ULI PHILIPPINES HOSTS LAUNCH OF BGC GREENWAY PARK AND THE INAUGURAL HEALTHY PLACES AWARDS 2016 WITH PHILIPPINE GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL

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TAGUIG CITY, PHILIPPINES – July 22, 2016 - Top Real Estate Developers and Projects were recognized at the joint inaugural “Awards for Excellence in Sustainability and Health” showcasing Urban Land Institute’s Healthy Places Awards and Philippine Green Building Council’s Leadership in Green Building Awards. The event was held last July 14, 2016 at Net Park in Bonifacio Global City, Philippines. The Awards were co-organized by the Urban Land Institute (ULI) Philippines and the Philippine Green Building Council (PHILGBC), and sponsored by The NET Group and Aon.

ULI Philippines awarded the Healthy Places Awards based on ULI’s Building Healthy Places Initiative, which aims to “leverage the power of ULI’s global networks to shape projects and places in ways that improve the health of people and communities.” Judges evaluated the entries based on ULI’s Ten Principles for Building Healthy Places and ULI’s Building Healthy Places Toolkit’s 21 Recommendations. As an outcome of ULI Philippines local initiative, “A Resilient and Healthy BGC,” the Healthy Places Awards mission is to shed light on the direct link between human health and the built environment by recognizing the projects that exemplify and promote healthy living. Categories in Healthy Places Awards include: Residential (Condo & Horizontal), Commercial (Office, Retail, Hospitality), Mixed Use Community (Neighborhood and Large Scale), and Institutional.

The Philippine Green Building Council awarded the Leadership in Green Building Awards which had 2 categories: The Business Leadership in Sustainability Award recognizes companies which are truly integrating sustainability into their business models and contributing to the transition towards a sustainable built environment. These organizations understand that sustainability presents a long-term business opportunity, demonstrate sustainable practices within their internal and external operations, and show sustainability leadership within industry.

The Leadership in Sustainable Design and Performance Award recognizes pioneering green building projects that deliver a range of benefits through a holistic approach to sustainability. These projects go beyond simply minimizing their impact by considering factors that lead to positive outcomes for both the environment and for people.

Winners from the PHILGBC Awards on Leadership in Green Building will be the official nominees of the Philippines to the World Green Building Council – Asia Pacific Network Leadership in Green Building Awards in September.

ULI welcomed an esteemed panel of judges across multiple disciplines, departments, and regions. The panel included Aon Director Andrew Bisconte, St. Luke’s Medical Center’s Vice President, Josephine Aguilar, President of AECOM Asia Pacific Sean Chiao, and Chair of ULI Australia, Peter Holland. The most esteemed guests of the evening were ULI’s Global CEO, Patrick Phillips, and Doris Magsaysay Ho, Chair of Asia Society Philippines.

The Philippine Green Building Council (PHILGBC) also had an esteemed panel of judges – Maria Cristina Samson, President of The Net Group, Dr. Alvin Culaba, PhD., Executive Vice President of the External Vice President of De La Salle University, and Mr. Christopher de la Cruz, CEO of the PHILGBC.

The Awards were graced by guest of honor, Patrick Phillips, Global CEO of the Urban Land Institute who also recognized outgoing ULI Philippines Chair, Charlie Rufino with a special award and token from the organization. “This award is for someone very
personal and special to me,” Patrick Phillips remarked. “5 years ago, Charlie had a dream to bring ULI to the Philippines. Charlie, without your hard work, none of this would have ever been possible.”

Winners and finalists were awarded on stage by Patrick Phillips, Charlie Rufino (Global Trustee of ULI), Raymond Rufino (Chairman of ULI Philippines and Chairman of PHILGBC), Christopher de la Cruz (CEO of PHILGBC), Anna Tungol (Executive Director of PHILGBC), participating judges, and host Jean De Castro of Bloomberg TV Philippines.

Sponsored by The Net Group and Aon, the event also showcased a number of exhibits. Companies such as Bambike Ecotours, Habitat, Flax Midori, Dan’s Bike, and Aon set up booths to display how their work fosters healthy and sustainable lifestyles. UP Bike Share, the winner of Inquirer Mobile and ULI Philippines’ Hack the CBD competition was also honored. Guests enjoyed cocktails and dinner by Kai, as well as performances by Sitti Navarro and Nicolle Cojuangco.

**BGC Greenway Park**
The Healthy Places Awards was preceded by the ULI Launch of the BGC Greenway Park, a 1.6 km-walking path that functions as a recreational amenity as well as a natural disaster evacuation route. The project was catalyzed by an Urban Innovation Grant given by the ULI Foundation to ULI Philippines to spearhead an initiative. Together with Bonifacio Global City, Fort Bonifacio Development Corporation and ULI Philippines, the first 80m were launched to the community stakeholders and nearby residents. The entire BGC Greenway Park is slated to be completed on November 30, 2016, coinciding with Bonifacio Day.

See a list of awardees below.

**ULI Philippines Healthy Places Award Winners**

**Category:** Commercial – Office  
**Winner:** A Place by Asya Design Partner  
**Finalist:** One World Place by Daiichi Properties

**Category:** Residential – Condo  
**Winner:** Arista Place by DMCI Homes  
**Finalists:** The Meranti by ALVEO, Senta by ALVEO, Kasa Luntian by ALVEO

**Category:** Residential – Horizontal  
**Winner:** Anvaya Cove by Ayala Land Premier  
**Finalists:** Amonsagana Retirement Village by SYNTech Properties, Venare by ALVEO, Ferndale Villas by ALVEO

**Category:** Mixed Use Community - Neighborhood  
**Winner:** Eastwood City by Megaworld  
**Finalists:** Magnolia Town Center by Robinsons, Garden Bloc at Cebu I.T. Park by Cebu Property Ventures & Development Corporation

**Category:** Mixed Use Community - Large  
**Winner:** Bonifacio Global City, Walkability by Fort Bonifacio Development Corporation  
**Finalists:** Makati CBD, Make it Makati by Ayala Land, Nuvali by Ayala Land

**Category:** Special Commendation (Commercial – Retail)  
**Winner:** SM Seaside City Mall by SM Prime Holdings

**Category:** Special Commendation (Commercial – Hospitality)  
**Winner:** Seda Nuvali by Seda Hotels
Category: Special Commendation - Institution
Winner: De La Salle University BGC Campus by CS Design Consultancy

Philippine Green Building Council Leadership in Green Building Awards
Category: Business Leadership in Sustainability
Finalists: Ayala Land, Inc., Republic Cement
Winner: Arthaland Corporation

Category: Leadership in Sustainability Design & Performance
Finalists: A Place (Asya Design), Seda Nuvali (Ayala Land, Inc)
Winners: Commercial Building – Zuellig Building (Bridgebury Realty Corporation)
Residential Building – Primavera Residence (Italpinas Euroasian Design & Development Corp.)

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