



HKICM Newsletter

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President's Message

Dear Members,

Following the Annual General Meeting held on 04 July 2003, your new General Council for 2003/2004 had been elected.

The marvelous achievements made by the Past Presidents of the Institute are obvious. The strong foundation laid down by previous Councilors provides a fertile ground for further advancements.

However, even when we are well equipped with the establishment of our forerunners, the already well-known tough economic condition of the HKSAR provides not an easy environment for the new Council. The disastrous property market hence the sinking jobs in construction exerts immense pressure to the industry. This is an inevitable reality that we together have to face.

It is anticipated that in the coming year we shall still see consolidation. Our policy will therefore be conservative. Yet we shall not compromise in our pursuit for construction excellence, which will continue to persist. We shall devote more of our efforts in strengthening the communications with members and in providing stronger trainings by means of CPD events.

Whatever conditions ahead, it is your valuable support, dear members, that drives us keep going on. May we progress with forbearance together with you.

Yours faithfully

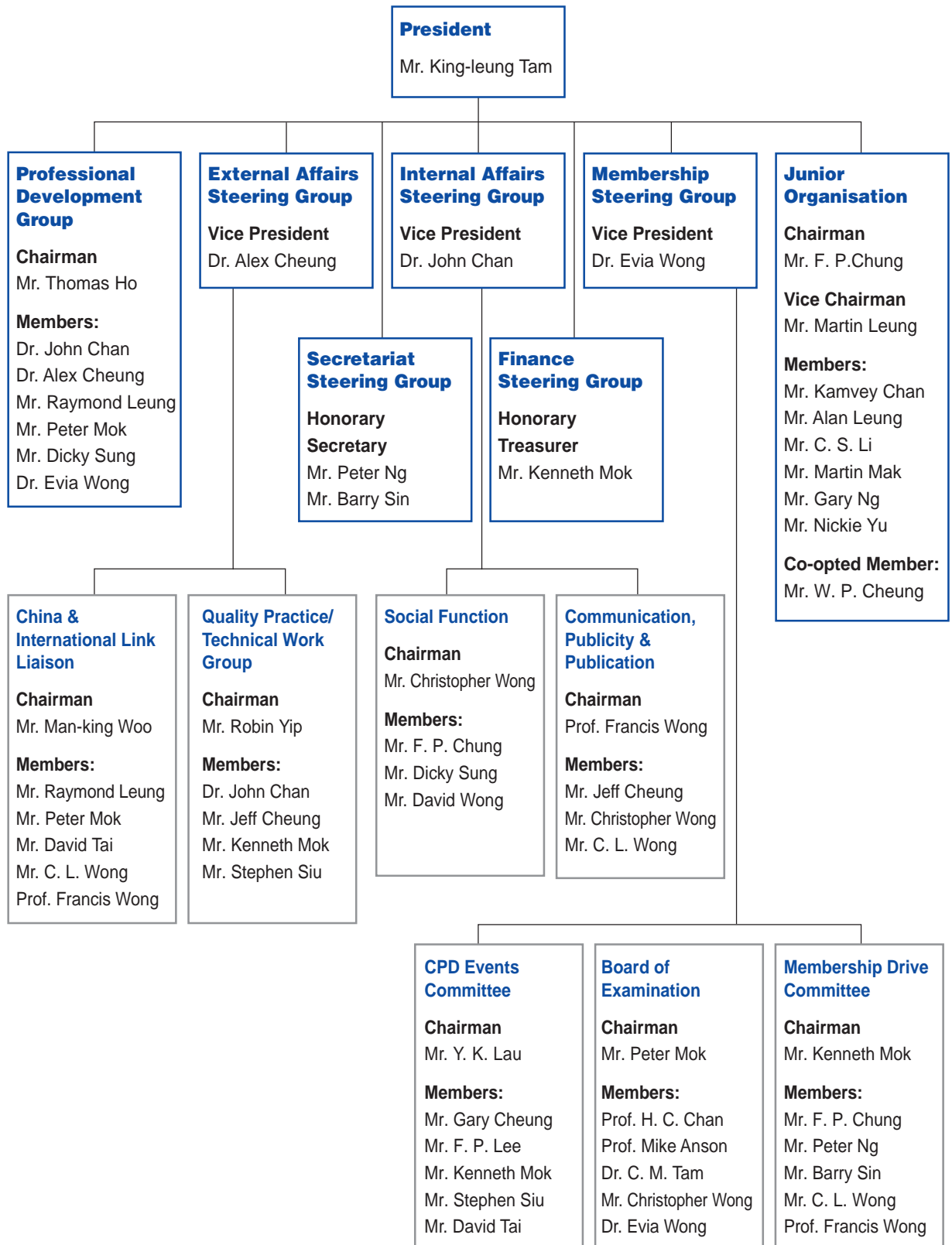
K. L. Tam
President
HKICM



Organisation Chart

Functional groups and committees were formed under the General Council to serve members of the Institute:

HKICM - Organization of Committees and Work Groups 2003/2004



Publications

There are new plans for the publishing of the literature of the Institute in Council Session 2003/2004.

The HKICM Newsletter, as you might be aware reading, had taken a simpler new form to become more informational.

The HKICM Journal, which releases academic papers, will be published twice every year. Professor Francis K. W. Wong of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University has kindly consented to take charge of this important assignment for the Institute. Contact the Professor or the Secretariat if you have Papers to contribute.

The Practice Notes for Construction Managers, which receives very positive feedback upon its first issue on Bamboo Scaffolding, will continue to be issued under the Quality Practice Work Group. The preparation for the next issue on Safety Management has been ignited which upon conclusion will hopefully be out by November.

Broader Recognition and Awareness of our Profession

Updates

The efforts of our Councils paid off through the recognition of HKICM members as Construction Managers for Maintenance and Improvement Contracts of the Housing Department and the favorable consideration of HKICM members by Arch SD for Site Agent for Arch SD contracts.

As part of our continuing endeavors, it was proposed to Mr. C M Leung, Permanent Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands that:

1. Corporate Members of HKICM be recognized as Construction Manager for New Works contracts.
2. Construction Supervisor members (CSM) of HKICM be recognized as Site Agent for New Works, Maintenance and Improvement Works contracts.

Mr. C. M. Leung has recently indicated serious consideration will be taken to incorporate the requirements for construction personnel as we suggested, when the Housing Authority reviews the New Works Contract specifications.

Taking the chance of the review of the Buildings Ordinance, the Institute has also initiated discussion with the Buildings Dept the possibility of including HKICM members into the Technical Memorandum as qualified TCPs for the Safety Supervision Plan.

Mainland Awareness of our Profession

In our Mainland, the legal status of Registered Constructors and Associate Constructors had been established with effect from 05 December 2002. The Institute is planning to visit Beijing to explore the feasibility of reciprocal recognition. The position of Project Managers for Grades Super, A and B classes of projects is replaced by the new registration system. Registered Constructors qualify for Super projects and Grade A class of projects; Associate Constructors qualify for Grade B class of projects. Project Managers may continue to practice under the existing system with a transitional period of 5 years until Feb 2008. Project Manager as a professional qualification will qualify only for Grades C class of projects from then on.

Quality Building Award

The Institute continues to take part in this very high profile event of the construction industry. Dr. Evia O. W. Wong our Vice-President and Mr. Barry W. N. Sin our Hon Secretary are representing the Institute sitting in the heavily committed Organising Committee for the 2004 Award.

The Elected Junior Organisation Committee

The JO Committee was officially elected following the election of the General Council at the AGM held on 04 July 2003 at the Secretariat Office. Listed here below are the names of the members of the Committee:

Chairman: Mr. Fook-ping Chung
 Vice-Chairman: Mr. Martin C. S. Leung
 CPD Convenor: Mr. Martin C. S. Leung
 Social Function Convenor: Mr. Martin C. C. Mak
 Promotions Convenor: Mr. C. S. Li
 Editorial Convenor: Mr. Nickie Yu
 Experience Sharing Network Convenor: Mr. Kamvey Chan

Members of all classes who are interested to join the various work groups are invited to join the JO. Please fill in the form below and return it to the Secretariat by fax or mail for onward processing.

Junior Organisation Committee Service Application Form	
Name	
Membership Class	
Membership Number	
Committee you choose to serve	
Contact Telephone Number (Mobile)	
E-mail Address	

Dinner Gathering cum JO Chinese Naming and Logo Quest Prize Presentation Ceremony

To mark the official establishment of the Junior Organisation and to provide opportunities for social acquaintance between all members of the Institute, a casual dinner gathering with games and dancing

facilities has been arranged. Taking the chance of this gathering a prize presentation ceremony to the winner of the JO Chinese Naming and Logo Quest is arranged.

Birth of the JO Chinese Name and Logo

At long-awaited last the Chinese name and Logo for the Junior Organisation is born...

The General Council had on its 1st Meeting of Session 2003/2004 selected the design of Mr. Martin Leung for the Logo of the Junior Organisation and also his proposed Chinese Name for the JO.

HKICM, the JO Logo and the JO Chinese Name 進營社 are incorporated into one united graphics. So here we are, the new born....



CPD Events Committee

Chairman: Mr. Yu-kwan Lau

Members: Mr. Gary K. S. Cheung
Mr. Fook-pui Lee
Mr. Kenneth H. W. Mok
Mr. Stephen K. Y. Siu
Mr. David S. H. Tai

Schedule of CPD Events for year 2003/2004

Date	Topic	Mode	Organized By
Sept 03 to June 04	Built Environment Symposia 2003/2004	Conference	SPACE, HKU/ HKICM + peer organisations
8 Oct 03	ISO9001:2000 Certification and Trench of Integrated Management System	Seminar	CPD Events Committee
18 Oct 03	Site Visit to Sai Wan Ho Residential Project of Henderson Land Development Co. Ltd	Site Visit	CPD Events Committee
Oct 03	Waterproofing and the latest development using nano technology	Seminar	CPD Events Committee
22 Oct 03	Year 2003 Conference on "Construction Services and Management"	Conference	MOC, China / ETWB, HK
13 Nov 03	Seminar on "Safety Management"	Seminar	CPD Events Committee
Dec 03	Design, Construction and Operation of a sewage treatment plant	Seminar	CPD Events Committee

Green Card Alert

Holders of our Membership Card who applied for use as Green Card please be reminded to attend Safety Seminars in order to be qualified for renewal as per the requirements of Labour Department.