

President's Message



Dear Members,

Thank you for tuning in to another edition of our quarterly newsletter! This should be my last president's message in the "Construction Voice" as I will turn the page and hand-off the HKICM presidency baton in December this year. Our General Council had been continuously hard at work on events and activities during the past 3 months which I am pleased to report those major ones as follow:

Media Interview

I was invited to participate in the NowTV NEWS television program: "News Magazine" regarding the discussion on whether "Terms of Reference" of the Commission of Inquiry set up to investigate the diaphragm wall and platform slab construction works at the Hung Hom Station Extension under the Shatin to Central Link Project were adequate with other guests on 11 July 2018.

Memorandum of Understanding with AIB

We are pleased to announce that an agreement was reached to renew the existing Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on collaboration between HKICM and AIB (Australian Institute of Building) for another 2 years. A signing ceremony was held on 13 July 2018 during Mr. Norman FAIFER, AIB Overseas Chapter President's visit to Hong Kong. Under the MoU, HKICM members are eligible to join AIB membership via AIB's "Direct Entry Program for HKICM Members".

HKIC - First Outstanding Alumni Award

The Hong Kong Institute of Construction (HKIC) First Outstanding Alumni Award presentation ceremony was held on 14 July 2018 and I have attended the ceremony as a guest representing

the Institute as well as the nominator of two of the award recipients. The Institute is delighted to send our congratulations to the following Council and Co-opted Members: Cr Dick LI, Cr Terence MANG, Cr Tony FOK and Cr Henry NG, who have won the award in recognizing their outstanding achievements, services and significant contribution to the construction industry

Young Lo Pan Award 2018

Same as previous years, we are pleased to be one of the co-organizer of “Young Lo Pan Award 2018” organized by Hong Kong Kwong Yuet Tong, which aims to recognize young talents with outstanding performance and dedication in the construction industry, as well as to encourage more potential young people to join and ultimately contribute to the booming construction industry. An award presentation ceremony was successfully held on 25 Jul 2018 at the Lo Pan Temple, which is located at Ching Lin Terrace, Kennedy Town.

Courtesy Visit to HKSTPC

To enhance mutual communication, exchange views and share experience on best practices of construction management in Hong Kong, we have paid a courtesy visit to the Hong Kong Science & Technology Parks Corporation (HKSTPC) and met with Mr. Simon WONG (Chief Project Development Officer) and his project development management team at HKSTPC Head Office on 31 August 2018.

Construction Management Awards 2018

For Construction Management Awards (CMA) 2018, upon closing of the nominations on 29 June 2018, first screening of all the entries by OC members were completed on 27 July 2018 while second screening and presentation to Jury Panel was successfully held on 7 September 2018. Results of the finalists will be announced in early October 2018 while the awards presentation ceremony to be held during HKICM 21st Anniversary Dinner at the Ballroom of JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong on 16 November 2018.

Delegation Visit to Beijing

We paid a courtesy visit to Beijing from 12 to 14 September 2018. During the visit, the delegation met with the leaders and officials of its mainland counterparts, China Construction Industry Association and its Constructor Committee, representatives from Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development as well as other relevant national ministries and offices. The purposes of the visits were to understand relevant mainland policies and regulations, to foster a closer working relationship and seek further co-operation opportunities in enhancing the development of construction management profession between Hong Kong and Mainland, and

to explore the possibilities and ways to implement the mutual recognition of professional qualifications of Constructors in China and Construction Managers in Hong Kong.

Voluntary Services

The Institute, in response to the appeal of Home Affairs Department, has co-operated with Shatin District Office to form a professional voluntary services team to assist in removing fallen trees, refuse and obstructive objects on roads left behind by the super typhoon Mangkhut over the weekend of 22 & 23 September 2018.

New Honorary Fellow - Ir HON Chi-keung, GBS, JP

We are delighted to announce that nomination of Ir HON Chi-keung, GBS, JP, for election to Honorary Fellowship was unanimously passed in an Extraordinary General Meeting held on 3 October 2018. Congratulations!

Exciting upcoming events

There are two exciting upcoming events to be held during the remaining of the council session, including: (i) HKICM 21st Anniversary Dinner cum CMA 2018 Presentation Ceremony at the Ballroom of JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong on 16 November 2018; and (ii) HKICM 22nd Annual General Meeting on 12 December 2018.

Thank You

Taking this opportunity, I would like to thank the Past Presidents, Council and Committee Members for their hard work and dedication. It is with great confidence that I will turn over the baton to capable hands of the next President in the coming December. Lastly, I believe the Institute is well positioned to continue to deliver on its mission and, ultimately, leading our profession and members to succeed.

Best Regards,



Cr TANG Chi-wang

President

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