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Chairman of Centre for Liveable Cities to present keynote speech at Sustainable Cities 2009

Singapore – November 5, 2009 – Dr Liu Thai Ker, Chairman of Centre for Liveable Cities, Board Member of Surbana International and Director of RSP Architects will deliver the opening keynote speech at Sustainable Cities 2009 organised by IBC Asia under the Singapore International Energy Week.

Dr Liu has significantly contributed to Singapore's sustainable city planning. He will use Singapore and a few other cities as case studies to discuss how he and his team attempted to design an efficient man-made environment, while addressing the needs of nature and people at the same time.

Sustainable city development projects are growing Asia, particularly in countries such as Singapore, Malaysia, China and India. Policies are being implemented on energy consumption, green buildings, renewable energy production, green transportation systems, waste recycling and water management. The urgency for existing and new cities to become fully sustainable is extremely important to ensure that the effects of climate change are reduced or reversed.

Participating companies include Aboitiz Land Inc, Accenture, Achicentre Snd Bhd, ACLA LTD, Arts & Aces of Asia, Arup Singapore, Building & Construction Authority of Singapore, CABE - Commission on Architecture and the Built Environment, Choice Homes Investment, Clinton Climate Initiative, Electrical & Mechanical Services Department, Foster + Partners, International Centre for Sustainable Cities (ICSC), Investment Environments, Iskandar Investment Bhd, JTC Corporation, Keppel Land, Land Transport Authority of Singapore, Lend Lease Asia, Lend Lease Retail, Malaysia Institute of Architects, Pelicano, RSP Architects, Sembcorp Industrial Parks, Siemens, Singapore Institute of Planners, Sino Tianjin Ecocity Developments, Skidmore, Owing & Merrill, (Shanghai), ST Electronics, Tanah Sutera Development Sdn Bhd, The Carbon Neutral Company, The World Bank, Urban Redevelopment Authority of Singapore, Waitakere Ecocity and leading industry experts from across Asia Pacific, Europe, US and Middle East regions.

The forum will discuss key issues and trends, regional legislation and policies, investment opportunities, green technological discoveries and solutions associated with developing sustainable cities; and insights from industry experts and practitioners on:

- Singapore's clean green blueprint
- Global climate change policy and regulations driving sustainable cities development
- Government and international support & initiatives to steer sustainable city planning
- Financing & investment opportunities and risks for sustainable cities
- Implementing carbon management strategies for the built environment
- Achieving zero carbon footprints at a city level
- Developing a city that is fully powered by the sun
- Evolving global partnerships in sustainable city developments
- Urbanisation trends in Asia and how it will impact sustainable city development in Asia
- Green framework for rapid transit systems to fit with sustainable city planning
- Integrating green buildings, green transportation, green communities
- Integrating renewable energy into urban landscapes for enhanced energy efficiency
- Waste management strategies for sustainable cities

Leading industry speakers include:

- Jonathan Davis, Director of Knowledge & Skills, Commission on Architecture and the Built Environment (CABE), UK
- Judy Lawley, Councillor & Chair, Community & Culture, Waitakere Ecocity, New Zealand
- Keshav Varma, Sector Director, East Asia and Pacific, Urban, Development Sector, The World Bank, Philippines
- Chris Seeley, City Director, Clinton Climate Initiative, Thailand
- Dr Nola-Kate Seymour, President & CEO, International Centre for Sustainable Cities, Canada
- Melvin Thong, Deputy Director- Mechanical & Electrical Systems, Land Transport Authority, Singapore
- Goh Chye Boon, CEO, Sino-Tianjin Eco-City Project, Sino-Singapore Tianjin Eco-city Investment & Development Co. Ltd, China
- Paulo Reis Silva, Project Director- Mata de Sesimbra, Pelicano, Portugal

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