



President's Message

It is my great honour to be re-elected as the President of Hong Kong Institute of Construction Managers (the Institute) at the Annual General Meeting held on 19 December 2013. I am very grateful to be working for another year with a team of enthusiastic construction management professionals. In this term of tenure, the Institute has actively recruited new members to the General Council and with increased number of Co-opted Members. The organizational structure of the Council has been strengthened by establishing and consolidating some of the committees as well.

In pursuance of our vision and objectives, the Institute had a good session of 2012-13 and I wish to convey my heartfelt thanks to the unfailing effort, support and achievements made by our Council and Committee Members. With the continual support from our members, I am confident that the Institute will have another great year to come. I have planned a number of initiatives for this tenure of office and beyond, including:-

1. To continue enhancing the professional, public image and social status of Construction Managers

- Launch the licensing of construction managers with the designation of R.C.M. under the Construction Manager Registration Regulations in the 2nd Quarter of 2014. This aims to enhance the professional status of our members who possesses of sound local experience and to increase the recognition of our profession in the eyes of the general public.
- Enhance the professional image of the Institute by promoting the professional services provided by our members under the Lists of Accredited Mediators, Expert Witnesses and Adjudicators, Qualified Persons under Mandatory Window Inspection Scheme and Unauthorized Building Works in New Territories Exempted Houses - Reporting Scheme.
- Set up a new Public Affairs Sub-Committee to formulate and share professional views and advices with construction stakeholders and the public on construction related issues with an aim at serving the community.
- Maintain close liaison with peer professional organizations, construction trade associations, local authorities and agents and other related organizations by participating in organized events and activities to widen our horizon.
- Serve the community with our professional expertise by encouraging members to participate in voluntary work and foster good relationship with communal organizations.
- Continue in pursuance of statutory professional recognition from the Hong Kong Government and our mainland counterparts.



2. To provide value-added services to our members

- Invite competent and experienced practitioners to provide more CPD events from construction technology, environmental and safety to construction management and contract management etc.
- Organize more training courses to embrace construction knowledge and elevate the expertise for Construction Supervisor Members, such as Construction Supervisor Technical Programme, Certificate in Construction Safety Supervisors Practice and more to come.
- Organize social gathering and events for members to exchange their views and interests.
- Further develop the Young Members Committee to cover University and VTC students and become platform for communications among young members through events and activities.
- Explore more channels to reach out members and actively seek their opinions on various issues, via website chat room, e-news and periodic newsletters etc.

3. To maintain a steady growth of membership

- Continue to explore ways and opportunity in mutual recognition with other professional Institution, and to promulgate the Institute in encouraging more construction professionals to join the Institute.
- Collaborate with education Institutes for having more presentations and career talks to introduce the Institute and construction management profession. Members are encouraged to participate and share their invaluable experience.

Looking ahead, I have no doubt there is a vast scope and opportunity for action and I appeal to your continual support in all aspects for the development of the Institute and our members.

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President
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