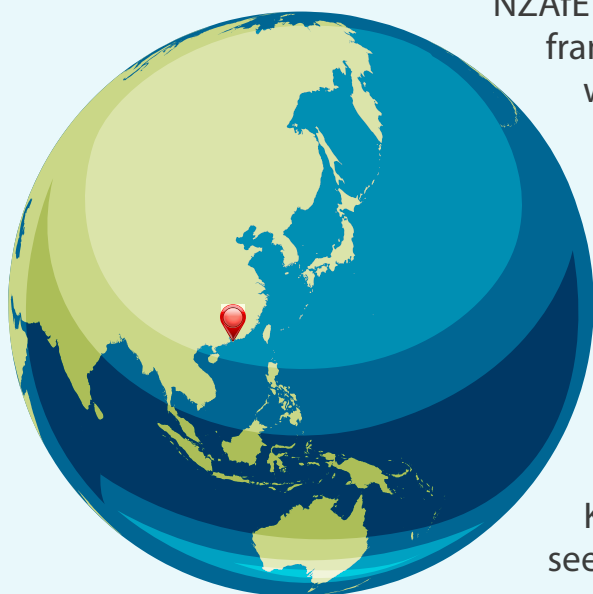


Hong Kong's **FIRST** independent framework for recognising credible pathways to net zero



NZAfE is an independent assessment and recognition framework developed by the Green Council to evaluate whether a company's net-zero strategy is credible, measurable and supported by a sector-relevant transition pathway.

It is more than an awards programme. It is a structured assessment that recognises organisations whose climate commitments are supported by governance, data and implementation.

As climate disclosure expectations tighten in Hong Kong, investors, boards, lenders and regulators are seeking clearer evidence of transition readiness. NZAfE responds to this need by providing a locally grounded and independent benchmark for credible net-zero leadership.

Why NZAfE stands out

-  **Independent assessment developed by the Green Council.**
-  **Built for Hong Kong's corporate and regulatory context.**
-  **Focused on credibility, governance, transparency and measurable progress.**



Find out more
www.nzafe.hk

Eligibility

NZAfE welcomes applications from both listed and non-listed companies.

PARTICIPATION TRACKS

LISTED COMPANIES

Companies with a primary or dual-primary listing on the HKEX Main Board

OTHER ELIGIBLE COMPANIES

Open to any company that publishes a standalone ESG or sustainability report — including private companies and Hong Kong subsidiaries of multinationals — regardless of headquarters location, provided it has operations or a meaningful presence in Hong Kong



Award Categories

Listed Company Category

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Non-Listed / Other Eligible Company Category

All applications are assessed under the same independent NZAfE framework, while recognition is presented separately to ensure fair and meaningful comparison among peers.

5 SECTORS COVERED

Each company applies under the sector that best reflects its primary business activity. If a company operates across multiple sectors, the NZAfE Secretariat can advise on the most appropriate classification.



Banks



Insurers



Asset Management

Financial



Power & Energy



Water



Transportation



Telecommunication

Infrastructure & Utilities



Developers



REITs
(Real Estate Investment Trusts)



Property Management

Property



Retail



Traders



Shipping



Freight and Supply chain

Trading & Logistics



Conglomerates with Multiple Business Lines

Diversified

What NZAfE Assesses

NZAfE evaluates whether a company has the governance, data, targets and transition planning needed to support a credible net-zero pathway.

The framework combines Common Criteria for all participants with Sector Core Criteria tailored to the climate challenges of each sector.

ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK

70%

Common Criteria

- Board governance on climate
- GHG emissions measurement and target-setting
- Net-zero transition planning
- Sustainability reporting and disclosure
- Physical climate risk management

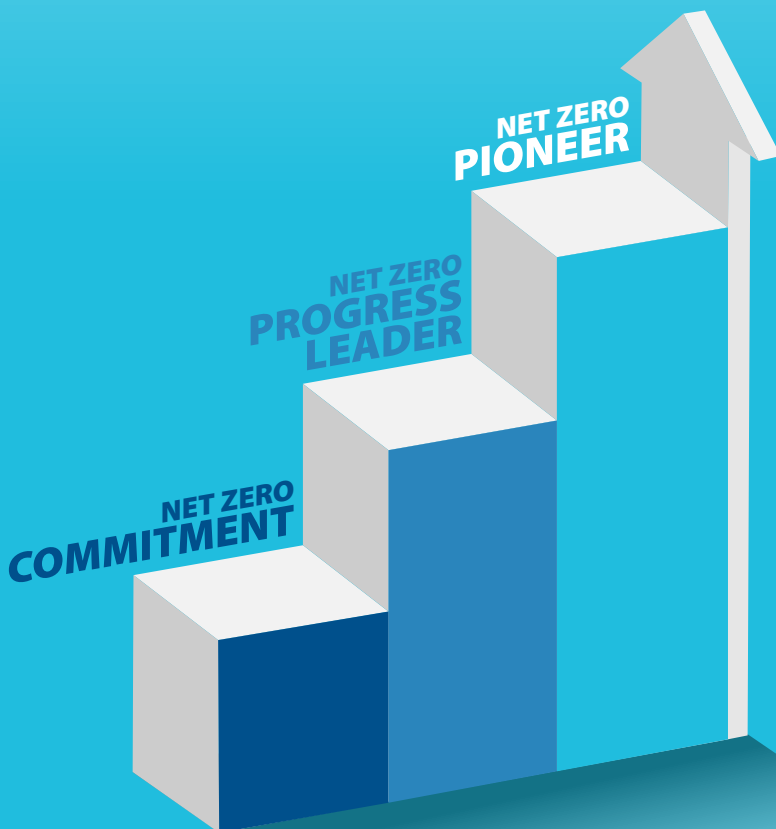
30%

Sector Core Criteria

Sector-specific criteria reflecting the material climate issues of each industry

RECOGNITION BANDS

The assessment provides companies with structured feedback that can be used to enhance their net zero strategy, governance and implementation over time.



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Why Participate

NZAfE helps companies demonstrate that their net-zero strategy has been independently reviewed through a Hong Kong-specific framework. Participation can support engagement with investors, customers, boards, lenders and regulators who increasingly expect credible evidence of transition planning and implementation.

BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATION



Reinforce market credibility through independent recognition



Strengthen stakeholder confidence in your climate transition approach



Support clearer ESG and climate-related communications



Benchmark your strategy against a transparent, expert-led assessment model

HOW TO JOIN

01



Contact the NZAfe Secretariat to confirm eligibility and participation arrangements

02



Complete registration, including authorised company sign-off and payment

03



Receive the online assessment form and guidance materials

04



Submit the required information and supporting documents

05



Await assessment, shortlist notification and final results announcement

JUDGED BY EXPERIENCED LEADERS AND EXPERTS

Submissions are reviewed by an independent Judging Panel drawn from financial services, sustainable finance, engineering, academia, corporate governance and independent advisory.

Take the next step in credible net-zero leadership.

Visit www.nzafe.hk for eligibility details, assessment criteria, key dates and application information.

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