

## President's Message



Dear Members,

It is indeed my privilege and great honour to be elected as the President of Hong Kong Institute of Construction Managers (HKICM) for the Council Session 2018/19 at the AGM held on 12th December 2018. However I would not underestimate the expectations and challenges ahead, especially after the remarkable two years under the great leadership of my predecessor Cr TANG Chi-wang.

Take this opportunity, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Immediate Past President, Cr TANG for his great leadership and all his dedicated council and co-opted members as well as the enthusiastic support by our members, an array of memorable events and activities had been successfully delivered in the past two years.



The Institute has always been striving to pursue excellence in construction management, raising the professional status of members and serving the construction industry over the past years. In the coming year, the new Council and I will mainly focus on the following special tasks in addition to our routine duties:

1. To maintain a steady growth of membership through a comprehensive membership drive campaign to attract more construction practitioners to join as corporate members and to encourage existing non-corporate members to upgrade their membership via streamlined procedures.
2. To uphold professional integrity and standards by enhancing the core competence of our members, more structured CPD seminars and training, such as the training course series in construction management practices will be organised.
3. To further expand our involvement in the consultation process of Government policy-making to provide feedbacks to the Government in relation to policies and legislations which relate particularly to the built environment.
4. To maintain continuous communications with the appropriate government departments, public authorities and peer professional institutes in Hong Kong, Macau and Mainland China through courtesy visits, lunch or dinner meetings and casual gatherings.
5. To strengthen the connection with other overseas professional institutes in order to gain recognition of HKICM professional qualification via the proposed formation of an international association of national organizations representing construction professionals in the Asia and Western Pacific region.
6. To assist in nurturing the next generation via participation as course advisory committee or panel members of universities and educational institutions as well as acting as mentors and industrial advisers to provide guidance and assistance to students of construction management and supervisory courses.
7. To further develop the Young Members Committee to conduct promotional and career talks to students of universities, vocational and other educational institutions as well as secondary schools. In addition, briefings on introducing HKICM and construction management profession will also be delivered to construction personnel of major construction companies.
8. To encourage our members to serve the community by involving more actively in community and voluntary services. This is very important in promoting our profession and enhancing our professional image among the general public.
9. To continue to steer partnerships with different professional organizations in mainland China. This will facilitate HKICM development in Greater China under the CEPA as 'Belt and Road' and 'Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area' Initiatives have opened up many opportunities for construction professionals.
10. To continue in pursuance of statutory professional recognition from the Hong Kong Government and to seek mutual recognition of professional qualifications of construction professionals in China and Hong Kong.

With the tremendous effort of a group of enthusiastic and devoted incoming council members who are instrumental to lead the different committees and taskforce as well as the unfailing support from our members, I am confident that our Institute will continue to prosper and maintain our progressive and sustainable development to face the challenges ahead.

Lastly, on behalf of HKICM, I would like to wish you all a Very Happy and Prosperous Year of the Pig and Kung Hei Fat Choy!

With Warmest Regards,



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HKICM President 2018/19  
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