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Part A: The Project and Investigator(s)

1. Project Title

Seminar Series on "Sustainable Fashion Development for the Greater Bay Area"

2. Investigator(s) and Academic Department(s) / Unit(s) Involved

Research Team	Name / Post	Unit / Department / Institution
Principal Investigator	CHU Wai Ching / Asso. Prof.	FDE/THEi
Co-Principal Investigator(s)	CHAN Ah Pun/Lecturer	DFI/HKDI
Co-Investigator(s)	NG Kwok Hei/Research Assistant Professor	SFT/HKPOLYU
Others		

3. Project Duration

	Original	Revised	Date of RGC / Institution Approval (must be quoted)
Project Start Date	1/1/2021	NA	NA
Project Completion Date	31/12/2021	NA	NA
Duration (in month)	12	NA	NA
Deadline for Submission of Completion Report	31/12/2022	NA	NA

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Prof. Jinah OH

Director,

Academy of Art University, USA



Sustainable Global Fashion Supply Chain

Dr. Chris LO

Associate Professor,

Hong Kong Polytechnic University



Sustainable Fashion Consumption

Dr. Sophie YOU

Head of Sustainability, Scandale (HK) Limited



The future of Fashion Industry in Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area

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HON. CHUNG KWOK-PAN, FELIX

Member of Legislative Council under Functional Constituency of Textiles and Garment



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Part B: The Final Report

5. Collaboration with Other Self-Financing Degree-Awarding Institutions

			Distinctive <u>Element(s)</u> of the
	Name	% of	Institution in Responsible
	of Institution(s)	Participation	Project
Applying	Technological and		Take all the responsibilities in the
Institution	Higher Education	100%	organization and promotion of the
	Institute		seminars
Collaborating	N/A		
Institution(s)	11/11		
(If any)#			
Total:			

If no other eligible local self-financing degree-awarding institutions are involved, please input "N/A" in this table.

6. Project Objectives

6.1	Objectives as	s per original	application
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- 1. To explore the opportunities and challenges of the fashion industry in the Greater Bay Area
- 2. To explore sustainable materials and techniques for fashion product design and development
- 3. To share knowledge and experience on the sustainable practices in the fashion industry and consumers' consumption pattern
- 4. To understand how the government's policies and strategies can support the development of a sustainable fashion business in the Greater Bay Area
- 5. To provide a platform for networking among academic, industry and government representatives and promoting public awareness on the issues of sustainable fashion development in the Greater Bay Area

6.2	Revised objectives	
	Date of approval from the RGC:	N/A
	Reasons for the change:	

1.

2.

3.

6.3 Realisation of the objectives

when exploring this market in seminar 4.

(Maximum 1 page; please state how and to what extent the project objectives have been achieved; give reasons for under-achievements and outline attempts to overcome problems, if any)

- In webinar 3, Prof. Jinah Oh used San Frans Francisco Bay area as an example to show the opportunities for the fashion industry employing sustainable concept in this bay area. Many new sustainable fashion brands were established in the past years. Ms. Junyi Xie also shared her experience in developing a sustainable fashion brand in the Greater Bay Area and the opportunity that she discovered. In webinar 2 challenges on logistic and supply chain issues were discussed by Dr. Chris Lo and Mr. Stephen Kwok also shared the success of using sustainable concept on his award-winning heat conductive products under the name of Knitwarm in seminar 1. Knitwarm has received a lot of accolades internationally and developed a new market demand on sustainable fashion in the Greater Bay Area and Asia Pacific. Ms. Janet Cheung discussed about the challenges and competitive edges for fashion design talents
- 2. <u>To explore sustainable materials and techniques for fashion product design and development</u>
 Various topics in sustainable materials and techniques, including laser engraving for denim surface design, 3D printing/scanning, virtual try-on, etc. were discussed by Dr Daoud, Mr. Stephen Kwok, Prof. C. W Kan and Prof. Xu in webinars 1 and 2. New design approaches were also covered by Mr. John Lau and Dr King in webinar 2.
- 3. <u>To share knowledge and experience on the sustainable practices in the fashion industry and consumers' consumption pattern</u>

Successful experiences in developing business with a view to making positive impact on environment were shared by the Crystal Group in webinar 2 and Ms. Lee from Lenzing also informed the audience the Lenzing's sustainable "close-looped" production of synthesis fibers in webinar 1. Ms. Karen Ho's sharing on 'Making Zero Impact on Fashionable' in Seminar 4 inspired audience on the new solutions in reducing harm to the environment from the entire textile and apparel supply chain. Dr You's presentation on how she grasped the business opportunity by incorporating social and environment responsibility in the fashion brand and the consumer awareness on the sustainable consumption.

4. <u>To understand how the government's policies and strategies can support the development of a</u> sustainable fashion business in the Greater Bay Area

In seminar 4, existing Hong Kong government strategies in sustainable fashion business was covered by Honorary Felix Chung; policy in supporting sustainable fashion business development, arrangement for Hong Kong designers to China, and funding scheme that open for fashion design-relative projects were discussed by Ms. Jersey Yuen.

5. <u>To provide a platform for networking among academic, industry and government representatives and promoting public awareness on the issues of sustainable fashion development in the Greater Bay Area</u>

Throughout the seminar series, connections among academic, industry and government representatives were built. This network is valuable for potential multidisciplinary collaboration. Although three seminars were conducted online, we still managed to connect participants to the speakers. After the seminar, participants' questions were also sent to individual speaker for response. Participants were welcome to liaise with the speakers to explore further projects on sustainable fashion. In seminar 4, participants had also discussed with the government representatives on the future sustainable initiatives. Participants have become aware that sustainable development is not only a responsibility, but also an opportunity in fashion

development in the Greater Bay Area. All the seminar recordings were uploaded to the youtube platform for open access.

6.4 Summary of objectives addressed to date

Objectives	Addressed (please tick)	Percentage Achieved (please estimate)
1. To explore the opportunities and challenges of the fashion industry in the Greater Bay Area	✓	100%
2. To explore sustainable materials and techniques for fashion product design and development	✓	100%
3. To share knowledge and experience on the sustainable practices in the fashion industry and consumers' consumption pattern	✓	100%
4. To understand how the government's policies and strategies can support the development of a sustainable fashion business in the Greater Bay Area	✓	100%
5. To provide a platform for networking among academic, industry and government representatives and promoting public awareness on the issues of sustainable fashion development in the Greater Bay Area	✓	100%

6.5 Project progress

Original Implementation Schedule	Revised Implementation Schedule (Date of RGC's Approval)	Updated Progress
Apr 2021: Seminar 1	N/A	Webinar 1 arranged at 17/4/2021
Jun 2021: Seminar 2	N/A	Webinar 2 arranged on 26/6/2021
Sept 2021: Seminar 3	N/A	Webinar 3 arranged on 18/9/2021
Dec 2021: Seminar 4	N/A	Seminar 4 organized on 7/12/2021

6.6 Speaker(s)

Title / Name (Surname in Capital Letters)	Post / Institution	Title of Presentation	Previous Research Links with Hong Kong Institutions (Nature and Date (Month / Year))
	Seminar 1 – "Sustai	nable Materials in F	ashion Design"
Dr Walid DAOUD	Asso. Dean, School of Energy and Environment (Research and Graduate Studies), City University of Hong Kong	Sustainable Textile Materials	Collaboration with PolyU in the period of April 2014 to March 2016.
Mr. Stanley KWOK	Director, Knitwarm Company Ltd.	Sustainable Conductive Textile	Delivered talk in HKRITA on the Knitwarm products Research with HKDI on the development of Smart Knee Sleeve in 2018
Prof. Chi Wan KAN	Professor, Hong Kong Polytechnic University	Sustainable Textile Material Processing	Hong Kong Research Institute of Textiles and Apparel (HKRITA) – 1 October 2011 – 30 September 2012 HKRITA – 1 May 2009 – 30 April 2010 HKRITA – 1 December 2010 – 30 November 2012
Ms Amy LEE	Head of Global Retail & Channel Partner Management Lenzing Group	Lenzing's Sustainable Approach	Delivered talk to THEi Fashion Design Students in 2018
LEE	Retail & Channel Partner Management Lenzing Group	Sustainable Approach	Fashion Design Students

Prof. Bugao XU	Professor, University of North Texas	New Technology in Sustainable Development of Fashion Industry	N/A
Mr. Kyle CHUNG	Senior Manager (Sustainability), Crystal International Group Ltd	Crystal 's Sustainable Practices	N/A
Mr. John LAU	Associate Dean, School of Design and Technology, London College of Fashion	Global Sustainable Fashion Design	Delivered a fashion education talk to THEi students in March 2022
Dr Julie KING	Deputy Dean, Faculty of Creative Industries, University of South Wales, UK	Design for Sustainability Fashion	Invited speaker for ICSDE conference organized by THEi in Feb 2020
Semin	ar 3 – "Sustainable P	ractices in Fashion B	usiness Development"
		Sustainable	
Prof. Jinah OH	Director, Academy of Art University, USA	Fashion Development in San Francisco Bay Area	N/A
Dr Chris LO	Associate Professor, Hong Kong Polytechnic University	Sustainable Global Fashion Supply Chain	HKRITA – ITF, 2013 – 2014 Collaboration with CUHK business school for academic research
Dr Sophie YOU	Head of Sustainability, Scandale (HK) Limited	Sustainability Fashion Consumption	N/A
Ms. Junyi XIE	General Manager, Denghao Fashion Company Limited	The future of Fashion Industry in Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area	NA
	"Policies and Strateg at in the Greater Bay		ashion Business
F	Member of	Government Policy	
Hon CHUNG Kwok-pan, Felix	Legislative Council under Functional Constituency of Textiles and Garment	in the Development of Sustainable Fashion Business in Greater Bay Area	Previous speaker in Fashion Summit organized by CITA
Ms Jersey Yuen	Assistant Head of CreateHK	Government support on Sustainable Fashion	NA

		Development in Greater Bay Area	
Ms Janet CHEUNG	Project Director, Hong Kong Fashion Designers Association	Strategy to Sustain HK Fashion Designers' Competitive Edge in China	NA
Ms. Karen Ho	Head of Corporate and Community Sustainability, WWF-Hong Kong	Making Zero Impact Fashionable	NA

6.7 Please provide details of the activities organized, including the theme / objectives of the activities, targeted participants, attendance, analysis of participants, e.g. country of origin, research background, etc., evaluation forms of the activities and a summary of the participants' evaluation. Photos of the activities are preferred.)

The seminar series was designed to discuss the various topics of sustainable fashion development for the Greater Bay Area. Four seminars were held from April to December 2022 at The Technological and Higher Education Institute. Due to the pandemic, the first three seminars were switched to online while the last one adopted both online and offline formats.

A total of 16 speakers have presented in these seminars. The seminar series attracted not only students and staff from THEi, but also staff and students from VTC, research students from PolyU and practitioners from the industry. Due to the pandemic, online rundowns with abstracts and speakers' backgrounds were prepared for all seminars and physical copies were produced in the final seminar which adopted the hybrid mode of delivery. A panel discussion was arranged to answer questions from the participants in each seminar. In this series, industry experts shared their insights on the new applications and technologies in the sustainable development of the textile and clothing industry, and academics were able to identify potential research areas after knowing the needs from the industry.

Seminar 1

Most processing methods of textile materials introduce environmental pollution problems. This seminar invited speakers to share their knowledge and insight about the use and the production of different sustainable materials in fashion design.

Seminar 2

Besides materials and sustainable technologies, design practices were also be addressed in the second seminar. Waste materials produced in the garment-making process can be greatly reduced in special design processes, e.g., via a zero-waste strategy, and it is worthy for both designers and production managers to understand this and other sustainable design practices. In this seminar, international fashion design and technology academia shared their global perspectives on sustainable designs and technologies to enhance the design process in fashion sustainability.

Seminar 3

The focus of this seminar was on sustainable practices in fashion business development. Representatives from industry and academia were invited to share their experiences, topics included sustainable fashion development in other bay area, sustainable global fashion supply chain, fashion consumption, and the future of sustainable fashion in greater bay area were discussed.

Seminar 4

The last seminar focused on the policies and strategies that incentivize the Sustainable Fashion Development in the Greater Bay Area. Government representatives, NGO and professional association were invited and shared the government strategy and support on sustainable development of the fashion industry, as well as their viewpoints and expectations on future development. This seminar provided input on how best to coordinate policy and implementation.

Throughout the seminar series, industrialists can gain a deeper understanding of the supporting policies on sustainable business development in the Greater Bay Area. During the setting up of businesses in the Greater Bay Area, practitioners can design their business strategy based on these beneficial policies. This will enhance the establishment of new start-ups once they have understood the support from the government and the strategies applied by the practitioners.

For students, they can explore and attain new knowledge of technology in fashion sustainability which will help them tackle the sustainability issues in the industry after graduation. Additional knowledge in textile material, business strategy, design, and policy can also benefit academics in their consideration of further research topics and student's research projects.

Although three seminars were conducted online, networking and relationship building among the participants were still maintained. As local and overseas speakers joined in the panel discussion after the presentation, interaction among the participants were developed throughout the seminar series. A collaborative project between the co-I and the industry was also established. To let the public can access the seminar series, all the seminars were uploaded to YouTube for their review.

Analysis of participants:

Seminar/Webinar	Registrant	Attendee
Webinar 1 "Sustainable Materials in Fashion Design"	206	95 (46%)
Webinar 2 "Sustainable Technology and Design in Fashion	151	53 (35%)
Development"		
Webinar 3 "Sustainable Practices in Fashion Business	222	83 (37%)
Development"		
Seminar 4 "Policies and Strategies for Sustainable Fashion	135	54 (40%)
Business Development in the Greater Bay Area"		
Total	714	285 (40%)

Total number of registrants is 714, and number of participants on the webinar and physical seminar is 285. In summary, 40% of the registered guests attended the real-time seminars. For registrants who could not join the seminars, the seminar recordings were sent to them to review. Information about registrants' contact emails and organization names were collected when they registered. About half of the registrants are from the VTC, THEi or PolyU and another half are from the fashion industry or other sectors.

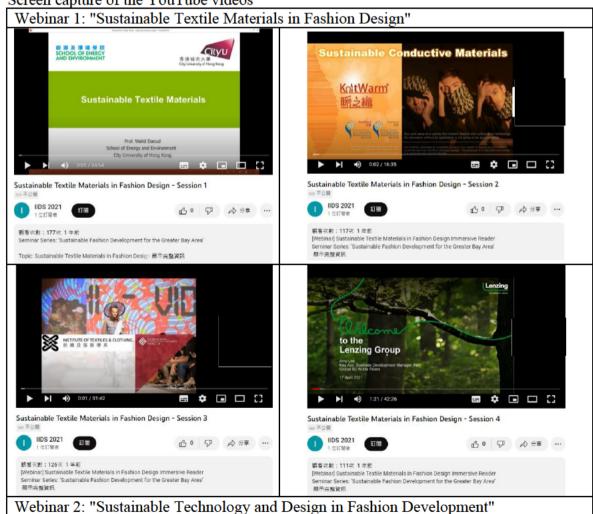
Registrants' organization	Number
Thei students	101
Thei others	20
VTC others	61
VTC student	86
PolyU students/research students	79
PolyU others	62
Outsiders	305
Total	714

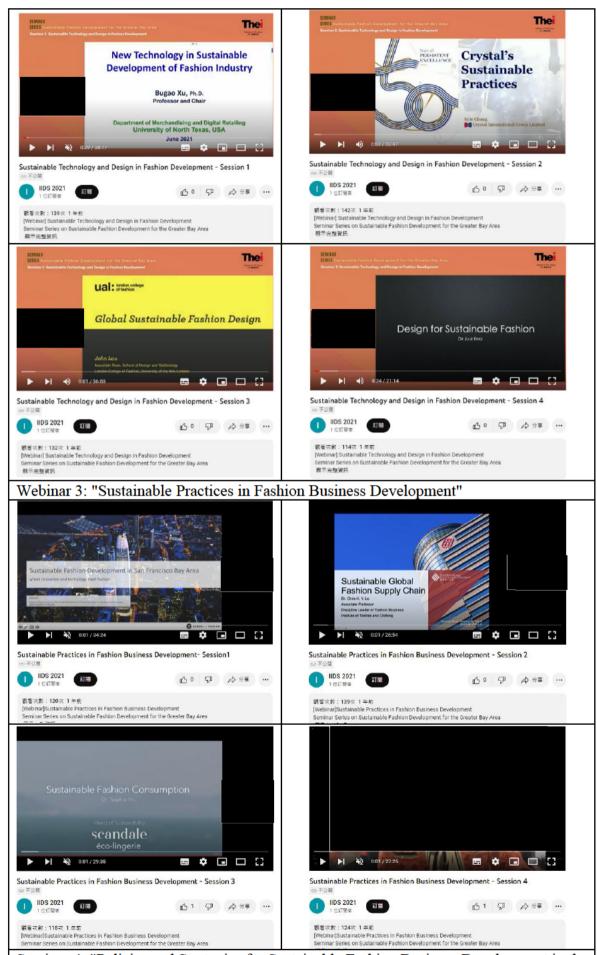
All seminars' recordings were uploaded to YouTube for the public to review, the links were also shared with registered guests. Over 2000 views were recorded. The number of views (to 17/12/2022) are as follows:

No	Title	link	views
1	Sustainable Textile Materials	https://youtu.be/MxuT_RjcJqs	179
	Sustainable Conductive Textile	https://youtu.be/DwVAOE3qqdw	118
	Sustainable Textile Material Processing	https://youtu.be/o3aGxfrJzTk	127
	Lenzing's Sustainable Approach	https://youtu.be/5OpJAZ-ehmU	112
2	New Technology in Sustainable Development of Fashion Industry	https://youtu.be/XkJ-35tt_Rs	140
	Crystal's Sustainable Practices	https://youtu.be/YsdWFRi8d2A	143
	Global Sustainable Fashion Design	https://youtu.be/1b3ldvvCDEo	133

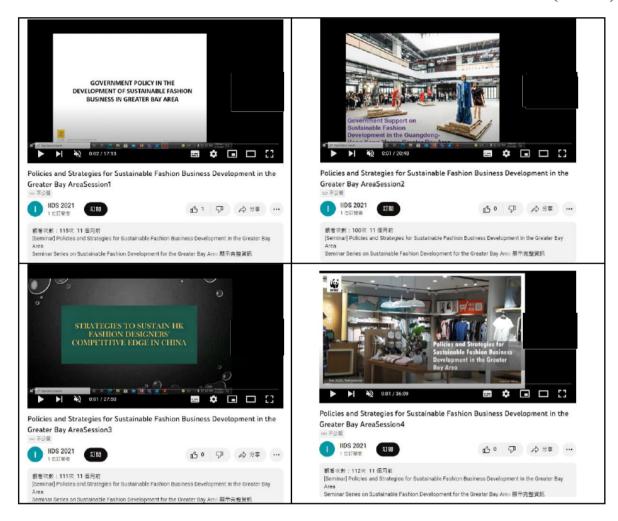
	Design for Sustainable Fashion	https://youtu.be/AvD5UBYwej8	115
3	Sustainable Fashion Development in San Francisco Bay Area	https://youtu.be/fNHKqqGvuyA	121
	Sustainable Global Fashion Supply Chain	https://youtu.be/OHWs7B0KrM0	140
	Sustainable Fashion Consumption	https://youtu.be/C5IZZ7nUiHQ	119
	The Future of Fashion Industry in Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area	https://youtu.be/8Sd76Wl-ktM	125
4	Government Policy in the development of sustainable fashion business in Greater Bay Area	https://youtu.be/Qpm86doqqIo	116
	Government Support on Sustainable Fashion Development in Greater Bay Area	https://youtu.be/Ux_5KgjY9NI	101
	Strategy to Sustain HK Fashion Designers' Competitive Edge in China	https://youtu.be/fAGeTusideg	112
	Making Zero Impact Fashionable	https://youtu.be/-p7qBaHPX4g	113
		Total number of views:	2013

Screen capture of the YouTube videos





Seminar 4: "Policies and Strategies for Sustainable Fashion Business Development in the Greater Bay Area"



Evaluation forms of the activities:

This seminar series used paperless evaluation form via google, screen capture of the form is shown in below pictures:

Feedback on the "Sustainable Fashion Development for the Greater Bay Area" Seminar Series

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Online platform Date and time Amount of sessions	Very satisfied	Slightly	Neither satisfied nor	Slightly	Very
Online	Very satisfied	Slightly	Neither satisfied nor	Slightly	Very

	ow useful to you was the information presented?*		
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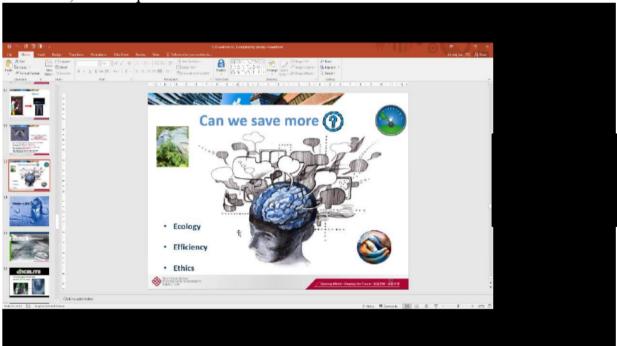
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Summary of the participants' evaluation:

Among the 83 responses received, the result on the evaluation of the seminar series is satisfactory regarding on the overall performance (92%), date and time (87%), number of session offered (83%), duration of panel discussion (88%) and content variety (93%). 99% of the respondens found the seminars useful and 89% of them will recommend the seminar to others. All respondents found the information provided by the seminar series was organised. 81% of the respondents got to know the webinar via the recommedations from school, organisations and friends.

Photos of the activities

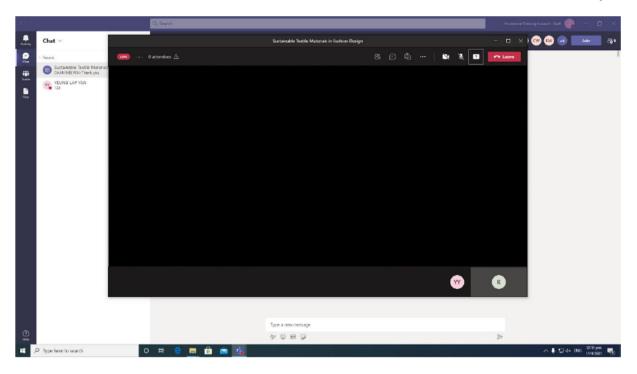
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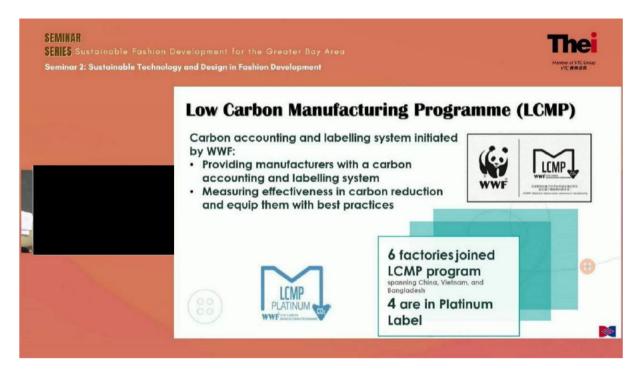
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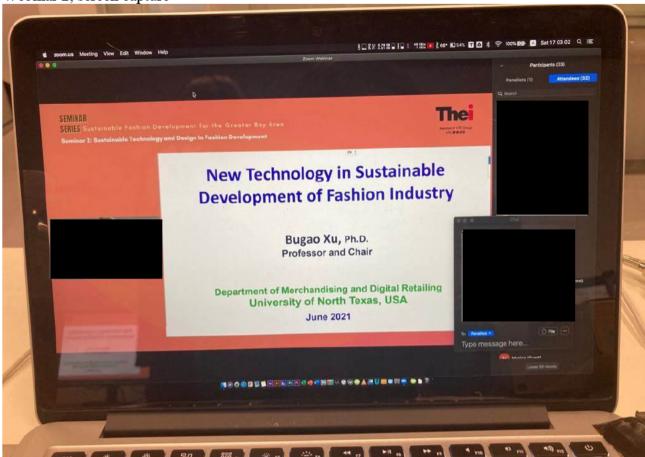
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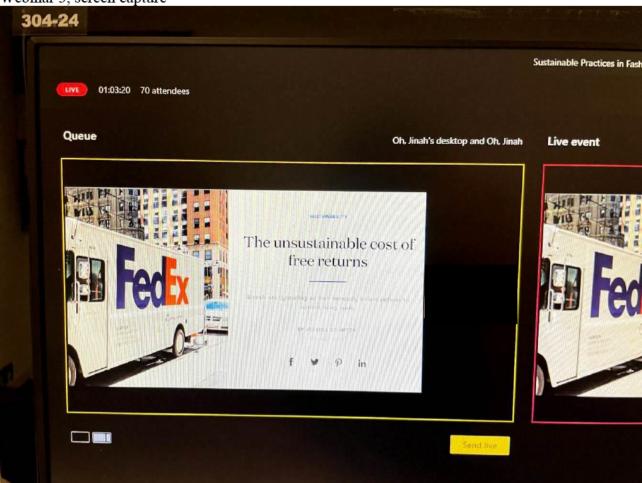
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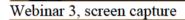


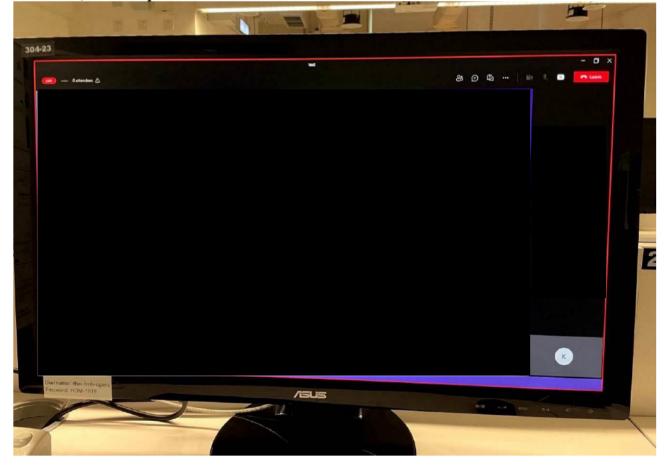
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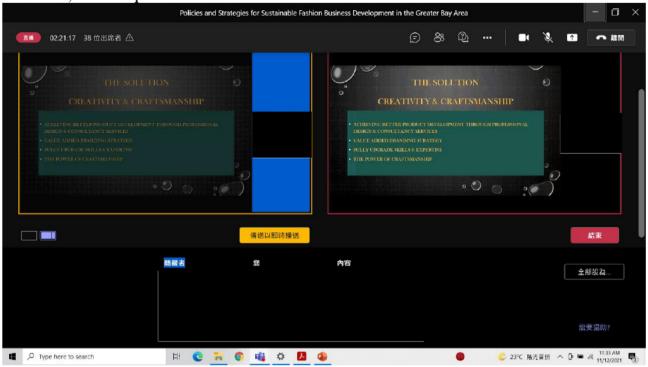
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Seminar 4, screen capture of on-line format



Seminar 4, panel discussion



Seminar 4, panel discussion



Seminar 4, group photo



7. Research-Related Outcome

7.1 Potential for development into research proposal and the proposed course of action (*Maximum half a page*)

The inspiring talks delivered by the local and international speakers on different topics in sustainable fashion development have aroused interest of attendees in the exploration of other initiatives or research projects.

A paper titled as "Improving the Apparel Virtual Size Fitting Prediction under Psychographic Characteristics and 3D Body Measurements Using Artificial Neural Network" was presented by Dr Arthur Chan (Co-I of the project) in 13th International Conference on Applied Human Factors and Ergonomics (AHFE 2022) and the Affiliated Conferences on July 24-28, 2022. This paper has further explored the application of new technologies in the aspect of virtual size fitting which is one of the sustainable approaches in reducing waste.

7.2 Research collaboration achieved (*Please give details on the achievement and its relevant impact*

Collaboration between Dr. Haze Ng (Co-I of this project), Ms Amy Lee of Lenzing Group (1st seminar's speaker) and Prosperity Textile was established. A project titled as "From Inheritance to Innovation – Chinese Cultural Costume Exhibition" with the aim to research on the use of Lenzing's sustainable materials and current technologies on Cheongsam design has been launched from November 2020 till December 2025. This virtual exhibition has showcased nine students' creative contemporary cheongsam designs with the application of traditional skills, sustainable fabric, advanced technologies including laser engraving, digital printing and machine embroidery. The exhibition has also adopted the online format which reduced the waste on exhibition materials. This project has cultivated the students' creative talents with the use of sustainable technologies and materials for the making of contemporary Cheongsam. The project has built the skills and knowledge for students to tackle on environmental issues in the industry. This project will be further developed into a research proposal on the application of digital technologies in fashion cultural product.

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7.3 Any new development and/or challenging research topic(s) has / have been identified and any new initiative(s) for future research has / have been inspired.

Participants were inspired by the speakers for potential research topics. One participant Ms. CHEUNG Hiu (Fashion Design Lecturer of THEi) developed a IIDS project proposal which was successfully funded by UGC in 2022. (UGC/IDS25/B01/22) The title of the project is "Circular Fashion Forum: Implementation of United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UNSDGs) in the fashion industry".

Students were also inspired to employ innovative technology on their design work. Student Irene Siu (PI's final year project student) was shortlisted to showcase her fashion design work in the "fashion x AI 2022-2023" (organized by the AiDLab - Laboratory for Artificial Intelligence in Design) at M+ Museum on 19 December, 2022. The project

aims to promote the use of innovative AI system to facilitate fashion design process by training the students to learn how to apply the AI technology in fashion design. AI technology is well known in fashion industry for gaining sustainable solutions from fashion design to production and consumption. The exhibits will be showcased in other venues in the UK later.

8. The Layman's Summary

(Describe <u>in layman's language</u> the nature, significance and value of the research activities, in no more than 200 words)

Innovative and sustainable materials, technology and retail strategy and government support are key factors for a successful sustainable fashion development in the Greater Bay Area. Industry and customers should have the knowledge about the usage of recycled and environmentally friendly materials, sustainable energy and manufacturing process, and also sustainable practices to face the opportunities and challenges of the new position of Hong Kong in the Greater Bay Area. Government support and commitment are important to facilitate the green making and marketing of green fashion products.

A seminar series on "Sustainable Fashion Development for the Greater Bay Area" was developed in this project. Four seminars were organized to discuss about the sustainable materials, manufacturing technology, design and practices and strategies and government policies for sustainable fashion business development in Greater Bay Area. Experts from the academic and fashion industry from local, overseas countries and Greater Bay Area shared their knowledge and experiences on the application of sustainable materials in fashion product design, the recycling of textiles items , the sustainable development for the future, and relative policy to promote the sustainable practices in Greater Bay Area.

Part C: Research Output

9. Recognized Conference(s) Paper(s) Related To This Project Was / Were Delivered (As Applicable)

(Please attach a copy of each conference abstract)

Month / Year / Place	Title	Conference Name	Submitted to RGC (indicate the year ending of the relevant progress report)	Attached to this Report (Yes or No)	Acknowledged the Support of RGC (Yes or No)
N/A					

10. Research Personnel Trained (As Applicable)

Name	Capacity
	Research Assistant
	Research Assistant
	Research Assistant

11. Other Impact (As Applicable)

(e.g. prizes, collaboration with other research institutions, technology transfer, etc.)

Future collaboration between team members and other institutions such as HKRITA, HKITA

HKDI and HKPOLYU will be further explored as all of us have established relationship

with these institutions. Since all the talks were uploaded onto the YouTube for open access,

more people will be able to review these videos which help to promote the public awareness

on the sustainable fashion development for the Greater Bay China.

12. Statistics on Research Outputs

	Peer-reviewed Journal Publications	Conference Papers	Scholarly Books, Monographs and Chapters	Patents Awarded	Other Rese Output (please spe	S
No. of outputs	NA				Type	No.

arising directly from this			
project			

13. Public Access Of Completion Report

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