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**Nobel Laureate Series:
Social Caring Pledge Scheme Award Presentation Ceremony & Future Leadership Summit
2016/2017**

Nobel Laureate Social Caring Series incorporates the most thought-provoking Future Leadership Summit on how businesses connect with social responsibility for a better future, while celebrating their outstanding contributions in areas ranging from Environmental Protection, Human Rights, Labor Standards, Anti-corruption and Customer Care. This event was co-organized by Social Enterprise Research Institute (SERI) and Asian College of Knowledge Management (ACKM) on 13th April, 2016 (Wednesday) afternoon at Intercontinental Hotel Hong Kong. To support the good cause of bringing together a unique mix of business, government, academia and civil society for social change, over 520 representatives joined the Future Leadership Summit and Social Caring Pledge Scheme Award Presentation Ceremony, which was presided by Nobel Laureate **Prof. Akira Suzuki**.

The officiating guests include Mr. **Ng Hak Kim, Eddie, SBS, JP**, Secretary for Education; Ms. **Gilly Wong**, Chief Executive of Consumer Council; Mr. **James H. Lau Jr., JP**, Under Secretary for Financial Services & the Treasury; Most Rev. **Joseph Ha Chi-shing**, Auxiliary Bishop of Hong Kong; Mr. **Masaru Igawahara**, Deputy Consul-General, Consulate-General of Japan in Hong Kong; Dr. **Pei Chen Chi-kuen, Delia, BBS, JP**, Executive Chancellor of SERI etc.

13 leaders received the prestigious *Asia Social Caring Leadership Award* while 25 organizations were selected for the *Social Caring Organization Award*. In support of the COP21 Climate Change global agreement, we have also established *Social Caring Awards for Green Excellence* to encourage corporates' continual improvement in environment protection and 14 organizations were awarded. Our aforementioned guests of honor along with scheme awardees also witnessed the boarding of Mrs. **Helen Fong MH** as the new Vice President of SERI Committee.

During the Summit, Prof. **Akira Suzuki** shared his unrivaled spirit in invention and how he overcame difficulties to bring the world forward through his immense scientific endeavor "Suzuki Coupling", which was to wrap the poisonous chemical materials for minimizing pollution. ACKM founding President Dr. **Peter Liao** also presented a painting – "Oquonie of Suzuki Reaction" by Zhuji, worth five hundred thousand Hong Kong dollars to Prof. Suzuki as a token of appreciation.

Dr. **Jonathan KS Choi, GBS, BBS, JP**, Chairman of Sunwah Group noted in his acceptance speech that over the past 60 years, the Group has been supporting charity, cultural and educational works extensively in Mainland China and Hong Kong as well as on the international field, echoing the spirit of Social Caring Pledge Scheme.

On the other hand, *Social Caring Awards for Green Excellence* awardee, Ms. **Wang Xiao Bin**, Executive Director, CFO and Company Secretary of China Resources Power Holding Company



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Limited promised that they shall work hard to integrate environmental protection elements into economic development plans effectively, and they were open to working with all interested parties for developing a green world together.

The CEO of China Wood Optimization (Holding) Limited, Mr. **Li Li** said, 'Social responsibility is the basis for an enterprise to grow sustainably; protecting the environment is the basic social responsibility of every organization, our company has already integrated environmental protection policies and practices into all production stages.'

The acceptance speeches aligned with Ms. **Gilly Wong**, Chief Executive of Consumer Council's keynote presentation that addressed the relationship between sustainable production and consumption.

In the coming June, SERI shall collaborate with Responsible Management Standard Association (RMSA), a professional certification organization from the UK to introduce a new course on a brand new management standard (CR8001) for ESG management, auditing and reporting, which is the first recognized ESG management standard in the world. Alongside Dr. **Bernard Cheng**, the Program Director of RMSA presenting the course during the Summit, Prof. Arthur Hamilton, President of RMSA conferred the titles of Honorary Life Chancellor of RMSA upon Prof. Suzuki and Honorary Vice Chancellor appointment upon Prof. **Jesus Seade**, SERI Vice Chancellor as well as the Former Deputy Director-General of the World Trade Organization.

13 individuals were awarded the "Asia Social Caring Leadership Award":

1. **Dr. Jonathan KS Choi, GBS, BBS, JP**
Chairman, Sunwah Group
2. **Ms. Foo Kam Chu Grace**
Founder and Chairman, Soundwill Holdings Limited
3. **Mr. Bankee Kwan, JP**
Chairman, Celestial Asia Securities Holdings Limited
4. **Dr. Hon Sei Hoe Johnny MH**
Chairman, Global Group International Holdings Limited
5. **Dr. Dominic Man-Kit Lam**
Chairman, World Eye Organization
6. **Dr. Richard Man Fai Lee**
Executive Chairman & CEO, Wo Kee Hong Group
7. **Mr. Michel Lowy**
Co-founder and CEO, SC Lowy
8. **Mr. Akihiro Nagahara**
Managing Director and CEO, United Asia Finance
9. **Ms. Tong Po Po Ivy**
Executive District Director, AIA
10. **Mr. Rai Yambahadur**
Managing Director, Danica Limited



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11. Dr. Pang Chi Wang

District Governor, Rotary District 3450

12. Sir Tang Yuen Lap

Founder and Headmaster, Holland Kwong Ming Chinese School

13. Mr. Or Chun Ping Decade

Director, Taste of Asia Group Limited

14 organizations received the 'Social Caring Awards for Green Excellence':

1. AAG Energy Holdings Limited
2. Allied Environmental Consultants Limited
3. China Resources Power Holdings Co., Ltd.
4. China Wood Optimization (Holding) Limited
5. K. Wah International Holdings Limited
6. Synergy Group Holdings International Limited
7. Island South Property Management Limited
8. Hecom Shop (H.K.) Limited
9. Tiandeyi Environment Technology Co.Ltd
10. Future Lighting Collection Limited
11. Modern Dental Laboratory Co. Ltd
12. Sunki Enterprise (H.K.) Ltd.
13. Nanopro Green Technology Ltd
14. Projexasia Limited

25 organizations received the 'Outstanding Social Caring Organization Award':

1. Soundwill Holdings Limited
2. Sea Horse (H.K.) Ltd.
3. United Overseas Bank
4. Miramar Group
5. Hin Sang Group (International) Holding Company Limited
6. Lan Kwai Fong Group
7. China Overseas Land & Investment Ltd.
8. EC Infotech
9. Yip's Chemical Holdings Limited
10. UA Cinema Circuit Limited
11. Hong Kong Polyclean Group Limited
12. Energy Source Health Management Centre Limited
13. Oversea Supplies Pte Limited
14. Modern Dental Group Limited
15. Heung Yee Kuk - Ha Tsuen Rural Committee



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16. InterContinental Group
17. Gridword Communications Ltd.
18. Danica Limited
19. One Transact Limited
20. AP Group International Limited
21. Facial Apps Skin Care Limited
22. Sze Wo Chuan Gas Company Limited
23. Sear Rogers International School
24. Taste of Asia Group Limited
25. Hong Yip Service Co., Ltd.

About Nobel Laureate Prof. Suzuki

Prof. Akira Suzuki from Japan was awarded the 2010 Nobel prize in chemistry for his immense scientific endeavor –“Suzuki coupling” which paved the way of many inventions today, ranging from medical procedures that has been used to make certain anti-biotics and drugs to treat cancer and AIDS to IT and communications worlds such as making liquid crystals for television and computer screens as well as organic electroluminescent displays such as on mobile phones and OLED.

About Social Enterprise Research Institute (SERI)

Endorsed and recognized by Nobel Laureate Professor Harald zur Hausen, SERI is the first professional body in Asia to have developed the Social Caring Pledge Scheme for businesses that are committed to a voluntary set of ethical standards in the areas of social care and responsibility; since its conception the scheme has garnered widespread support of over 300 corporations. Every year, pledgees of the scheme along with a select few who have demonstrated exemplary effort in the practice of corporate social responsibility are commemorated accordingly at the annual Social Caring Pledge Scheme Award Presentation Ceremony.

To download photos of the event, please click into:

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