

Hong Kong Express Rail Link Wins Local and International Design Awards

The outstanding design of the newly opened Guangzhou - Shenzhen - Hong Kong Express Rail Link (Hong Kong Section) has been honoured with Gold Awards in the Community - Service category at both the 2018 Hong Kong Design Awards as well as the international 2018 GOV Design Awards. Both awards recognise the MTR Corporation for the successful delivery of the rail project, which is commissioned by the Hong Kong SAR Government, and its service commencement.

Connecting Hong Kong to the over 25,000 km National High Speed Rail Network, the new High Speed Rail service enhances travelling comfort and convenience and will create tremendous new opportunities for economic development. The spacious and stylishly designed Hong Kong West Kowloon Station provides a wide range of services to cater for the needs of passengers, and different facilities are also offered on board the Vibrant Express high-speed trains operated by MTR for services to Shenzhen and Guangzhou.

"The Express Rail Link is the largest infrastructure project delivered by the Corporation in Hong Kong in the past 20 years. We have been working closely with relevant bureaux and departments in the Hong Kong SAR Government in delivering this landmark project and we are very proud to see that our efforts and achievement are recognised. We will continue to focus on ensuring that High Speed Rail delivers the best services for the people of Hong Kong and visitors from the Mainland of China and around the world," said Mr Lincoln Leong, CEO of MTR Corporation.

The Hong Kong Design Awards and GOV Design Awards are organised by DRIVENxDESIGN, and the judging panels include leading design professionals from major studios and industry bodies as well as design commissioners.

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About MTR Corporation

MTR Corporation is regarded as one of the world's leading railway operators for safety, reliability, customer service and cost efficiency. In its home base of Hong Kong, the Corporation operates ten commuter railway lines, a Light Rail network, an Airport Express link as well as a new High Speed Rail service connecting Hong Kong to the Mainland of China that was launched in September 2018. These services carry about 5.8 million passenger trips on a normal week day. Another 6.5 million passenger trips are made on the rail services MTR operates outside Hong Kong in the Mainland of China, the United Kingdom, Sweden and Australia. In addition, the Corporation is involved in a range of railway construction projects as well as railway consultancy and contracting services around the world. Leveraging on its railway expertise, the Corporation is involved in the development of transit-related residential and commercial property projects, property management, shopping malls leasing and management, advertising media and telecommunication services.

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Photo Captions:

1. Hong Kong West Kowloon Station is a new icon for the city with its sleek and spacious modernist design with a wide range of convenient services provided for High Speed Rail passengers.



2. Passenger service for the High Speed Rail commenced on 23 September 2018, connecting Hong Kong directly to 44 destinations in the Mainland of China without interchange. Vibrant Express trains, operated by MTR Corporation, carry up to 579 passengers in comfortable first class and second class compartments.

