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## **Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre FAST FACTS**

### **Company Background**

- Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre (Management) Limited (HML) is the professional private management and operating company responsible for providing day to day management for the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre (HKCEC). Among its specific responsibilities, HML oversees administration, marketing, booking, scheduling, event co-ordination, maintenance, security and food and beverage operations. The latter including banqueting and managing the HKCEC's restaurants.
- The HKCEC, located on the magnificent and renowned Victoria Harbour, is owned by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (TDC) and the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government. The TDC is entrusted by the Government to be responsible for the HKCEC's development, design and management. The TDC has contracted with HML for management and operation of the HKCEC. HML is a wholly-owned subsidiary of NWS Holdings Ltd (Hong Kong stock Code: 659).
- With a staff team of 950, HML's vision is to position the HKCEC as one of the best exhibition and convention centre globally; renowned for excellence and hosting the world's greatest events while enhancing Hong Kong's international image.
- The HKCEC opened in November 1988, after which Hong Kong's exhibition industry experienced a period of rapid growth, enabling Hong Kong to establish its position as the Trade Fair Capital of Asia and a premier international convention and meeting destination.
- Having experienced escalating demand from its time of opening, the HKCEC was expanded in June 1997, more than doubling its prime function space. The expanded venue further strengthened Hong Kong's leading position as Asia's trade fair hub.
- With the continuous growing demand of exhibition space from HKCEC's current and potential new clients, the HKCEC commenced its second expansion project in May 2006 and completed in April 2009.

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- The cost of the HKCEC when it first opened in 1988 was approximately HK\$2.5 billion (US\$322 million), including two hotels, an office tower and a service apartment tower.
- The first expansion completed in 1997 cost HK\$4.8 billion (US\$620 million), including site reclamation which began in June 1994; and the second expansion completed in 2009 cost HK\$1.4billion (US\$180 million).

### **Building Features**

- The HKCEC is adjacent and connected to the Convention Plaza which also includes the 857-room Renaissance Hong Kong Harbour View Hotel, the 549-room Grand Hyatt Hong Kong, a 39-storey office tower, a 580-unit 46-storey serviced apartment tower, shopping arcade and an underground car park.
- A unique feature of the HKCEC's first extension which opened in 1997 is the 40,000 sqm aluminum roof cladding, sculptured to portray an image of a seabird soaring into flight.
- With limited land supply, the second expansion was suspended above the harbour, using an unconventional top-down approach for construction which broke several records in Hong Kong's building history and won industry accolades.
- The architect on the Centre's initial structure and adjacent Convention Plaza was Ng Chun Man & Associates Architects & Engineers and the contractor was Hip Hing. The architect on the first extension which opened in 1997 was Wong & Ouyang (HK) Ltd in association with Skidmore, Owings & Merrill Inc. of Chicago. The Main Contractor was Hip Hing / Dragages Joint Venture. The Project Architect on the Centre's second expansion was Wong & Ouyang (HK) Ltd with Hip Hing / Ngo Kee Joint Venture as the main contractor.

### **Facilities**

- The HKCEC is unique in providing more than 91,500 sqm of rentable space right in the heart of one of the world's most exciting cities.

	<b>sqm</b>
Total Gross Area	306,000
Total Site Area	92,400
Rentable Space	91,500
Purpose-built Exhibition Hall Space	66,000



- The HKCEC includes:

Six (6) Exhibition Halls	66,000 sqm
Two (2) Multi-Purpose Halls (for conventions or banquets)	5,700 sqm
Two (2) Theatres (with seating for 336 and 637)	800 sqm
Fifty-two (52) Meeting Rooms	6,000 sqm
Other Multi-functional rental space	13,000 sqm
Seven (7) Restaurants	Total seating for 1,340
Two (2) Underground Car Parks	over 700 parking bays

- Hall 1 is the largest single exhibition hall with an area of 19,890 sqm which can accommodate 1,312 standard exhibition booths.
- Hall 3B-3G offers a total exhibition area of 23,899 sqm that can accommodate 1,525 standard exhibition booths on the same level.
- Hall 5BC is equipped with a retractable telescopic seating system for 3,200 people and can be adapted for concerts, accommodating a maximum of 8,000 audiences.
- The spectacular 3,880 sqm multi-purpose Grand Hall is suitable for conventions, meetings, major banquets, exhibitions, and entertainment and special events. Full simultaneous interpretation, video and projection facilities are incorporated. The Grand Hall includes a 408 sqm permanent stage with lighting, stage rigging systems and other technical provisions. The ceiling is sculptured rising to 27 m at the apex. The Grand Foyer at the entrance to the Grand Hall is 2,094 sqm and provides a breathtaking panoramic view of the Victoria Harbour, Hong Kong Island's Central district and Victoria Peak. It is also the venue where the Handover Ceremony was held in 1997.
- Theatre 1 and Theatre 2 are the popular venues for film shows. Both theatres are equipped with professional digital projection systems and sound systems.
- Convention Hall fits for major conferences, seminars and banquets. It connects with two theatres and situates close to Meeting Room S220 and S420 series. The Convention Foyer provides elegant surroundings to welcome and register guests or to hold gatherings.
- The 52 Meeting Rooms can be configured to accommodate from 28 to 600 people. Most of the meeting rooms have spectacular harbour view and are suitable for meetings and F&B functions.



## Events

In fiscal year 2015-16 (1 July 2015 – 30 June 2016), the HKCEC attracted over 5.5 million visitors and a total of 1,149 events which included:

- 119 exhibitions
  - 50 trade exhibitions, 25 trade & public exhibitions, 44 public exhibitions
  - 110 recurrent exhibitions, 8 new exhibitions, 1 returning exhibition
- 113 conferences or conventions\*
  - 38 international conferences, 18 new to the HKCEC
  - 75 local conferences, 22 new to the HKCEC
- 58 entertainment and special events
  - 26 concerts, 6 film shows
- 391 banquets, and
- 468 other events, including corporate events, media conferences, seminars, and corporate meetings

From its opening in 1988 through to 30 June 2016, the HKCEC has hosted 45,358 events and welcomed over 98 million visitors.

*\* The definition of “conference” was revised in July 2015 to cover any meeting in which registered delegates exchange academic, technical or professional knowledge. Other types of meeting are classified as “corporate meetings”.*



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