

The background of the entire page is an aerial photograph of a city, likely Hong Kong, taken from a high vantage point on a green hillside. In the foreground, a large, brown metal power transmission tower (pylon) stands on the left. The city below is densely packed with high-rise buildings and residential blocks. In the distance, mountains and a body of water are visible under a blue sky with scattered white clouds. The lighting suggests a bright, sunny day.

**Green Finance,
Sustainability Strategies and
ESG Consultancy Services**

About Allied Environmental Consultants Limited

Founded in 1994, Allied Environmental Consultants Limited (“AEC”) is a Hong Kong based pioneering sustainability and environmental consulting firm with 25 years’ experience. Our holding company, Allied Sustainability and Environmental Consultants Group Limited (stock code: 8320), is the first listed sustainability and environmental consultancy service provider in Hong Kong.

Today, AEC is an award winning consultancy with an extensive portfolio spanning Hong Kong, mainland China and the Asia Pacific region. We strive to offer independent and professional advice to our clients, positively transform the environment and communities, and shape a sustainable future for the world.

As a trusted partner of leading property developers, architectural firms, financial institutions, universities and government authorities, AEC provides professional consultancy services on:

- **Green Building Certification Consultancy;**
- **Sustainability and Environmental Consultancy;**
- **Acoustics, Audio-Visual and Lighting Design Consultancy; and**
- **Environmental, Social and Governance (“ESG”) Reporting and Consultancy.**

AEC is a corporate member of:



Our Sustainability Culture

At AEC, we see our projects as part of the solution that steers businesses towards sustainable development. Through our innovative solutions we are pushing the frontiers of sustainability and setting the standard for best practices for others to follow. Likewise, the continuity of our business is highly dependent on the sustainability framework, as well as our ability to influence the corporate sustainability agenda. From inspiring sustainable corporate practices to designing sustainable building features, down to our involvement in community projects, sustainability underpins our core business functions and serves as a measurable standard to which we align key decisions and practices.



Sustainability Development



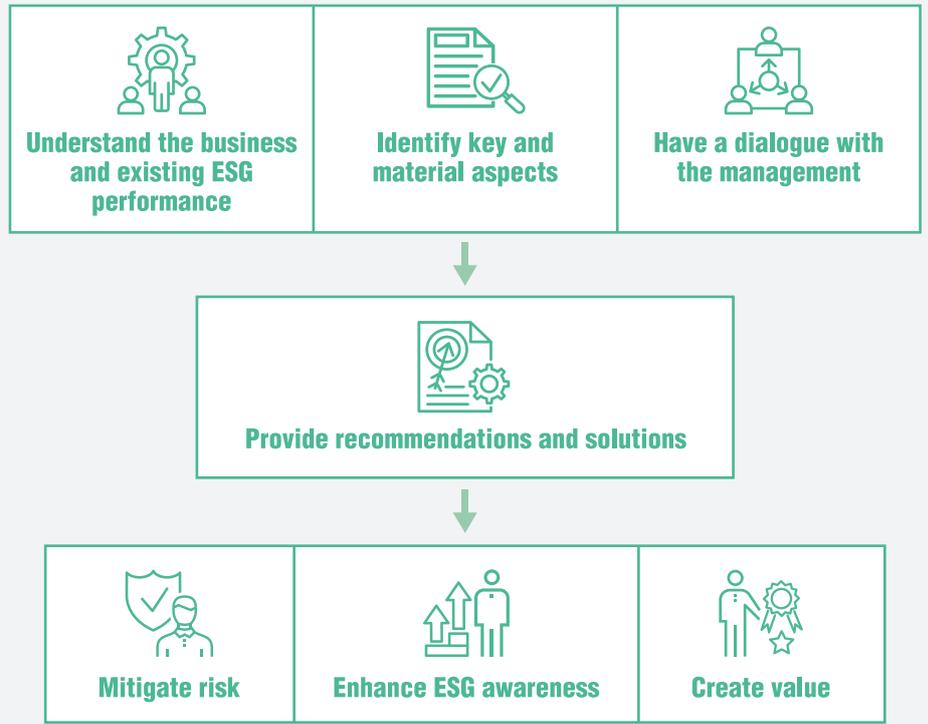
AEC ESG Team

ESG aspects of one business have become inevitably important for investors to consider. With our accomplishment in our environmental related projects, our ESG team put strong emphasis on the environmental issues of our clients' businesses. Leveraging on AEC's collective expertise, our ESG consultancy services provide businesses with an in-depth understanding of the social and environmental impacts of their operations while guiding them in their journey to become sustainably operated and resilient businesses.

Our Values

Leading our clients to the path of sustainable future, our mission is to create true value through offering solutions that would achieve beyond compliance. We adopt a holistic approach to understand our respective client's business, advise the latest updates on industry trends, raise awareness on ESG matters, build capacity, assist in policy enhancements, and review sustainable operations. AEC offers innovative and engaging solutions for our clients to enhance the sustainability performance of their business operations.

Our Approach



Our Portfolio

We are currently assisting over 40 companies of various industries onto the path of sustainable development:



Our Services

We provide one-stop ESG services to not only help our clients comply with the reporting requirements, but also formulate tailor-made sustainability strategies and drive long-term improvement in sustainability performance through innovative solutions.



Fact

Many companies have their defined sustainability visions, missions and commitments but not everyone has a strategic plan that puts words into actions. By developing roadmaps and action plans, it helps to cement the companies' positions in their industries and to integrate sustainability factors into their financial policy framework.

Services

Sustainability strategy



- Benchmark & gap analysis
- Sustainable development roadmap
- Green finance advisory

From investors and customers to employees and suppliers, stakeholders are key factors in sustainable business. Accessible engagement channels assist in mapping their concerns and enhancing overall competitiveness of a company.

Stakeholder engagement



- E-survey
- Interview & workshop
- e-Learning platform

It is always wise for corporates to prioritize significant and relevant issues, and allocate resources accordingly. Meanwhile, investors are increasingly aware of ESG-related risks beyond traditional financial data and favour corporates with better ESG performance.

Materiality assessment



- Matrix generation
- Sustainability risk & opportunity identification

Data not only reflect progress that corporates have made on ESG aspects, but they are also factored in ESG credit rating decisions. Widely recognized by investors, ESG indices and ratings rank listed companies on sustainability performance.

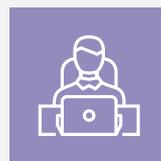
Data collection



- iESG
- Environmental assessment
- Carbon audit

Since 2016, all companies listed on HKEx are required to comply with the ESG Reporting Guide. In response to the rising demand on more comprehensive ESG reporting, tightened reporting requirements are expected to be effective on 1 January 2020.

Content development



- UN SDGs mapping
- GRI standards
- HKEx ESG Reporting Guide
- TCFD recommendations

In an effort to build trust and recognition, more and more corporates go beyond the minimum ESG reporting compliance and pursue continuous improvement of their ESG measures.

Continual improvement



- Independent assurance e.g. AA1000
- Corporate policy enhancement
- Science Based Targets
- GRESB assessment

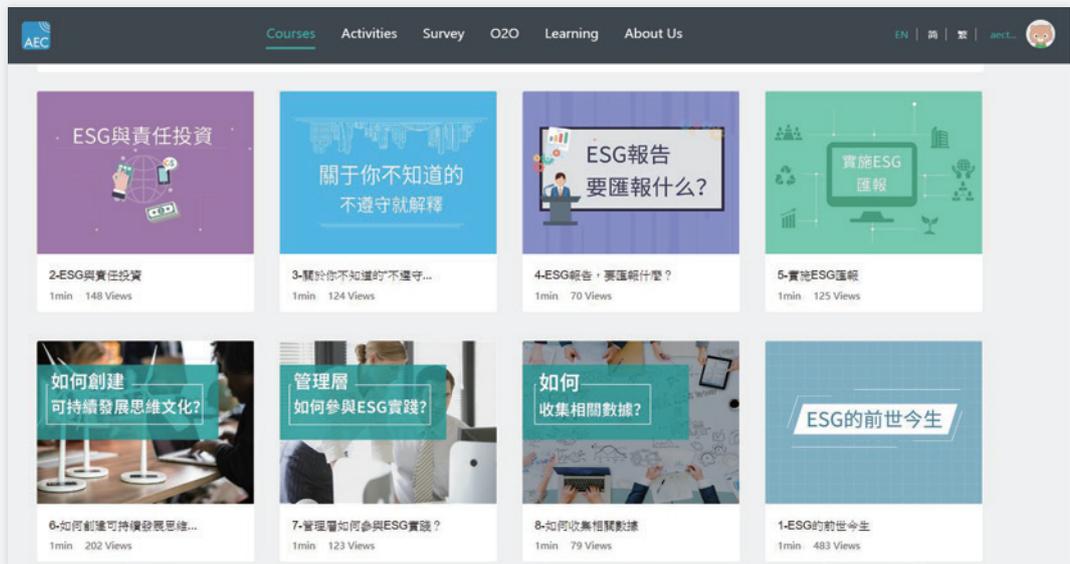
Innovative solutions

To facilitate the implementation of sustainability development within our clients' operations, AEC offers cost and time efficient solutions to enhance awareness and nurture the culture.



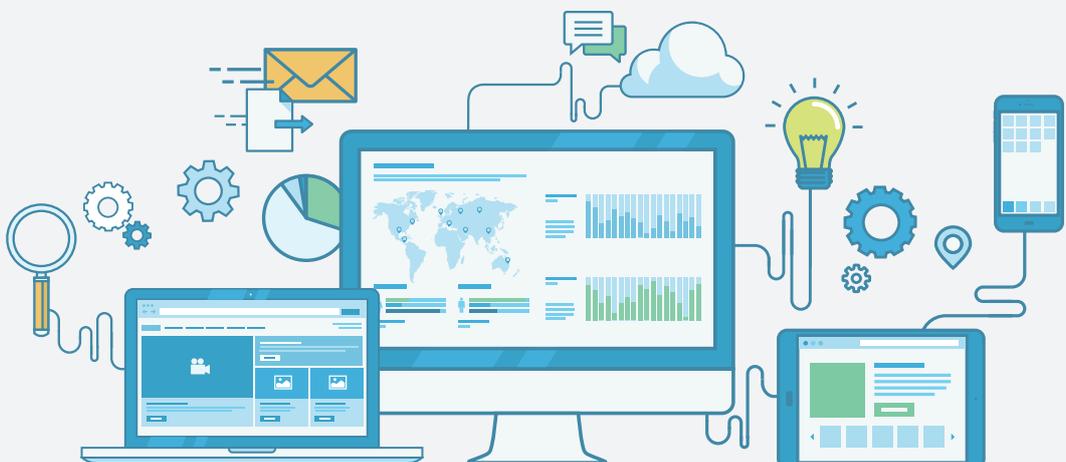
e-Learning

Learning is no longer limited to a face-to-face process. With the recently launched e-Learning platform, corporates are now able to educate and raise ESG awareness in an engaging and convenient way.



iESG

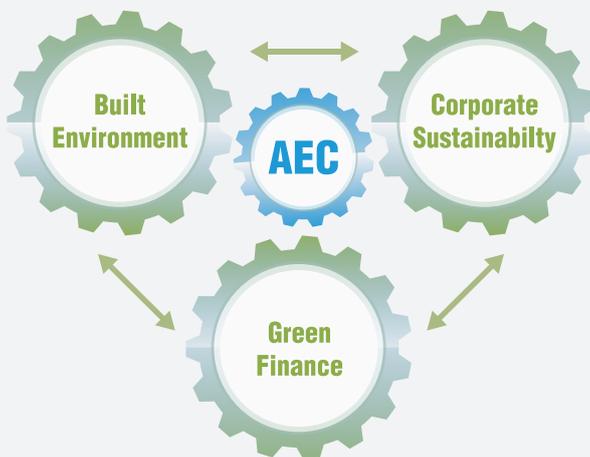
AEC is now offering iESG services to its clients. This has enabled clients to gain easy access to record, verify and track sustainability data and performance.





Green Finance

Green bond, green loan and ESG investing are ways to support green projects financially. As a green planner specialising in built environment and corporate sustainability, AEC integrates ESG opportunities and risks into business strategy to attract investors to finance projects with environmental benefits. We provide a range of advisory services related to green finance.



How to issue a Green Bond

Readiness Assessment

Framework Development

External Review

Pre-issuance Assurance

Post-issuance Assurance

Reporting

Green Finance Advisory & External Review

Contributing to the transition to a green economy, AEC assists our clients in

- Identifying green projects and assets;
- Developing the right criteria for green financing mechanisms;
- Setting up procedures for tracking and reporting on the use of proceeds; and
- Providing external review in accordance with the International Capital Market Association's (ICMA) Green Bond Principles and Green Loan Principles.

ESG Research & Analysis

AEC also provides professional advice on managing projects and assets that are exposed to ESG and financial risks with reference to

- Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark (GRESB) Assessment;
- Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) recommendations;
- Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB) standards; and
- Other globally recognized standards.

AEC is a member of:



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(ESG Disclosure and Integration Working Group)



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