



# December Update

## MEINHARDT IN FOCUS

With the end of the year upon us, Meinhardt Thailand hosted its **annual Christmas Cocktail party** on 28 November at the Park Hyatt Bangkok. Attended by over 700 of Meinhardt's valued clients and associates, the event was a great success. The guest speaker this year was Mr. Richard Bell, Managing Director of Cornerstone Management - our longtime partner in the construction industry. He shared his views and experiences of working in construction, the market outlook, and the future challenges the industry faces.

"The year 2017, our 27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary has been another good year for Meinhardt with stability and opportunities that keep on rising. Meinhardt will continue to develop and expand our presence locally and internationally in the year 2018."



John Pollard  
Managing Director - Meinhardt Thailand  
Group Regional CEO - South Asia

## PROJECT IN FOCUS

**98 Wireless**, the luxury high rise condominium by Sansiri Public Company Limited recently became **LEED Certified™** under LEED New Construction version 2009. **Meinhardt Thailand was the project's LEED consultant.** It is the **first-ever LEED certified multifamily residential project in Thailand** to achieve certification from the U.S. Green Building Council. Several sustainable strategies were employed to make the project unique in Thailand's luxury condominium market.

Mr. John Pollard, Managing Director and Ms. Sasiporn Sirlatthaporn, Director joined Mr. Apichart Chutrakul, Chief Executive Officer of Sansiri, for the presentation of the LEED Certified™ Certificate at 98 Wireless.

Source: 98 Wireless. (2017). 98 Wireless | U.S. Green Building Council. [online] Usgbc.org. Available at: <https://www.usgbc.org/node/2598299> [Accessed 12 Dec. 2017].



## STAFF IN FOCUS

This month we feature **Mr. Lalit Thitipaisal**, Environmentally Sustainable Design (ESD) Manager. Lalit is an experienced consultant in Green Building Certification and Sustainable Design. He has a Masters Degree in Management and Engineering of Environment and Energy from IMT Atlantique, France and Universidad Politecnica de Madrid, Spain. He also holds LEED AP® Building Design + Construction; LEED AP® Interior Design + Construction; and LEED AP® Operations + Maintenance credentials.

Lalit's experience includes LEED Project Administration, Commissioning Authority for MEP systems, and ESD for wide range of project including this month's featured project - 98 Wireless. Lalit recently hosted an in-house seminar entitled "LEEDv4: the LEED of the future".

"The opportunity to work on prominent and large-scale green building projects at Meinhardt has brought with it a number of challenges, but has also rewarded me with invaluable experience. With increasing awareness for sustainability in the construction industry, it is apparent we are living in an age where 'Green is the new black'."



Lalit Thitipaisal  
ESD Manager

## FACT IN FOCUS

Do you know that: In pursuing LEED Certification, apartments and condominiums are considered to be multifamily buildings. The entire building must register to participate; buildings cannot be partially certified and every unit within a multifamily building must earn the same certification level (e.g. Silver, Gold). A multifamily project can be certified under a different system depending on number of building floors.

Source: New.usgbc.org. (2017). Guide to Certification: Homes | USGBC. [online] Available at: <https://new.usgbc.org/cert-guide/homes> [Accessed 12 Dec. 2017].

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