

Information Sheet

Project Title: Source Separation of Waste Survey

Project Abstract:

After the Source Separation of Waste (SSW) Programme has been launched in January 2005, the domestic recovery rate in Hong Kong has been increased progressively from 16% in 2005 to 38% in 2011. Because the refuse and recyclable data are reported on a voluntary basis, these data might not well present the effectiveness of the SSW Programme. With this in mind, this study evaluates the effectiveness of the SSW Programme thoroughly. Specifically, this study aims at:

- understanding the public awareness on the SSW Programme in their estates and participation rate;
- identifying the possible alternative recycling outlets; and
- determining the quantity of recyclables recovered under and outside the SSW Programme.

It is expected that the project “Source Separation of Waste Survey 2013” can fill the information gap between SSW Programme and domestic recovery rate of Hong Kong. Furthermore, findings and results of the proposed project may cast light to improve the SSW Programme that in turn further enhances the domestic recovery rate in Hong Kong.