023 organised by The Business Times and UOB**



*Minister for Sustainability and the Environment of Singapore, Ms. Grace Fu (centre); SPH Media Trust Chairman, Khaw Boon Wan (to her left), UOB Deputy Chairman and CEO, Wee Ee Cheong (to her right), and the winners and judges of the Sustainability Impact Awards 2023.*

3 AUGUST 2023 – We were awarded the Impact Enterprise Excellence Award (Large Enterprise) at the inaugural Sustainability Impact Awards Ceremony 2023 for spearheading net-zero developments in Singapore through the Singapore Sustainability Academy (SSA), CDL Green Gallery, and Youth4Climate initiatives. CDL CSO, Ms. Esther An, received the award from the Guest-of-Honour, Minister for Sustainability and the Environment, Ms. Grace Fu.

Held at the Fullerton Hotel Singapore, a total of ten individuals and enterprises were honoured for significantly benefitting the environment and societal well-being and demonstrating outstanding leadership in sustainability for a nature-positive future.

The Sustainability Impact Awards was launched on 1 February 2023. It is jointly presented by The Business Times and United Overseas Bank (UOB), with the Centre for Governance and Sustainability (CGS) at the NUS Business School as a knowledge partner. •



# DRIVING SUSTAINABILITY THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS AND THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

## ADVOCACY & BEST PRACTICES

### In collaboration with CDP: “Beyond Climate and into Nature” Panel Discussion

#### Developing strategies towards environmental stewardship



*The event was attended by about 70 friends and partners from diverse industries, ranging from consultants to investors to Non-Governmental Groups.*

28 JULY 2023 – Business supply chains face the imminent issue of natural resource depletion arising from forest and biodiversity loss. This is an urgent and pressing matter that demands serious attention and immediate action.

Reacting to this concern, we collaborated with CDP to host “Beyond Climate and into Nature: Developing Strategies Towards Environmental Stewardship”, a panel discussion aimed at educating about forest and biodiversity issues locally and globally, and the impact on businesses. The discussion also aimed to impart knowledge about how businesses can contribute to a more sustainable future for all.

Held at the SSA, the event featured the launch of CDP’s Global Forest Report and a presentation by Dr. Thomas Maddox, Global Director, Forest and Land, CDP. He shared the key findings from CDP’s Global Forest Report 2022 and addressed the interconnectedness of climate change and biodiversity. He also discussed the importance of stopping nature loss and degradation to achieve a net-zero and nature-positive economy.

Following this was a panel discussion moderated by CDL CSO, Ms. Esther An, with speakers Dr. Thomas Maddox, Associate Principal Biodiversity Consultant from EnviroSolutions & Consulting, Mr. Kang Min Ngo, Board Member of Nature Society (Singapore), and Ms. Carolyn Lim, Senior Corporate Communication Manager from Musim Mas Group. •

# CDL-GCNS Young SDG Leaders Award Final Judging

Into its 13<sup>th</sup> year, this annual competition continues to educate and empower youth



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

22 JULY 2023 – The CDL-GCNS Young SDG Leader Award 2023 final judging session was graced by an esteemed judging panel comprising UN Global Compact Network Singapore Deputy Director, Ms. Chitra Venkatesh; Singapore Exchange Regulation Listing Policy & Product Admission Head and Sustainable Development Office

Head, Mr. Michael Tang; National Youth Council Youth Corps Singapore Executive Director, Mr. Kah Kuang Ong; Stewardship Asia Centre Research & Engagement Senior Vice President, Mr. Sunil Puri; WTW Managing Director, Mr. Shai Ganu; and Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment Climate Mitigation Senior Deputy Director, Mr. Yuan Sherng Tay.

Judges were deeply impressed by the teams' extensive knowledge and understanding of environmental issues and their innovative solutions to incorporate Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) into business operations. A big congratulations to all the teams on their incredible work towards driving positive change! The award presentation will take place at the GCNS Summit 2023 on 2 November 2023. •

## My Tree House “We Love Our Planet” Storytelling Contest Final Judging

Nurturing children's love for nature and encouraging environmental literacy



*Team The Green Crusaders presenting their winning storytelling demonstration to a panel of judges.*

8 JUNE 2023 – In collaboration with National Library Board (NLB), we hosted the fourth edition of the "My

Tree House 'We Love Our Planet' Storytelling Contest," centred around the theme "Say No to Waste!". Concluding the contest was a final judging session held at the SSA, featuring teams from Family, Preschool, Lower Primary, and Upper Primary categories.

The panel of judges comprised Principal Librarian, NLB, Ms. Heng Huey Bin; Chief Operating Officer, Stewardship Asia Centre, Ms. Joanna Soh; Director, MoonShadow Stories & The Storytelling Centre Limited, Ms. Kamini Ramachandran; Radio Host and Climate & Finance Journalist, SPH Radio, Ms. Rachel Kelly; and CDL CSO, Ms. Esther An.

The top finalists were featured in a commemorative video titled “We Love Our Planet—Say No to Waste!” •



# CATALYSING CHANGE WITHIN THE LARGER ECOSYSTEM

## PARTNERSHIPS & ENGAGEMENTS

### CDL Youth4Climate Festival 2023

In support of Go Green Singapore and The President's Challenge



9 JULY 2023 – The Youth4Climate Festival, our flagship youth environmental outreach programme, was held on 8 and 9 July 2023. For the sixth consecutive year, this event was organised in support of Go Green SG, an initiative by the Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment to rally youth and the community to accelerate climate action. To this end, we unleashed a thrilling array of climate-centric initiatives:

#### 1. Youth4Climate Concert

The fourth Youth4Climate Concert showcased several youth performances, including a storytelling session from the winners of the My Tree House “We Love Our Planet” Storytelling Contest 2022. The concert also featured our donation to the President’s Challenge of S\$5.00 for every ‘like’ and ‘share’ of Youth4Climate-related social media posts on social platforms.

#### 2. Eco Marketplace

The Eco Marketplace featured 40 vendors dedicated to promoting sustainable and eco-conscious goods. Products ranged from coasters made from eggshells to furniture made with upcycled plastic milk bottles.

#### 3. Eco-Educational Workshops

We partnered with EB Impact, Seastainable, Just Keep Thinking, Scratchbac, and Stridy to curate educational workshops. These workshops aimed to teach the public about climate science, waste management and reduction, and eco-conscious living.

#### 4. Movie Screening

Participants were treated to a screening of the films “Happy Feet” and “Happy Feet 2” to bring across the impacts of climate change. This is in line with our third Climate Action Exhibition, titled “Melting Ice, Sinking Cities”, which is held at the CDL Green Gallery (see [CDL’s website](#) for more information).

CDL CSO, Ms. Esther An, mentioned that the festival is “one of our many youth programmes to cultivate and nurture future green champions over the years”. She also asserted our company’s unvarying belief “in the power of youth and communities”. Further, she added that the festival “amplifies eco-consciousness and action to support the global and national climate targets towards a sustainable future for all.” •

# NTU-SDG Open Hack SG with GGEF

**CDL's 2<sup>nd</sup> year partnership engaged 400 youth to bolster entrepreneurial spirit for ESG**



*Presentation of certificates for the SDG Open Hack! SG at Singapore Sustainability Academy with CDL CSO, Ms. Esther An.*

13 MAY - 15 JULY 2023 - Another year of continued support from us for the CDL-Global Green Economic Foundation (GGEF) SDG Open Hack! Singapore. This year, we sponsored the prize of a six-month rent-free space at the Incubator for SDGs located at Republic Plaza. Some of the main corporate sponsors included Global Green Connect and Market for Good.

In addition to receiving six rent-free months at the Incubator4SDGs, each of the three winning teams received the following prizes:

- Most Investable Solution: Acceptance to the SMU Institute of Innovation & Entrepreneurship's (IIE) Business Innovations Generator (BIG) Incubation Programme
- Most Innovative Solution: Bali Sustainability Experiential Learning Trip
- Most Impactful Solution: Summer SDG Programme in Geneva for four weeks

Organised by GGEF and held at the SSA, participating teams comprised of youth from the Social Impact Catalyst and various Institutes of Higher Learning, including Ngee Ann Polytechnic, Nanyang Technological University (NTU), and the National University of

Singapore. Other programme partners included the Embassy of Switzerland in Singapore, SwissCham Singapore, University of Geneva and Geneva Tsinghua Initiative. The open hack aimed to inspire students to address societal and environmental issues through the 17 UN SDGs. It also aimed to foster innovation and entrepreneurship, among other skills.

The open hack consisted of two rounds. In the first round, students, along with their mentors, developed innovative solutions during a 24-hour on-campus session. In the second round, the top eight teams, each from a different institution, were required to present their solutions to an esteemed panel of judges that included partners from Open Geneva, Global Green Connect, CDL, Maybank, and the China Management Science Society.

The solutions presented reflected the teams' abundant knowledge and in-depth understanding of complex issues confronting our global community. Teams displayed an admirable knack for harnessing resources, conducting research, and employing creative thinking to craft practical, real-world solutions.

Indeed, the event was a great way to celebrate innovation and the vital role that young people play in promoting a sustainable and inclusive future for future generations. •



## INTERNAL TRAININGS AND VALUE CHAIN ENGAGEMENTS



*Our inaugural Green Building, Decarbonisation & Safety Seminar on 6 September*

6 SEPTEMBER 2023 – As part of our company’s ongoing commitment to educate our workforce on sustainability, we organised our first-ever company-wide Green Building, Decarbonisation, and Safety seminar. Held in September at the Orchard Hotel Singapore, it was attended by over 100 employees and subsidiaries.

The seminar featured interactive role-playing segments and engaging sustainability games while exploring essential topics related to green building, decarbonisation, and safety, including mental health.

During his opening address, CDL Head of Green Building, Decarbonisation, and Safety, Mr. Allen Ang, shared his aspiration for the seminar to motivate colleagues to “adopt a safe and green mindset and appreciate low-carbon principles and practices to support our corporate net-zero vision”.

Two more runs of the seminar will be held in October and November; this will allow more than 350 employees to equip themselves with foundational knowledge about sustainability-related topics. •

## Engaging Value Chain for EHS Excellence

### Proactive management engagement with main contractors and workers



**(Left)** CDL Group CEO, Mr. Sherman Kwek distributing insect repellent to workers at our Irwell Hill Residences development site. **(Right)** An on-site engagement by Mr. Kwek; CDL Group General Manager, Mr. Chia Ngiang Hong; Head of Property Development Division, Ms. Lee Mei Ling and Head of Green Building, Decarbonisation & Safety, Mr. Allen Ang.

10 JULY 2023 – To recognise the importance of stakeholder engagement in the building value chain, our management team conducts monthly visits to our buildings and construction sites.

This is on top of enforcing a robust Workplace Health and Safety (WSH) system, in line with our commitment to Environment, Health and Safety (EHS) excellence.

In July, CDL Group CEO, Mr. Sherman Kwek, and Group General Manager, Mr. Chia Ngiang Hong, met over 25 workers at the Irwell Hill Residences construction site to better understand onsite WSH protocols and advocate the importance of upholding them. •

## SINGAPORE SUSTAINABILITY ACADEMY: DYNAMIC HUB FOR THOUGHT LEADERSHIP, ADVOCACY & CAPACITY BUILDING

Building a sustainable future requires the collaboration of a larger ecosystem. With support from six government agencies and 15 founding industry and NGO partners, we have created the Singapore Sustainability Academy (SSA) to be a hub for capacity building, thought leadership, and networking. The first of its kind, it is a zero-energy facility dedicated to advancing the SDGs and climate action.

Despite the pandemic, the SSA has continued its mission by hosting a series of physical and hybrid sustainability talks. These sessions were free and open to the public, enabling the SSA to expand outreach beyond our shores. In Q2 2023, the SSA welcomed over 1,300 in-person attendees. •

### SSA HIGHLIGHTS: 1 July – 30 Sep 2023



#### Youth Expedition Project Leaders' Training Course

1 July; 2, 21 & 22 September 2023

The Youth Expedition Project Leaders' Training Course was organised by Field Training Pte Ltd with the goal of empowering young people to take meaningful action and discover causes that they are passionate about, ultimately instilling in them the value of active citizenship. At this event, leaders and youth participants collaborated to address social issues by developing innovative solutions aligned with the SDGs.

#### SDG Open Hack 2023 Finale

15 July 2023



Jointly organised by the following organisations: CDL, United Nations for Training and Research (UNITAR), Open Geneva, the University of Geneva, Singapore universities, FairPrice Group, MSCI Inc., and the Global Green Economic Foundation's network partners, the SDG Open Hack 2023 aimed to foster collaboration, innovation, and entrepreneurship among contestants from local tertiary institutions. The event also aimed to impart insights about the UN SDGs and inspire contestants to tackle social and environmental issues. •





## 13th CDL-GCNS Young SDG Leaders Award Final Judging

22 July 2023

*Unveiling the future sustainability leaders through the 13th CDL-GCNS Young SDG Leaders Award.*

Ten teams from various tertiary institutions were spotlighted during the 13<sup>th</sup> CDL-GCNS Young SDG Leaders Award Final with their thoughtful and impressive sustainability strategies. The panel of judges include CDL CSO, Ms. Esther An; GCNS Knowledge and Strategic Initiatives Deputy Director, Ms. Chitra Venkatesh; Singapore Exchange Regulation Listing Policy and Product Admission Head, Sustainable Development Office Head, Mr. Michael Tang; National Youth Council, Youth Corps Singapore Executive Director, Mr. Kah Kuang Ong; Stewardship Asia Centre Research and Engagement Senior Vice President, Mr. Sunil Puri; Willis Towers Watson Managing Director, Mr. Shai Ganu; and Ministry of Sustainability and the Environment Climate Mitigation Senior Deputy Director, Mr. Yuan Sherng Tay. •

## GCNS Carbon Accounting and GHG Management Course: Key to a Low-Carbon Future

24 July; 8 & 24 August;

6 & 20 September 2023



*Participants were captivated as they delved into the global ecocide movement.*

The Carbon Accounting & GHG Management course titled “Key to a Low-Carbon Future” is a professional certificate course as part of the Enterprise Sustainability Programme (ESP) Decarbonisation Courses offered by UN GCNS. This course provides comprehensive coverage of key topics, including decarbonisation regulations and trends, carbon pricing, emission measurement using CERT, offsets, and insights into the voluntary carbon market. These topics are crucial elements of the global transition to a low-carbon energy system. •



## Robeco ESG Training

27 July 2023

*Diving deep into 30 years of sustainable investing expertise with Robeco - unlocking the keys to ESG integration.*

Robeco, an international asset manager, is a leader in the field of sustainable investing. They have nearly three decades of vast experience since 1995! In this session, they discussed the inner workings of their industry and the integration of ESG. •

## Beyond Climate and into Nature: Developing Strategies Towards Environmental Stewardship Panel Discussion

28 July 2023



*Diving into the critical link between climate, biodiversity, and business supply chains at CDL and CDP's insightful event.*

Together with CDP, we hosted a panel discussion titled, “Beyond Climate and into Nature: Developing Strategies Towards Environmental Stewardship”. The panel discussion provided an overview of forest and biodiversity loss as well as mitigative steps that corporations can take. CDP also launched their Global Forest Report 2022 at the event. •



*Empowering young eco-champions to “Say No to Waste” through storytelling and creativity at the My Tree House Contest.*

## My Tree House “We Love Our Planet” Storytelling Contest Final Judging 2023

29 July 2023

At the My Tree House “We Love Our Planet” Storytelling Contest Final Judging 2023, finalists impressed the esteemed panel of judges with their engaging and inspiring stories on the theme "Say No to Waste!". The top finalists were then featured in a commemorative video titled "We Love Our Planet—Say No to Waste!". •

## One Young World ASEAN Leadership Forum

5 August 2023



*Young leaders united for change, sparking dialogue, and accelerating impact at the inaugural One Young World ASEAN Leadership Forum.*

The One Young World ASEAN leadership forum united youth from across the region who are actively transforming their communities in the fields of climate, education, and mental health. The forum aimed to provide these young leaders and changemakers with a platform to network and discuss about how they can collaborate to accelerate their regional impact. The three plenary sessions revolved around the topics of "leadership in tackling our climate emergency", "quality education in ASEAN" and "prioritising mental health".

“Joining One Young World (OYW) gave me the opportunity to grow, learn, share and broaden my horizons with like-minded peers globally. It is the first step towards achieving our vision to bring the collaboration with OYW to this part of the world so that our youths can be inspired to become ambassadors and powerful drivers of change and positive social impact in the community,” said Rena Tan, Senior Manager of CDL’s Sustainability team.



*Exploring the path to a greener world with insights from sustainability leaders at the Seminar.*

## NUS Master of Science (Environmental Management) Seminar Series: Journey Towards a Greener World 10 August 2023

Organised by the NUS School of Continuing and Lifelong Education (SCALE), the “Journey Towards a Greener World” seminar series featured insightful sharing by the Academic Director of the Master of Science (Environmental Management) Programme, Associate Professor Lau Siu Kit, and CDL CSO, Ms. Esther An. Following that was a fireside chat and Q&A session about businesses’ role in striving for sustainability with Starhub Chief Corporate and Sustainability Officer, Ms. Veronica Lai.

## UN GCNS Foundations in Corporate Sustainability Course 16 August; 7 & 8 September 2023



*Empowering professionals to kickstart their corporate sustainability journey with GCNS.*

UN GCNS “Foundations in Corporate Sustainability” Course is an introductory course for working professionals. The course provides an overview of global and regional sustainability trends. It also imparts knowledge about how sustainability practices can improve business operations and optimise productivity.



*Agencies unite to express gratitude to former President Halimah Yacob for her invaluable support in mental health advocacy.*

## Silver Ribbon (Singapore) Appreciation Ceremony for former President Halimah

26 August 2023

Twenty-one mental health agencies and 13 mental health advocates together came together to show their appreciation to former President Halimah Yacob for her unwavering support for mental health advocacy. The event featured speeches by Silver Ribbon President, Ms. Ellen Lee, JP, PBM, and the following community partners: Agency for Integrated Care Ltd., Care Corner Singapore Ltd., Club HEAL, the Institute of Mental Health, Limitless, and Singapore Anglican Community Services. •

## GAC Pathway Towards Decarbonisation Workshop 28 August 2023



*Joining forces for a sustainable future, driving collective decarbonization efforts.*

The “Pathway Towards Decarbonisation” Workshop was jointly organised by Gulf Agency Company (GAC) and UN GCNS. The workshop aimed to engage GAC’s value chain partners in establishing the Green Ally Champions, a collaborative effort dedicated to advancing towards decarbonisation. •





## ACI Launch

29 August 2023

*Pioneering the Asia voluntary carbon market, accelerating GHG mitigation projects, and forging key partnerships at its Singapore launch.*

The Asia Carbon Institute (ACI) is the first non-profit organisation that offers certification and registration services for carbon credits.

The organisation's primary focus is on certifying projects related to technology and urban solutions that reduce carbon emissions. It aimed to address the gaps in Asia's voluntary carbon market, and accelerate the development of more greenhouse gas (GHG) mitigation projects globally. •

## BSI Group Singapore Pte Ltd: Accelerating the Adoption of Sustainability Practices for the Hospitality Industry

30 August 2023



*The hospitality industry takes a sustainable stride forward for responsible business and tourism.*

The hospitality industry is increasingly focused on adopting sustainable practices that include reducing energy consumption and food waste, and developing strategies to manage and offset carbon emissions. In line with this, British Standards Institution (BSI) Singapore Pte Ltd organised "Accelerating the Adoption of Sustainability Practices for the Hospitality Industry" aimed at promoting responsible business and tourism. This event featured expert speakers from BSI, EHL Hospitality Business School, Climate Impact X, and Sodexo Singapore who shared their perspectives on how the industry can leverage existing standards and best practices to accelerate the adoption of sustainable practices. •



## Inter-University Environmental Coalition Bootcamp

3 September 2023

*Empowering student leaders for environmental change through passion and collaboration.*

Thirty-five student leaders from green clubs of local universities came together at the Inter-University Environmental Coalition Bootcamp to exchange knowledge and ideas and collaborate on environmental initiatives, charting a collective path towards advancing environmental goals. The event featured the following activities: the mapping of Singapore's youth environmental scene; a marketplace session; and a design thinking workshop. •



## SYCA Local Conference of Youth 2023

9 & 16 September 2023



Organised by Singapore Youth for Climate Action (SYCA), the Local Conference of Youth (LCOY) 2023 marks Singapore's first in-person LCOY. The LCOY aimed to equip Singapore's youth with knowledge to influence climate negotiations and policies, thereby empowering them. Participants engaged in boundary-pushing discussions about prominent themes in recent international climate negotiations. They were encouraged to think outside the box when it came to seasoned topics such as carbon markets, and explore new ones, like community-based adaptation. •



## SEC: Putting Sustainability into Practice for Business Course

20, 21, 26 & 29 September 2023

Jointly organised by Enterprise Singapore and the Singapore Environment Council (SEC), the "Putting Sustainability into Practice for Business" course is part of the Enterprise Sustainability Programme. Into its sixth run, this recurring sustainability course is comprised of four sessions, each on a separate day. •

## Stridy Urban Clean Up

23 September 2023



Stridy advocates for cleaner environments through cleanups, workshops, and talks. They organised the Urban Clean Up programme that featured a litter-picking activity around Farrer Park and a sharing on Singapore's waste management system. Specifically, Stridy discussed the different processes a piece of rubbish undergoes from the moment it is thrown into the bin until it ends up at Semakau Land Fill. •



## Quarter EHS Audit Seminar

27 September 2023

Our quarterly EHS Five-Star Audit Seminar featured speeches from the following esteemed individuals: CDL Assistant Vice President, PD-Projects, Mr. Lim Song King; Ministry of Manpower Workplace Safety and Health Council Inspector, Ms. Katez Zhou; IGnesis Consultants Pte Ltd Managing Director, Mr. Henry Ho; and Independent Consultant, Ms. Braema Mathi. The event closed with the announcement of the Q3 2023 5-Star EHS Audit Results. •

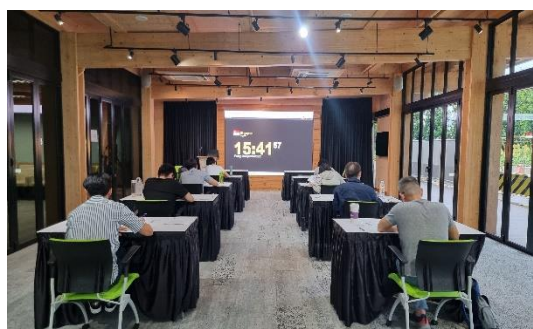
## GGC Academy Fireside Chat: Driving Sustainability in Green Technology

28 September 2023



*Shaping a sustainable future through insightful reporting excellence at GGC's Fireside Chat.*

Global Green Connect (GGC) Academy alumni and the community came together at the “Driving Sustainability in Green Technology” Fireside Chat, aimed to provide the community with a platform to exchange insights on upholding sustainability practices in today’s fast-paced environment. The session covered the following topics: the importance of sustainability reporting excellence, the evolving sustainability reporting landscape and the crucial role of the International Sustainability Standards Board (ISSB) in establishing global standards. •



*The exam, which is held every quarter, was taken by eight candidates at the SSA in September.*

## CESGA Examinations

29 September 2023

Co-organised by the European Federation of Financial Analysts Societies, Sustainable Finance Research Hub and Global Green Connect, the Certified Environmental Social and Governance Analyst Exam (CESGA) examination saw its fifth run since its official launch in Singapore in August 2022. Upon passing the examination, candidates can add a ‘Certified ESG Analyst®’ or ‘CESGA®’ title after their name.

## Secondsguru’s 9<sup>th</sup> Zero Waste Bootcamp Kick-off Event

30 September 2023



*Community-driven eco+social projects take center stage as youth forge a path towards a greener future.*

Secondsguru’s 9<sup>th</sup> Zero Waste Bootcamp (ZWB) aimed to provide youth with a platform to collaborate with their peers to design and execute eco+social projects in the community. At the Kick-off Event, participants had the opportunity to work with local organisations to innovate social and environmental solutions. Thereafter, the teams will craft an action plan to roll out in the community for 12 weeks. •

# THOUGHT LEADERSHIP SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS IN Q3 2023

5 Jul | Community Engagement Asia

14 Jul | CERES-JLL 2023 Stakeholder Dialogue

20 Jul | 7th Singapore-Indonesia Youth Leaders Exchange Programme

20 Jul | SFIC Site Tour to CDL Green Gallery

27 Jul | UN Global Compact Virtual Open House

28 Jul | CDP Panel: Beyond Climate & Into Nature Developing Strategies Towards Environmental Stewardship

2 Aug | SGTI Forum

4 Aug | The GEAR Student Conference

5 Aug | One Young World

10 Aug | NUS MSc (Environmental Management) Visit to Singapore Sustainability Academy

11 Aug | NUS & Community of European Management Schools visit to the CDL Green Gallery

15 Aug | Citi ASEAN Financials and Real Estate Investment Forum

25 Aug | NUS GreenUSummit

29 Aug | NTU: Corporate and Directors' Accountability in Addressing Climate Change and the Right to a Healthy Environment

30 Aug | SID Seminar

1 Sep | Quality and Standards Conference

1 Sep | SMU Launch of Sustainability Academic Programmes

4 Sep | Public-Private Sector Partnerships in IP Commercialisation

4 Sep | World Green & Sustainability Summit

4 Sep | 18<sup>th</sup> IPOS POC

5 Sep | Asialink Leaders Program: Your Learning Growth - Sustainable and Inclusive Growth

6 Sep | ASEAN Catalytic Green Finance Facility (ACGF) Innovative Finance Clinic: Green and Resilient Buildings in ASEAN Cities

7 Sep | The Conference Board: Asia Strategic Communications Leaders Council

12 Sep | Globescan Singapore Salon

18 Sep | Clinton Global Initiative Annual Meeting

18 Sep | PWC/IFRS: How do organisations prepare for a radically difference economy

19 Sep | Climate Week HubStream

19 Sep | Polytechnic Forum: Transforming Singapore into a Liveable and Resilient City

20 Sep | SID Directors Conference and Gala Dinner 2023

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