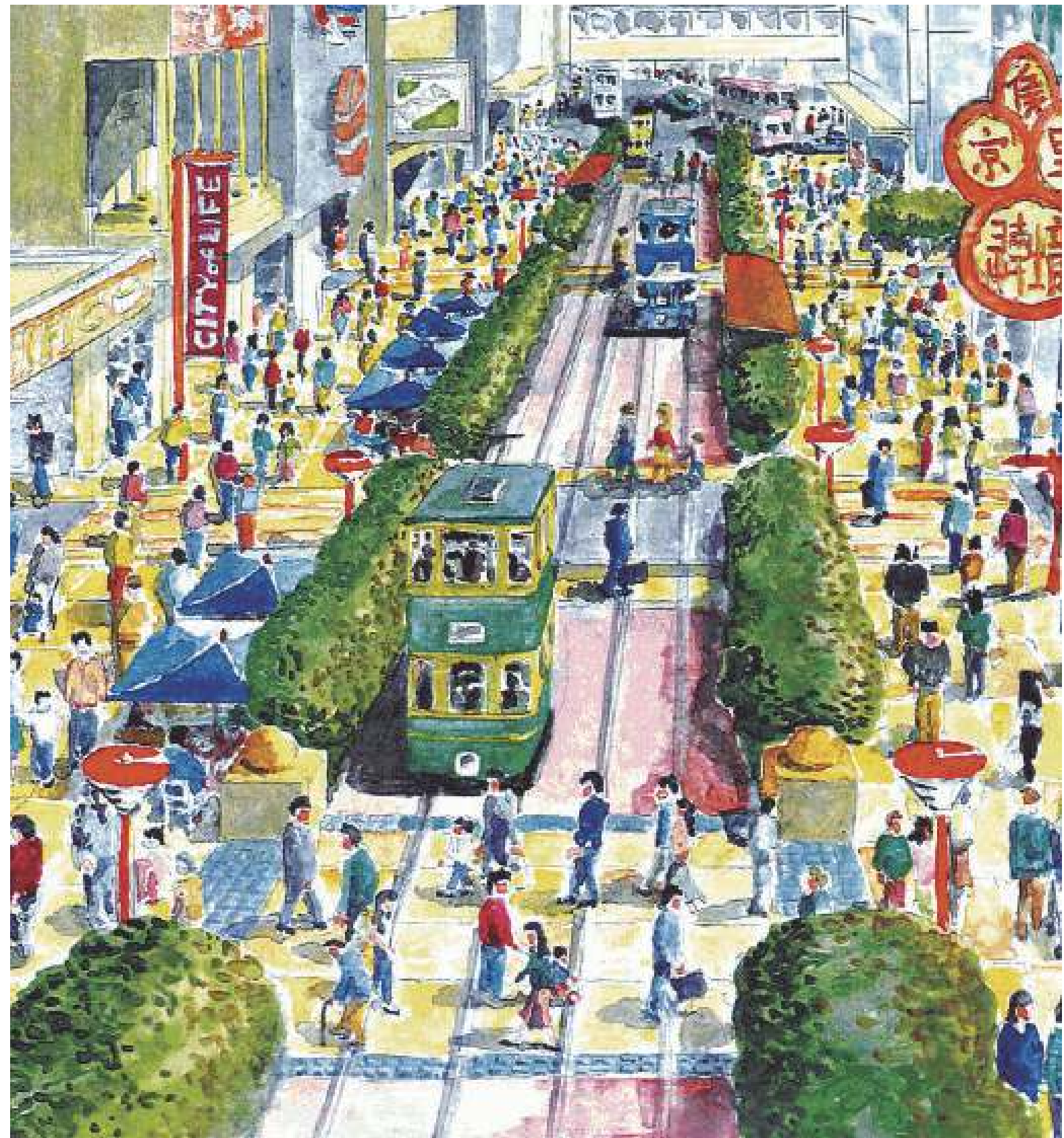


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OUR AIR. OUR HEALTH



Clean Air Network is an independent NGO that encourages the public to speak out about the health impacts of air pollution.

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II. Message from CEO

At Clean Air Network, we are delighted to share with you the efforts the organization, and all the important milestones we have achieved during the period of 2016-2017.

We are particularly proud to see continued improvements on air quality at roadside and ambient levels in Hong Kong. It was the result of a number of government measures to control emission from road vehicles and vessels in recent years. Without losing sight of the influence of regional pollution, the intermediate success to improve air quality has shown that, local policy change has a profound impact on air quality in Hong Kong.

Besides focusing on emission control measures, CAN has paid strong efforts to steer the discussion of clean air to the domains of transport and urban planning. Since 2015, CAN has spearheaded a campaign to advocate the transformation of the Des Voeux Road Central (DVRC), a busy thoroughfare in CBD Central, into a pedestrian and tram only area.

Followed by months of smaller public engagement activities that targeted the youth and parents, young professionals and the general public, the public imagination on a livable and walkable city was brought to a climax in September 2016. CAN has hosted a mega public event on a stretch of road on DVRC for the public to experience a car-free zone in a unique and interesting way. A variety of activities were organized by over 40 NGOs and collaborators, which attracted over 14,000 public to attend in the one-day event.

The series of activities has aroused much public awareness on roadside air pollution, and vigorous discussion and debates on urban planning and transport system, especially in developed areas in Hong Kong. It is gratifying to see the dialogue was continued and expanded in various platforms.

We have also made efforts on policy advocacy on tightening of Air Quality Objectives, adoption of electronic road pricing pilot scheme as a financial tool to alleviate traffic congestion; and on engagement with the business community and general public.

Here I wish to thank for all the support and advice from our community partners, collaborators from academic and professional sectors, the business community and the funders, and the CAN team and board who have worked relentlessly for a better city.

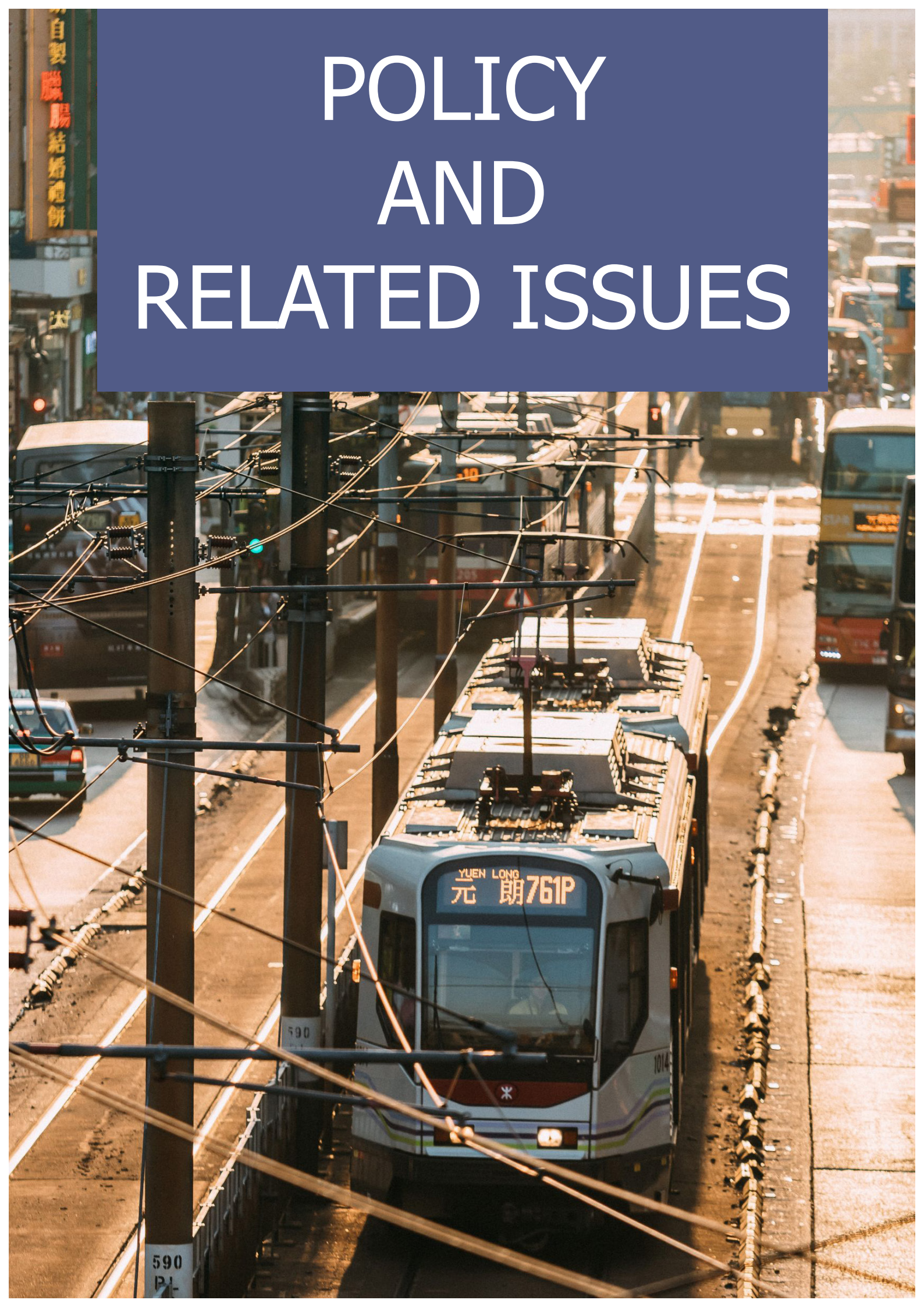


STEPHEN WONG
Chairman



PATRICK FUNG
Chief Executive Officer

POLICY AND RELATED ISSUES



III. Policy and Related Issues

7 July 2016 Reducing Roadside Emission



CAN was invited by Business Environmental Council to attend "Reducing Roadside Emissions - Developing the Policy Framework" Workshop. We exchanged our views with various stakeholders about reducing roadside emission.

July - August 2016 Legislative Council Election 2016



Engaged with various candidates of different political affiliations. The purpose is to establish connection with potential elected and to urge candidates to adopt CAN's policy recommendations in their policy platform.

14 July 2016 Half-yearly Air Quality Review



We discovered that the levels of western part of Hong Kong were significantly higher than the other part of Hong Kong, while the road side pollutants levels were still far higher than the WHO standard. We urged the Government not to neglect the local roadside pollution.

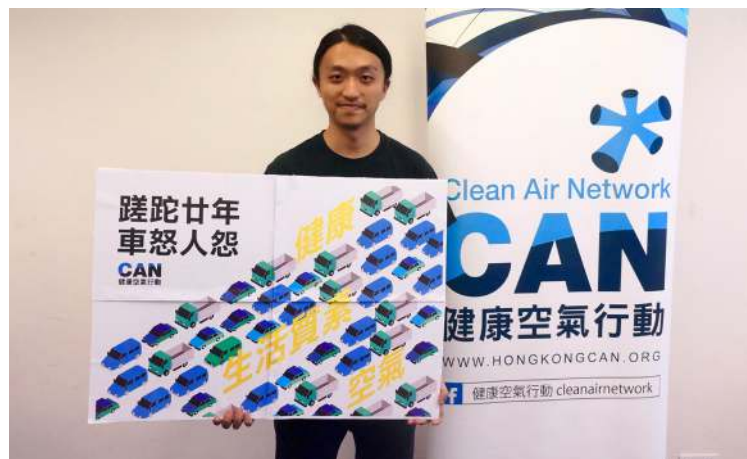
3 - 7 October 2016 Walk21HK Conference



Representatives from around the world including CAN, gathered at the Walk21 Hong Kong Conference to sign the International Charter for Walking, pledging to promote walking as a key component in future urban design. CAN was also invited to give a talk and provide walk tour on Clean Air Initiatives of Walkability.

III. Policy and Related Issues

12 January 2017
Annual Air Quality Review Press Conference



Clean Air Network highlighted the effect of traffic congestion on air pollution as well as the negative impact on public health. CAN urge for tightening of the Air Quality Objectives and suppression of the growth of the number of vehicles.

24 January 2017
French Chamber Talk
Hong Kong air pollution: Impact for Hong Kong business and attractiveness



The committee addressed the talk on the point of view of business (how it costs) and attractiveness (people leaving Hong Kong) including, causes, consequences on health and business and cost for the community. 20 guests attended the Talk.

26 June 2017
AQO Review Press Conference



CAN, with 6 LegCo Members, reviewed the AQO document and emphasized the measures should prioritize public health. CAN urged for well-coordination between Environmental Protection Bureau and Transport and Housing Bureau in order to achieve an effective solution to improve roadside pollution and thus safeguarding public health.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

IV. Community Engagement



9 July 2016

Walk with Clean Air : AXA

CAN collaborated with San Wui Commercial Society (Primary) School to develop a walking tour "Walk with Clean Air" at Sheung Wan.

The tour allowed participants (primary students, parents and teachers) to understand the roadside air pollution of the neighbourhood where the school is located. Along the tour, participants monitored the PM2.5 level at different outdoor spots.

14 - 21 September 2016

Swire Properties "Formula E Roadshow"

CAN as an beneficiary organization for this fundraising event organized by Swire Properties. An information booth displayed at the event site to educate public the importance of roadside air pollution.



29 September 2016

Airmazing Race with Bloomberg

Over 60 Bloomberg employees participated in the Airmazing Race, competing in urban orienteering challenge to know more about ocean-going vessels' effect on air pollution, what can be done with it and etc.

IV. Community Engagement



29 September 2016
Talk at Swire Group Internal Training Stakeholder Engagement

Over 20 seniors from different business under Swire Groups participated.

CAN shared the experience of stakeholder engagement during the application stage of organizing Very DVRC. To generate support from Swire Group on CAN and Walk DVRC campaign and to engage with Swire Group as potential collaborator.



2 December 2016
Subdivided Unit Visit with Credit Suisse

Visited partitioned-flat (sub-divided) flat households in Sham Shui Po and Mongkok with volunteers of Credit Suisse.

Through the sharing from the residents, awareness towards air pollution was strongly enhanced.



17 December 2016
Sham Shui Po Walk Tour

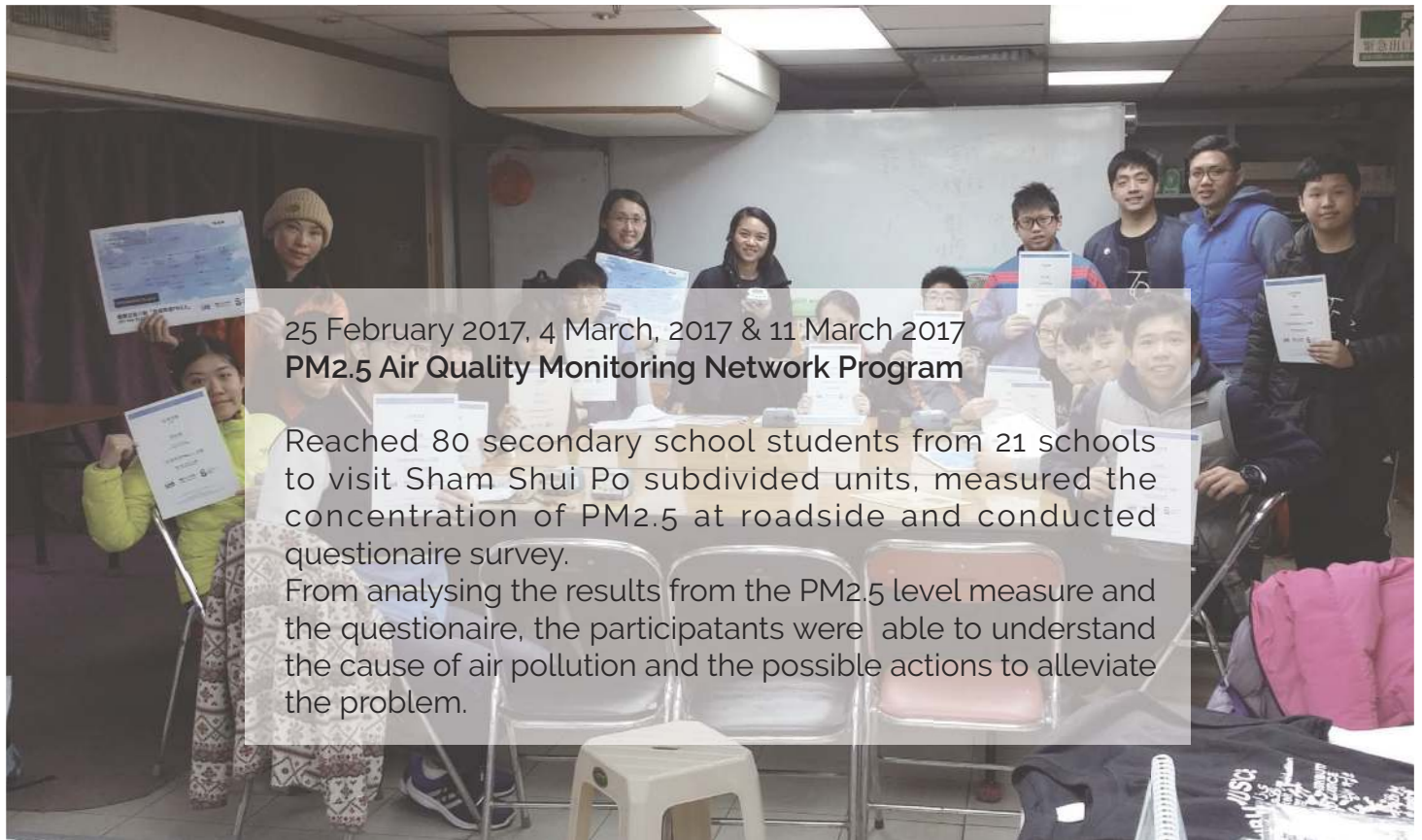
In the Walk Tour, participants had a better understanding of the problems faced by residents in Sham Shui Po, including pollution from roadside emission, ship pollution and street canyon effect. They also monitored PM2.5 air quality and explored ways to combat air pollution.



17 January 2017
Coffee Talk . Talk Air

A gathering to allow people to discuss the problem of air pollution from different angles and explore more ways to improve air quality.

IV. Community Engagement



25 February 2017, 4 March, 2017 & 11 March 2017 PM2.5 Air Quality Monitoring Network Program

Reached 80 secondary school students from 21 schools to visit Sham Shui Po subdivided units, measured the concentration of PM2.5 at roadside and conducted questionnaire survey.

From analysing the results from the PM2.5 level measure and the questionnaire, the participants were able to understand the cause of air pollution and the possible actions to alleviate the problem.



3 March 2017 Educational Talk with Girl Scouts

CAN shared the facts and figures of air pollution and explained the health impact of it. Participants learned and helped monitoring PM2.5 level afterwards.



May 2017 Healthy Food. Healthy Air

This is a campaign of foodmiles, which emphasizes the importance of reducing foodmiles to improve air quality and advocate local farming development.

CAN collaborated with GoAsia to set up well-balanced menu with several restaurants using local materials.

IV. Community Engagement



12 May 2017

Swire Sustainability Development Treasure Hunt with Swire

Aiming to raise awareness and interest towards the surrounding environment, as to prompt the use and application of the concept of sustainable development, and to contribute to the alleviation of air pollution in Hong Kong.



28 June 2017

Airmazing Race with Swire

To allow the participants to investigate the relationship between air pollution with urban development, transport system and lifestyle of urbanities.



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心 DVRC DES VOIEUX
ROAD CENTRAL

Severe traffic congestion and consistently high levels of air pollution are some of the critical problems facing Des Voeux Road Central (DVRC). Located in the Central Business District of Hong Kong, the street is one of the busiest and most polluted areas in the city. In response to this, Clean Air Network and other NGO's have started the DVRC Initiative, which proposes to convert a 1.4 km section of Des Voeux Road Central (between Pedder Street and the Western Market) into a Tram and Pedestrian Precinct.

The proposal first came from the Hong Kong Institute of Planners (HKIP) in 2000. In 2014, the proposal was revisited and the studies conducted by HKIP, Civic Exchange and City University of Hong Kong showed that, it can help solve existing and anticipated social problems, including air pollution, traffic congestion and urban decay.

In 2015 and 2016, Clean Air Network spearheaded the Des Voeux Road Central campaign by conducting a series of public engagements, including walk tours, workshops, exhibitions, etc. to create public awareness about how air pollution and traffic congestion affect health of people working and living along DVRC.





8 July 2016

Village of Victoria 2 :

Children's City Planning Practice for Pedestrianisation in Central

Parents and children re-imagined DVRC. With professional planners' briefing the context of DVRC transformation proposal, over 300 parents and children illustrated their planning ideal with the use of cardboards.

Engage with parents community who are with strong mobilizing power. Part of the participants became collaborators and participants of Very DVRC event.





22 August 2016

The Research Summit "Digital Methods and Social Development"

CAN's Walk DVRC campaign became one of the case studies for researchers to develop digital solutions to enhance the campaign by solving certain problems (position and approaches of the campaign, digital reporting tools, etc. It is a week long workshop to explore how digital media could benefit various format of social change.



24 September 2016

Talk at The GoodLab "Hong Kong Jam 2016"

50 people attended the talk and share their views of the DVRC Campaign.

V. DVRC

25 September 2016

Walk the Imagination – Very DVRC

With the support and cooperation of Government departments, a section of DVRC (from Ma Wa Lane to Morrison Street) was closed on September 25th. The event was attended by over 14,000 people. The temporary pedestrian zone brought cleaner air and also significantly more pedestrian traffic. It successfully demonstrated that this section of DVRC could be closed to vehicular traffic. The event was organised by Clean Air Network and other NGOs. With the help of 40 collaborators participants were able to join in a wide range of arts and crafts, sports, music and cultural activities during the trial road closure.



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