

HKCEC tops Asian venues – again!

(Hong Kong, 3 January 2012) The Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre (“HKCEC”) has been voted “**Asia’s Best Convention and Exhibition Centre**” for the ninth time. The title was one of the categories in the Industry Awards 2012 conducted by *CEI Asia* magazine, a leading convention, exhibition, meeting and incentive industry publication.

The *CEI Asia* industry survey and awards have been conducted 10 times since it was launched in the year 2000, in which period the HKCEC has been named Asia’s best convention and exhibition centre nine times. This vote of confidence by *CEI Asia*’s readers, who are industry leaders and venue clients, is probably the best and most credible recognition that any venue management company can receive.

Mr Cliff Wallace, Managing Director of Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre (Management) Limited (“HML”), commented, “Once again we are delighted to have achieved such high-level recognition. Our continued success is no accident; it is the outcome of the total dedication and professionalism of our HML staff who bring exceptional levels of enthusiasm, responsiveness and experience to serve event organisers and users from around the world. In addition, we are committed to the proactive and ongoing enhancement of our venue and our services, a strategy that makes event organisers turn to the HKCEC first as the obvious venue to suit their needs.”

The result for the HKCEC in *CEI Asia*’s Industry Awards is consistent with feedback gathered by the HKCEC itself from its event clients. In the fiscal year 2010/2011 (which ended 30 June 2011), 99% of event organisers who responded to a HKCEC questionnaire rated the level of service they received from the HML team as “Satisfactory” or higher.

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An HML team renowned for professionalism and dedication once again wins the ‘Best Convention and Exhibition Centre’ title for the HKCEC.

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About the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre

Opened in 1988, this award-winning 306,000 sqm meeting and exhibition venue includes 91,500 sqm of rentable space. It is located on a prime waterfront site in the heart of Hong Kong. It offers uniquely convenient, world-class services and in 2012, was recognised for the 9th time as the Best Convention and Exhibition Centre in Asia by leading industry peers. Over 1,200 events including exhibitions, conferences, corporate meetings, entertainment events, seminars and banquets are held at the HKCEC every year. These events contribute significant economic benefits to the city and help raise the international image of Hong Kong. The HKCEC is owned by the Hong Kong SAR Government and the Hong Kong Trade Development Council.

About Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre (Management) Limited

Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre (Management) Limited ("HML") is a professional private management and operating company responsible for providing day to day management for the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre. Among its specific responsibilities, HML oversees administration, marketing, booking, scheduling, event co-ordination, maintenance and security. It also manages food and beverage operations at the HKCEC, including restaurant management and banqueting activities.

HML is a member of NWS Holdings Limited. NWS Holdings Limited ("NWS Holdings", Hong Kong stock code: 659), the infrastructure and service flagship of New World Development Company Limited (Hong Kong stock code: 17), embraces businesses in Hong Kong, Mainland China and Macau. Its Infrastructure portfolio includes Roads, Energy, Water and Ports & Logistics projects. Its Services division comprises Facilities Management (the management of Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre and Free Duty), Construction & Transport (Hip Hing Construction and bus and ferry services) and Strategic Investments (Tricor, Haitong and securities investments).

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