



KE Holdings Inc. Releases 2023 Environmental, Social and Governance Report

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BEIJING, April 26, 2024 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- KE Holdings Inc. ("**Beike**" or the "**Company**") (NYSE: BEKE and HKEX: 2423), a leading integrated online and offline platform for housing transactions and services, today released its 2023 Environmental, Social and Governance report (the "**2023 ESG report**"), highlighting Beike's commitment to sustainability under its corporate mission of "admirable service, joyful living," and the guiding principle of "being virtuous while seeking growth."

Mr. Stanley Yongdong Peng, Co-founder, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Beike, commented, "While we advance Beike's capabilities as a technology-driven one-stop platform for residential services, we are committed to our mission and social responsibility. These include providing joyful living for consumers, facilitating fulfilling careers for service providers and fostering a harmonious ecosystem that drives the industry forward and makes our organization even better."

Beike's 2023 ESG report details the Company's strategic application of ESG principles throughout its operations, covering initiatives in quality assurance, business ethics, talent development, low-carbon operations and community care. These efforts are designed to positively impact all Company stakeholders.

Highlights of Beike's 2023 ESG Achievements:

Service Quality Assurance

Beike continuously enhances service quality across its residential service offerings including housing transactions, home renovation and furnishing, and home rental services, refining its service commitment system to provide consumers with a better living experience. Notably, the Company has consistently maintained an authentic property listing rate above 95% for years. In home renovation and furnishing services, Beike ensures quality through establishing scientific management systems, refining transparent service standards, and strengthening the fundamental capabilities of construction delivery.

Building a Harmonious Ecosystem

Beike continues to strengthen its platform infrastructure, leading industry transformation in ecology governance and standards formulation. The Company has established an autonomous system in certain areas including the Store Owners Committee, the Regional Co-governance Council and the Beike Jury, to promote the co-governance with store owners and enhance the platform's ecosystem.

Professional Development for Service Providers

Beike supports its service providers with tailored vocational training programs and structured career paths, helping them advance from mere employment into professional roles that ultimately provide people with more fulfilling careers. The agents "Erudite" Professionalism Examination has been conducted for 13 consecutive years, accumulating over 2.8 million times of participation.

Empowering Services with Technology

Beike leverages cutting-edge technology to enhance service efficiency and consumer experiences. The Company applied AI assistants to offer empowerment training and business assistance to service providers, while tools like AIGC home design products and the AI Exhibition Hall helping bring consumers' visions of home to life.

Low Carbon Initiatives

Beike continuously focuses on the potential of technological applications for environmentally friendly and low-carbon advancements, exploring opportunities to offer green services across various business scenarios and processes. In addition to developing VR and AI technologies to reduce carbon emissions from traditional onsite property viewings, the Company promotes paperless operations in housing transactions, home renovation and furnishing, and home rental services. These efforts resulted in nearly 200 million sheets of paper saved and approximately 1,700 tonnes of carbon emissions reduced in 2023.

The Company's 2023 ESG report is available in both English and Chinese. To support environmental conservation, it is strongly recommended to use the electronic version, accessible on the Company's investor relations website at <https://investors.ke.com/governance/sustainability>.

About KE Holdings Inc.

KE Holdings Inc. is a leading integrated online and offline platform for housing transactions and services. The Company is a pioneer in building infrastructure and standards to reinvent how service providers and customers efficiently navigate and complete housing transactions and services in China, ranging from existing and new home sales, home rentals, to home renovation and furnishing, and other services. The Company owns and operates *Lianjia*, China's leading real estate brokerage brand and an integral part of its *Beike* platform. With more than 22 years of operating experience through *Lianjia* since its inception in 2001, the Company believes the success and proven track record of *Lianjia* pave the way for it to build its infrastructure and standards and drive the rapid and sustainable growth of Beike.

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