

## FSDC welcomes green bond issued by Link REIT

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The Financial Services Development Council (FSDC) welcomed the issue of a green bond in Hong Kong as announced by Link Asset Management Limited today (July 15).

The Chairman of the FSDC, Mrs Laura M Cha, said, "We are encouraged to see the green bond issued by Link REIT (Real Estate Investment Trust) in Hong Kong, being the first green bond issued by a Hong Kong business enterprise and the first such issue by a property company in Asia. The issuance echoes with the recommendations made by the FSDC in its report titled 'Hong Kong as a Regional Green Finance Hub', which was released in May this year. We look forward to more issues of green bonds in Hong Kong to boost the development of Hong Kong's green finance market."

### About the FSDC

The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government established the FSDC in 2013 as a high-level, cross-sectoral advisory body to engage the industry in formulating proposals to promote the further development of Hong Kong's financial services industry and to map out the strategic direction for development.

The FSDC has set up five committees, namely the Policy Research Committee, the Mainland Opportunities Committee, the New Business Committee, the Market Development Committee and the Human Capital Committee.

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