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APEC Businesses Propose New Climate Bonds, Carbon Credit Network

Reuters / August 5, 2024

Asia-Pacific business executives urged emerging economies in the region to issue climate bonds indexed to a basket of currencies, which would reduce the risk from foreign exchange fluctuation in raising funds for clean energy transition.

The group of business executives comprising ABAC, which is APEC's Business Advisory Council, also proposed on Sunday launching a pilot programme to develop a voluntary carbon market (VCM) for the Asia-Pacific region...

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Global Carbon Pricing Needed to Avert Trade Friction, Says WTO Chief

Financial Times / September 16, 2024

Okonjo-Iweala told the Financial Times in an interview that the WTO was taking the lead in working for an international carbon pricing system with the IMF, OECD and UN.

That effort comes in response to the EU's carbon border adjustment mechanism, which came into force this year and requires exporters to the trade bloc to pay a levy linked to the EU carbon price for the emissions of certain carbon-intensive products including steel, cement and fertiliser.



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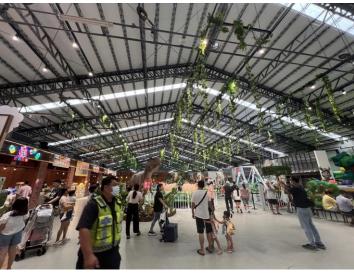


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Moody's and MSCI Announce a Strategic Partnership to Enhance Transparency and Deliver Data-Driven Risk Solutions

Moody' s / July 1, 2024

Moody' s will leverage MSCI' s sustainability data and models, which are used by the world' s largest asset managers and asset owners. The agreement, entered into last week, includes MSCI' s industry-leading ESG ratings and content, which measure a company' s management of financially relevant ESG risks and opportunities. With access to MSCI data, Moody' s intends over time to migrate its existing ESG data and scores to offering MSCI' s sustainability content through a range of solutions serving Moody' s customers in the banking, insurance and corporate sectors...

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The Ministry of Environment held the 6th carbon fee rate review meeting today (October 7), and the carbon fee collection rate draft was released

Ministry of Environment / October 7, 2024

The Carbon Fee Rate Review Meeting held its 6th meeting this morning (October 7). This meeting confirmed that the rate review process has comprehensively considered Taiwan' s greenhouse gas reduction status, emission source types, greenhouse gas emission types, emission scales, independent reduction situations and reduction effects, and the impact of different rates on the overall economy (GDP), price levels (CPI) and individual industries...

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There are 41 cases listed on the Natural Carbon Sink Platform, and 13 cases have been applied by companies.

CNA / July 17, 2024

To introduce private power to promote sustainability, the Forestry Department set up the "Company Group Participation Project Matching Platform for Natural Carbon Sequestration and Biodiversity Conservation" online in April, with 41 projects in 2 categories and 4 types listed, 13 projects in the process of matching, and 9 projects planned. The company' s response results will be released monthly...



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Taipei Stock Exchange: Corporate Governance Assessment will Transform into ESG Assessment in 2026

CNA / July 3, 2024

To achieve the 2050 net-zero transformation goal, the Taipei stock exchange is fully assisting in promoting sustainable finance. The chairman of the Taipei stock exchange, announced today (July 3) that the Taiwan corporate governance assessment that has been held for 10 years will keep pace with the times and is expected to transform into an "ESG assessment" in 2026....

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Disposable Plastic Cups Banned from September, Paper Cup Recycling Issues Emerge

PTS / September 3, 2024

Starting from September this year (2024), plastic cups will be banned in beverage stores across Taiwan. Many stores will use paper cups instead. Although it helps reduce plastic, paper cups are easy for people to mistakenly throw away into general garbage or paper; in fact, paper cups and lunch boxes are plastic coated, so they should be deposed as "paper container". Previous investigations by environmental NGOs found that because recycling classification is usually not detailed, up to 40% of paper cups were thrown away in the wrong place...

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Electricity Prices for Individuals Continued to Freeze, While Industrial Electricity Prices Increased by 12.5% since October

PTS / September 30, 2024

PTS / September 4, 2024

Domestic electricity prices after October have been finalized today (September 30). People's electricity consumption, including residences, small businesses and people's domestic demand industries, continued to freeze. As for industrial electricity, it has increased by 12.5%, reaching NT\$ 4.29 per kilowatt hour. However, if the industrial electricity consumption declined by more than 5% compared with the previous year (2023), and the market value also declines by more than 15%, the electricity price would freeze ...

SAP Kaohsiung ESG and AI Center Opened. Kaohsiung Mayor Said to Accelerate Net-Zero Transformation

best partner to help companies find solutions and accelerate the industry's net-zero transformation...

Business management software provider SAP opened the world's first ESG and AI research and innovation center in Kaohsiung New Bay Area today. Kaohsiung City Mayor Chen Chi-mai said that the city government will act as the

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OSE Was Awarded the Green Corporate Label – Responding to Green Life and Creating a Sustainable Future

The challenge of climate change becomes increasingly severe. According to research by the International Energy Agency (IEA), changing life behaviors and improving material use efficiency can reduce carbon emissions by about 8%, and this is the action that everyone can participate in.

To promote the concept of green living, OSE and the Organic Living and Environment Education Promotion Association jointly held a "Green Living Action" lecture in August, and received the green corporate label issued by the association. This lecture focused on sharing the importance of energy conservation and carbon reduction, plastic reduction and low-carbon life, and environmental protection actions and skills on how to practice in daily life, so that participants can jointly become promoters of green life.

In addition to actively organizing various lectures, we also spontaneously organize various activities such as embankment cleaning activities and second-hand markets to give second-hand items new life, etc. All the proceeds from the activities will be also donated to charity groups to promote social development. We believe that every small effort is an important step towards a sustainable future. We will continue to protect our environment and practice green living actions. Contribute to the future of the earth!



Source: 104 Job Bank / OSE

104 Job Bank - Best Employer Brand Awards https://eb-awards.events.104.com.tw/winner

OSE ESG Website - Inclusive Community: <u>https://esg.ose.com.tw/en/unitb-5-1/</u>

OSE wins the "Best Attractiveness Award" at 104 Job Bank's Best Employer Brand Awards

Managing and cultivating "employer brand" is the way for employer to attract and retain talents. This year, 104 Job Bank held the "Best Employer Brand Award", featuring EVP(Employee Value Proposition) as the core indicator which includes co-creation, diversity and sustainability. OSE also joins this campaign and won the "Best Attractiveness Award" among total 444 companies joining the "Best Employer Brand Award" ...

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Source: OSE

OSE Honored with the Bronze Award for SDG 04 in 2024 Taiwan Sustainability Action Awards (TSAA) for "OSE Promote Education to Reserve the Energy of Sustainable Development"

OSE has proudly received the Bronze Award for SDG 04 Quality Education at the "2024 TSAA Taiwan Sustainability Action Awards," hosted by the Taiwan Institute for Sustainable Energy (TAISE). The award ceremony took place on August 8 at the Taipei World Trade Center, in the "Asia-Pacific 2024 SDG Summit". (source: 活動訊息:關於獎項: TCSA台灣企業永續獎 tcsaward.org.tw)

Based on OSE' s core values, we focused on sustainability efforts around education, promoting sustainability across 4 key dimensions: Environment, Social Responsibility, Economics, and Cross-Sector Collaboration. With agile, methodical actions, OSE continuously empower our business with sustainability, aiming to exert a positive, lasting, diverse, and inclusive social impact.

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Source : OSE

OSE Opened a Professional Course for Reserve Engineers for the First Time to Promote the Sustainable Development of Talents

OSE is highly aware of the importance of SDGs.4 high-quality education and is committed to building an internal talent pool through in-factory training, so that people with potential and familiar with OSE's environment can shine in suitable positions and enhance the sustainability of talents. . In July this year, we cooperated with the S Corridor High-tech Program of the Ministry of Labor to launch the first "Reserve Engineer Professional Course", in which professional internal and external lecturers provide 60 hours of semiconductor equipment professional knowledge and practical courses to trainees.

After completing the training, trainees could get the ticket to be transferred to equipment assistant engineer position, which developed their full potential and allowed them to strengthen their skills in practice. This training attracted a total of 17 direct personnel to participate. This not only provided a development path for their careers, but also injected new vitality into OSE, and give the chance to practice the concept of DEI (Diversity, Equity and Inclusion).

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A Knowledge a day-DEI

- DEI is the abbreviation of three English words: Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.
- The core of DEI is to allow employees in the company to avoid unreasonable treatment because of their various characteristics, to enable every employee to have the opportunity to develop their strengths, and to strengthen the company' s adaptability on different issues and under any circumstances.
- Diversity
 - The company's employee composition structure or talent possesses diversity of characteristics.
- Equity
 - The company treats each employee based on the performance necessary for his or her job and does not discriminate based on any innate characteristics.
- Inclusion
 - The company accommodates people with different characteristics and ideas, creates an inclusive and friendly workplace environment, and allows employees to express themselves and work with peace of mind without pressure.

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ESG web page

https://esg.ose.com.tw/

Facebook

 <u>https://www.facebook.com/OSEjoinus/?locale</u> <u>=zh_TW</u>

104 Manpower Bank Page

https://www.104.com.tw/company/14vys25k

ESG Websites

Whole-of-Society Defense Resilience Committee, Office of the President

<u>https://www.president.gov.tw/Page/716</u>

National Councils for Sustainable Development, Executive Yuan

<u>https://ncsd.ndc.gov.tw/Fore/en/Taiwansdg</u>

Industrial Sustainable Development Clearinghouse, Industrial Development Bureau, MOEA

<u>https://proj.ftis.org.tw/isdn/</u>

Greentrade, Bureau of Foreign Trade, MOEA

https://www.greentrade.org.tw/

IFRS Front, Taiwan Stock Exchange (TWSE)

https://isds.tpex.org.tw/IFRS/front/#/main/home

Taiwan Carbon Solution Exchange, Taiwan Stock Exchange (TWSE)

https://www.tcx.com.tw/

ESG IR Platform, Taiwan Depository & Clearing Corporation (TDCC)

<u>https://irplatform.tdcc.com.tw/ir/en/front/index</u>

Kaohsiung Climate Change, Environmental Protection Bureau Kaohsiung City Government

<u>https://khsclimatechange.kcg.gov.tw/</u>

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