

**Carbon Roundtable Series III:**

**Renewable Energy - Obstacles v.s. Opportunities**

9 July 2009, 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm

Speakers: **Ms Katharine Choi**, Principal Assistant Secretary, Environment Bureau  
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Hong Kong's contribution to greenhouse gas emissions is mainly generated from energy consumption. To develop a sustainable economy, the HKSAR Government and many organizations have been promoting the use of renewable energy (RE) to restrain the environmental impacts caused by the increasing need of energy.

RE is considered as one of the essential components of a sustainable energy system of many countries. It never runs out, and it is much cleaner than the conventional energy generated from fossil fuels. More importantly, RE can provide new opportunities for economic development and "green collar" employment. However, the challenge for Hong Kong is to find a way to obtain regular and cost-effective electricity from renewable sources - especially given that the current RE technologies, such as wind turbine installation, tend to be land-intensive.

CLP Power and Wind Prospect have recently commenced the public consultation of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) on the proposed offshore wind farm project at approximately 10km east of Clearwater Bay. Upon completion, the project can support electricity consumption for up to 80,000 households.

- *What is the Government's policy direction towards developing RE?*
- *What are the solutions to overcome obstacles of developing RE in Hong Kong, and making RE technologies more commercially viable?*
- *How can Hong Kong develop a RE market and create business opportunities?*

Please join the roundtable discussion jointly organized by the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce and the Climate Change Business Forum.

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