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From the Editor 編者話

At the time of writing, the Beijing Olympics, Paralympics and 2008 Legislative Council Election were all finished successfully. Surveyors have been actively participating in these important events that are closely related to all walks of life. Related news can be found in the August and September issues of *Surveyors Times*.

To emphasize the expertise of our Planning and Development (PD) Surveyors, the scene of Hong Kong's old town development, small town development and tourist spots development are specially used as the front cover of this issue. Readers can recognize the contributions of PD Surveyors in Property Development and Town Planning. With the surveying profession exerting the expertise in this aspect, Hong Kong can keep enhancing her international status in order to support the sustainable development of our country.

In order to help the reconstruction of the devastated areas in Sichuan, the General Council has agreed to join "The Hong Kong Construction Sector 5.12 Reconstruction Joint Conference" led by the Development Bureau of the HKSAR Government. The President in his message encourages members to assist in the earthquake aftermath reconstruction works. We believe members' knowledge can make contribution to expedite the recovery of Sichuan from the disaster.

Please stay tuned to *Surveyors Times*. It is your handy companion.

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執筆之時，北京奧運會，殘奧會及2008立法會選舉都經已圓滿結束。測量師積極參與這些與社會各界息息相關的重要活動。有關報導已在八月及九月份**測量師時代**刊出。

為突顯規劃及發展測量師的專業知識，今期測量師時代封面特別展視香港舊區發展、小區發展、旅遊區發展等圖片。從而讀者可感受到規劃及發展測量師為物業發展及城市規劃所作出的貢獻。測量專業在此發揮所長，使香港不斷提升在國際上的地位，就是支持國家持續發展重要的原素。

為幫助四川受災地區的重建工作，理事會經已同意參與由發展局及建造界早前自發成立的「香港建造界5·12重建工程聯席會議」。會長透過會長的話鼓勵會員登記成為義工幫助重建工作，貢獻測量專業的所長。

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1,241 Expectations

The 2008 Legislative Council (Legco) Election was held successfully on 7 September 2008. A total of five candidates, including myself, competed for one seat in the Architectural, Surveying and Planning Functional Constituency. Of the total of 3,834 votes, Hon. Patrick Lau received 1,429 votes and became the Legco Member of our functional constituency for the coming 4 years. The number of votes received by me was 1,241, representing 1,241 expectations from my supporters. The results for the Architectural, Surveying and Planning Functional Constituency are as follows:-

No.	Candidate	Number of Votes
G1	Yu Kam-hung	1,241
G2	Steve Chan	383
G3	Patrick Lau	1,429
G4	David Chan	69
G5	Stanley Ng	712

Running for the Legco Election was a milestone in my life. It was a memorable experience and I will definitely benefit from it for the rest of my life. Thanks to all my supporters who spared their personal time and backed me throughout the process. I shall continue to strive for the advancement of the institution in future.

I would like to take this opportunity to say 'thank you' to the other four candidates: Steve Chan, Patrick Lau, David Chan and Stanley Ng. They are all respected in their fields, professionally and ethically. They inspired me a lot. Congratulations to Hon. Patrick Lau on his success. I am confident that he will perform well as a Legco Member.

Special thanks are due to those who sent me e-mails of encouragement. Although I was not elected, I will continue to

work towards my promise: the unification of professions, broadening of developments and the betterment of Hong Kong. Below are some e-mails from my supporters:-

"Don't worry. You gave it your best shot and that is all we can expect of you. As we discussed, the experience gained will be invaluable for the future."

"I went to vote before I jumped on a plane back to Beijing, but still we lost by less than 200, which is a pity. Hope to see you soon in Beijing or in HK."

"Support you, YSG, HKIS and Surveyors."

"It is a pity that you were only short of some 188 votes, out of 1,241. Anyway you must be exhausted, so do get some rest before returning to work. My full support to you always."

"My commiserations! Let us as a profession put more pressure on Patrick Lau to do more for surveyors!"

"I am just one of those in the trade and I don't think you know who I am. May I express my great appreciation to you for the whole exercise. I am really impressed by your bravery in speaking for us, and striking for us. Thank you. p.s. I like the turtle signature in your flyers. Cheers."

"I was sad to hear the news yesterday. I know I may not be in a right/qualified position to give comment/encourage you, but please don't be discouraged. I believe you can work even better in your surveying profession! Thanks for striving for a position in the Legco."

"Community can be served in many ways. Keep your spirits up."

"You have done a great job in the election already. Although you did not win the election finally, you are a winner in our mind and have demonstrated leadership skill. Keep going and come back in four years' time and regain what should

*be yours! (from Mr Paul Chan of the Accounting sector!)
I wish you all the best!"*

"Congratulations on a very creditable performance and a very close result. All surveyors in Hong Kong will be very proud of your performance at these elections, which are so important to our democratic political development."

Sichuan Reconstruction Work

The 5.12 Sichuan Earthquake has caused great casualties to the province in terms of both human lives and properties. According to the information announced by the State Council of the PRC on 25 August 2008, 69,226 people died, 374,643 were injured and 17,923 people were lost in the earthquake. Various efforts have been initiated by different organisations, public and private, to restore normal lives to the victims.

In order to contribute to the reconstruction of Sichuan, HKIS joined "The Hong Kong Construction Sector 5.12 Reconstruction Joint Conference", led by the Development Bureau of the HKSAR Government. Other non-government organisations, such as The Hong Kong Institute of Architects (HKIA), The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors (HKIS), The Hong Kong Institute of Planners (HKIP) and The Hong Kong Institute of Landscape Architects (HKILA), also joined the Joint Conference.

At the second meeting of the Joint Conference held on 12 August, two projects were proposed to take forward to the reconstruction in Sichuan:

1. Project Working Group for Reconstruction of Provincial Highway 303
2. Project Working Group for Reconstruction of Wolong Natural Reserve

The reconstruction of Provincial Highway 303 is crucial as it is an artery road connecting Wolong Town to other main towns in Wenchuan County. Its extension also leads to Chengdu City, the capital city of Sichuan Province. It is important for the logistics of food and other resources from other parts of the province to reach the town. For Wolong Town, it is the natural habitat of the giant panda. The reconstruction of Wolong Natural Reserve will restore the natural environment and prevent the potential extinction of the panda. The management facilities, community facilities and infrastructures will be rebuilt.

Volunteers would need to spend seven to ten days in Sichuan to participate in one of the projects above. Members of our institution demonstrated their great concern on the matter and expressed their sympathy towards the victims. So far we have received over 100 replies. In the capacity of the President of HKIS, I strongly encourage our members to enrol in the recon-

struction work, as the reconstruction of the devastated areas requires great input of knowledge from professionals like us.

As appointed by the Executive Committee, I am the Convener for the Sichuan relief work in HKIS. I will act as liaison with the HKSAR Government regarding the further arrangement of the reconstruction work and convey the latest progress to the HKIS volunteers.

Promotion Committee

In order to promote the professional image and services of HKIS, a Promotion Committee was proposed by the Executive Committee, which will comprise one to two representatives from each division including YSG.

The Executive Committee also recommended the President to be the Chairman for a term of two years, subject to the approval of the General Council. Terms of reference are to be confirmed later. The preliminary list of committee members has been drafted and the final list will be announced next month.

After the formation of the Promotion Committee, the capability statements of each division will be revised for more up-to-date information and clearer scope of services. The Committee will also visit various government and non-government organisations to promote the changing role of surveyors in the society, the future development of our profession and identify potential co-operation opportunities.

My Recent Activities

I am glad to share with you the following remarkable events in August and September:

- On 12 August, I attended the 5.12 Reconstruction Joint Conference at Central Government Offices;
- On 14 August, I met and exchanged opinions with a group of real estate professionals from Guangdong Institute of Real Estate Appraisers and Real Estate Agents. The meeting was housed at CBRE Hong Kong Office;
- On 10 September, I was invited to the Financial Secretary's Consultation at Central Government Offices;
- On 12 September, I was invited to be one of the guests for the DTZ Scholarship Presentation Ceremony at DTZ offices in Jardine House, Central;
- On 19 September, I had lunch with Professor Chen Zuyu. Professor Chen is a renowned expert in water resources and hydro power.

Best regards,
Kam-hung

HKIS Sports and Recreation Committee Inaugural Dinner cum 1st Sports Night 2008

5 September 2008, Royal Pacific Hotel

Honorable Guests



Representatives from:-

- Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- Hong Kong Dental Association
- Hong Kong Medical Association
- Law Society of Hong Kong
- Hong Kong Institute of Planners

Participants - Various Team Members

- Badminton
- Basketball
- Bowling
- Dragon Boat
- Golf
- Marathon & Running
- Sailing
- Snooker
- Soccer
- Swimming
- Table Tennis
- Tennis
- Singing

Convenor

Lesly LAM

Organising Committee

Lesly Lam, Carmen Wong, Michelle Chung,
Arthur Cheung, Jo Lau and Cyrus Siu

If you are interested to join our sports teams, please contact Lesly LAM at lesly.lam@gmail.com, Carmen WONG at carmen.wkm@gmail.com or Donna YU at cpd@hkis.org.hk.



Snooker Team



MVP of Golf



Soccer Team



Golf Team



Young Surveyors Group



Badminton Team



Singing Team



Table Tennis Team



MVP of Badminton



Dragon Boat Team



Tennis Team



ISPRS2008 Beijing 3-11 July 2008



The XXI Congress of the International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing



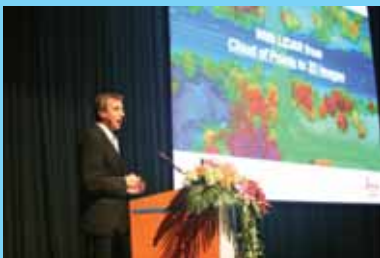
Silk Road for Information from Imagery

Reported by T N Wong
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Plenary Sessions

Many prominent speakers shared their experience to a full house of participants on the latest technological development and important works towards a better living world using Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing.

Mr Jos Achache of GEO spoke on "Co-operation to Build a Global Earth Observation System of Systems (GEOSS)." An initiative of GEO an intergovernmental organisation with 74 members and 51 participating organisations to work out a co-ordinated and sustained observation systems to provide easier and more open access to data.



Mr Jos Achache of GEO



Full house Plenary Sessions

Dr Juergen Dold of Leica Geosystems described the evolution of LIDAR systems in the geospatial and surveying market as an important step towards improving the accuracy of image data acquisition with lesser cost.

The Wenchuan Earthquake Zone

Before earthquake After earthquake

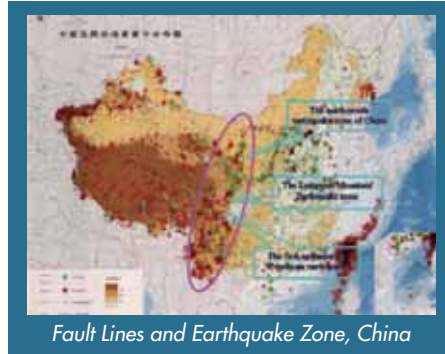


Rescue work

Clearing up



Prof Li Deren
Wuhan University



Fault Lines and Earthquake Zone, China

Professor Li Deren of Wuhan University, reported on the role of spatial information in the rapid emergency response to the Wenchuan earthquake. He described how photogrammetry,

remote sensing and spatial information technologies were applied to disaster response operations including the coordination of rescue efforts, combating secondary disaster, damage assessment and reconstruction.

Rapid data acquisition and information services using fully automatic, near real-time remote sensing systems without ground control had enabled a faster rate in search, rescue work and disaster relief.

It is important to develop a national level rapid response system that can collaborate work by different agencies and facilitate data and resource sharing. This requires the further development of China's National Spatial Data Infrastructure and the enhancement of high-resolution earth observation systems through strong international co-operation in spatial information science and technology. The International Charter and GEOSS from GEO represent an excellent beginning.

Technical Sessions

All technical sessions were well attended. Out of more than 2,800 abstracts submitted, 2,600 technical presentations were selected and presented. This had demonstrated the keen interests of all the participants in the works of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing.

Since there were such a large number of technical presentations it would be difficult to give a detailed account of the contents. It would be appropriate to summarise, categorise and report them according to the relevant works of each of the eight Technical Commissions.



Technical Sessions in progress

Technical Commission I reported on Image Data Acquisition - Sensors and Platforms

About 100 oral papers and 200 poster papers are related to SAR and LiDAR systems (this shows the increasing interest in these techniques). The showcase of the LiDAR systems was its improved accuracy by a factor of four and the time saved, and hence saved cost by a factor of ten. The systems have become more portable and versatile.

Technical Commission II reported on Theory and Concepts of Spatio-Temporal Data Handling and Information

TCII addresses major issues in geo-information science. These include spatio-temporal modelling, spatial reasoning, analysis and data mining, multiple representations, visualisation, spatial decision support, system integration and interoperability, quality and uncertainty of spatial data and models, and 3D and dynamic data handling.

Though 3D visualisation is becoming more common there are many issues and challenges, namely quality propagation through spatial analysis, spatial decision support with highly complex data, interoperability of heterogeneous systems and geo-sensor networks.

The penetration of GIS technology in an increasing number of areas leads us to believe we need more theory on spatial modelling, interoperability and visualisation. This is evident from the tremendous rise of services like Google Earth and Microsoft Virtual World. These services have a widespread impact on society and the way we deal with spatial information.

Technical Commission III deals with Photogrammetric Computer Vision and Image Analysis

Automation of close range bundle adjustments, where only control points require manual interaction, was developed. The generation of highly detailed surface models constructed from images has advanced to a point where images are becoming an interesting alternative to LiDAR.

The direct access to 3D information from LiDAR systems has triggered a large amount of research, including research into increased morphological quality for digital elevation models, ease of 3D-reconstruction for large build-up areas, and detailed analysis of forest areas.

Information density can be increased by the availability of intensity and waveform, enabling more detailed classifications. Also, the interpretation of aerial and terrestrial images successfully grasped techniques from pattern

recognition and machine learning, especially for the modeling of road networks and facade structures.

The analysis of video sequences is becoming a hot topic, especially for the highly challenging and relevant task of so-called 'simultaneous localisation and mapping', both from the ground and air, using UAVs.

Technical Commission IV deals with Geodatabases and Digital Mapping

The acquisition, organisation, analysis, visualization, modelling and dissemination of geospatial information had been made easy by the advancement and development of space, geospatial, computing and communication technologies.

These geospatial information had been used effectively for natural resource management, environmental and ecosystem protection, disaster management and climate modeling.

Rescue and relief operations rely on the collection, integration and analysis of data - including 3D data.

The recent availability of high resolution stereo data from aerial and satellite platforms has revolutionised data acquisition and provided an opportunity to develop techniques for automatic data extraction. Image databases with high temporal resolution are expanding, especially for ocean applications.

Developments in visualisation allow us to display landscapes and seascapes virtually, and to depict both global and local processes. The use of GIS to access, analyse and disseminate spatial data has enhanced web-based services. Web GIS allows us to more efficiently manage massive distributed computing/storage resources. Open-source software provides new, cost-effective solutions to web-based geospatial information and services.

Technical Commission V deals with Imaging and Laser Scanning Techniques

Imaging and laser scanning techniques are used in industrial and engineering metrology, cultural heritage documentation, virtual reality 3D data acquisition, robotics, 3D motion analysis, quantitative medical imaging, biometry, and many more.

A central issue in many developments is the integration of sensor technology with reliable data processing schemes to generate precise and highly automated online or real-time photogrammetric 3D measurement systems.

Technical Commission VI deals with Education and Outreach

TC VI deals with educational matters related to photogrammetry, remote sensing and the spatial information sciences. The technological advancements in these three fields are numerous.

Internet-based information services such as Google Earth and car navigation are widely used by the public today. More technical and educational training are needed for the growth in interest in these applications.

Education and training are no longer restricted to a few years of university. Rapid advancements in technology have increased the importance of lifelong education in our fields. The internet and e-learning play significant roles in lifelong education. Despite the growing availability of educational materials and e-learning courses, it is not easy for beginners and students to find appropriate educational materials. Promoting online information to the public will help to widen recognition and acceptance of e-learning material. A number of sessions on capacity building were presented.

Technical Commission VII deals with Thematic Processing, Modelling and Analysis of Remotely Sensed Data

Highlights of presentation included the following topics:-

1. Rapid developments in SAR remote sensing data sources, such as the high resolution RADARSAT-2 from Canada, the COSMO-SkyMed SAR satellite from Italy (the highest SAR spatial resolution system in the world, providing detailed images of the earth under all weather conditions), and the German TerraSAR.

The launch of these satellites has driven much research in image and data fusion methodologies. The recent Sichuan earthquake is a good example of how SAR data, along with other data sources, can be used to greatly assist relief efforts in difficult terrain and adverse weather conditions.

2. Fundamental physics to enable a better understanding of the geophysical parameters which influence the signals recorded by remote sensing sensors.
3. New image processing algorithms and analysis techniques which show that rapid progress has been made in image classification methods, going from traditional/

conventional pixel-based techniques to advanced context-based and texture-based classification procedures.

4. Other important presentations cover change detection methods.

Technical Commission VIII deals with Remote Sensing Applications and Policies

Remote sensing is the science used to carry out acquisition of information about properties of objects or phenomena without physical contact.

Space-borne satellites are used to capture data for Earth observation. Each new satellite will serve as a platform for a new scanning observation system; each new system will manifest progressively better resolutions, both spectral and geometrical.

The old days of capturing the moment on black and white or colour film are long gone. Now data are collected digitally by dividing the captured scene into a mesh of small equal-size picture elements known as pixels.

TC VIII focused on many remote sensing applications namely impact analysis of human settlement; hazards and disasters; public health; air pollution; coastal zone management; polar, alpine and cryogenic research; land degradation; desertification and arid lands. It also deals with issues related to management of tropical zones; policies, treaties and data access; water security; precision agriculture; sustainable forest; landscape management; geological mapping and geomorphology.

HKIS 25th Anniversary

The HKIS will be celebrating its Silver Jubilee in 2009 on 26 April. An organising committee was formed early in the year with Vice President Stephen Yip appointed as committee chairman. Since its formation, the organising committee comprising representatives from all the divisions and YSG have worked hard to come up with a programme of events to celebrate this special occasion. Events lined up include a Spring Reception, Silver Jubilee Party, Jubilee Cup Horse Race, Annual Conference, Exhibition and many more. Watch out for further announcement of events in the **Surveyors Times** and on the HKIS website at www.hkis.org.hk.

HKIS Annual Dinner 2008

3 November 2008

The Institute is delighted to have invited the Honourable Donald TSANG Yam-kuen, GBM, JP, Chief Executive of the Government of the HKSAR as the Guest of Honour at this year's Annual Dinner on 3 November 2008 at the Grand Hyatt Ballroom.

The programme for the evening will include the launching of the programme for the HKIS 25th Anniversary celebrations.

Tables and tickets are still available. If you don't wish to miss out on this major annual event of the Institute please book early. To make a reservation, please complete the reservation form on page 19 and return to the Secretariat Office.

HKIS is inviting sponsorship for the event. For details of the sponsorship packages available, please visit the HKIS website at www.hkis.org.hk.

Sports and Recreation Committee HKIS Snooker Team

Team Captain: Willie TANG

The Snooker team captain would like to invite you to join the HKIS Snooker Team. On each Saturday, the team will have a training session from 2pm to 6pm at Prince Edward 皇雀會. Please refer to the following map for reference. If you would like to join the practice, please register with the HKIS office at 2526 3679 (Ms Donna YU) or Mr Willie TANG at 2690 3187 at least two days in advance for arrangement.



Council members reaching out

5 September 2008

Sports and Recreational Committee Inaugural Dinner organised by the HKIS

Mr Stephen Yip, Mr Ben Chong, Prof Barnabas Chung
Mr Joseph Wong

6 September 2008

China Construction Industry Association & Hong Kong Institute Construction Managers Co-operation Agreement Signing Ceremony & Joint Conference with Mainland Constructors
Mr Ben Chong

Law Society of Hong Kong - Recreation and Sports Dinner 2008

Mr Lesly Lam

10 September 2008

Consultation with the Financial Secretary of the Government of HKSAR organised by the Hong Kong Coalition of Professional Service

Mr Yu Kam Hung, Mr Stephen Liu

11 September 2008

Certificate Presentation Ceremony of Quality Water Recognition Scheme for Building organised by Water Supplies Department

Mr Vincent Ho

12 September 2008

DTZ Scholarship Presentation Ceremony
Dr Lawrence Poon

17 September 2008

Ngee Ann Polytechnic, Singapore, visit to HKIS
Dr Lam Kwok Wing, Mr Raymond W K Chan

《市區重建策略》聚焦小組討論 organised by 世聯顧問有限公司

Mr Raymond Y M Chan, Mr Gary Yeung

23 September 2008

The National Day Celebration Dinner of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Society of Chinese Accountants and Auditors

Mr Yu Kam Hung

24 September 2008

Cocktails after the Annual General Meeting of the Hong Kong Contractors' Association

Mr Yu Kam Hung

Annual Dinner

Monday 3 November 2008

Guest of Honour
The Hon Donald Tsang, GBM JP
Chief Executive
The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

The Grand Ballroom
Grand Hyatt Hong Kong
1 Harbour Road, Hong Kong

Reception: 6:00 pm
Dinner : 7:00 pm
Dress : Black tie

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- 11 If you have not received any reply from our Institute within 7 days of the event, you may call HKIS at 2526 3679 to check the progress of your reservation.



CPD/YSG/2008082

Development and Benefits of the HKCA Domestic Sub-contract

Speaker Mr Peter J. Berry

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Monday 6 October 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details Peter Berry is a qualified Quantity Surveyor for near 50 years. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and a Mediator accredited by the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre. He joined Hong Kong Government Architectural Office, Q.S. Branch in 1966 and became Architectural Office's Contract Adviser for ten years, when promoted to look after claims and eventually to advise on the review of Hong Kong Government's standard forms of contract and various technical circulars including the arbitration and mediation "rules" for Government construction contracts. Mr. Berry was the Principal Assistant Secretary in the Works Branch (now Bureau) chairing the Conditions of Contract Committee and was involved in the drafting of the domestic sub-contract form used in conjunction with Architectural Services Department contracts.

After retirement, he assisted with various contractual disputes in the both Government and non-Government environments, he has helped Hong Kong Construction Association as their consultant on construction and contractual policy matters including the new Standard Form of Building Contract 2005 (in conjunction with the HKIA, HKIS and HKICM) and in preparing the accompanying Guidance Note.

The talk will cover the reasons that lead to the development of the HKCA domestic sub-contract, its use and benefits.

Language	English	Fee	HK\$100 per person; HK\$150 per person for non-member; HK\$20 walk in surcharge for all pricings listed
Deadline	22 September 2008	Priority	First-come-first-served

CPD/QSD/2008086

Air-cooled vs. Water-cooled Air-conditioning: Which better in value?

Speaker Mr Kenny Chan, he was qualified in BS, QS, PFM as a Chartered Surveyor, Chartered Builder, Registered Professional Surveyor and Certified Facility Manager; with over thirty years experience in the property, construction and management fields; offering professional services in Property Development, Project & Construction Management, Facilities/Property and Maintenance Management, Building and Quantity Surveying for various organizations and projects. Kenny has been providing quality education, program management and applied research in City University of HK.

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Friday 10 October 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details There has been dilemma in adopting air-cooled or water-cooled air-conditioning system at various times for different developments in Hong Kong, with strong influences by the local government. Fresh water has been a scarce resource as a cooling media. In recent years, fresh water or sea water was advocated as an effective cooling media in the condenser units. While such water-cooled air-conditioning system would involve less energy than that of air-cooled system, it may render potential danger and liabilities to environment/end users if not adequately designed and maintained. Detail studies were conducted for these respective air-conditioning systems, aiming to achieve more sustainable green design, reducing energy consumption whilst comparing the cost implications; with pros and cons.

Language	English	Fee	HK\$120 per person
Deadline	3 October 2008	Priority	QSD Members

CPD/GP/2008078

Hong Kong Property Law Update

Speakers Mr Alexander Leung, Partner, S.H. Leung & Co.
Ms Melissa Pang, Partner, Pang & Associates

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Tuesday 14 October 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details To a lot of people, property is their major asset in their life. Protection of their interest is core to the stability of the society. Meanwhile, conveyancing system in Hong Kong is one complicated area. A lot of issues have to be care of to avoid future dispute.

Mr Leung and Ms Pang will update us on the latest property law with case studies and share their experience.

Language	English	Fee	HK\$120 per person HK\$150 per person for walk-in participants (if seats are still available)
Deadline	30 September 2008	Priority	GPD Members

CPD/BSR/2008088

Search and Rescue under Collapsed Buildings

- An Experience Sharing by the HKSAR Search and Rescue Team deployed to Sichuan for earthquake rescue operation

Joint HKIS BSD/RICS CPD Event

Speaker Mr TAM Tai-keung, FSD Senior Divisional Officer and Commander of HKSAR Search and Rescue Team

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Wednesday 15 October 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details Following the major earthquake at Sichuan on 12 May 2008, the HKSAR Government immediately deployed a Search and Rescue Team to assist the Mainland authority in rescue work. The 43-member Search and Rescue Team, led by Mr TAM Tai-keung, Senior Divisional Officer of Fire Services Department, included 34 firemen, 6 ambulancemen, a medial officer, a registered nurse and an information officer. The Team flew to Chengdu in two batches on May 15 and 16 and were assigned to carry out search and rescue work at Hanwang in Mianzhu, one of the most devastated areas. The Team recovered 24 bodies from the rubble of a collapsed office building and factory plants in the vicinity, and assisted the PRC Army finding a woman survivor trapped under a collapsed building.

Mr T K Tam will share his search and rescue experience under collapsed buildings in Sichuan.

Language	Cantonese supplemented by English	Fee	HK\$120 per person for HKIS & RICS member HK\$150 per person for non-HKIS/RICS member or walk-in participants (subject to availability)
Deadline	3 October 2008	Priority	first-come-first-served

CPD/QSD/2008083

QS Role in Infrastructure Projects

Facilitator/Speaker Mr TT Cheung BSc(QS)(Hons), MSc(Arch), FHKIS, FRICS, RPS(QS), Accredited Mediator. TT is the past President of the HKIS and is currently a member of the Construction Industry Council representing the surveying profession.

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Thursday 16 October 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details As a tradition, estimating, preparation of tender documents, tender analysis, contract documentation, valuation and variation, and all quantity surveying related works of infrastructure projects are always handled by civil engineers notwithstanding that majority of these works are actually handled by quantity surveyors under the supervision of civil engineers. In the building works, the traditional role of handling these works by architects had been changed to become the role of quantity surveyors, and the Government and Private Forms of Building Contract were changed to recognize such QS role. However, in the infrastructure works, such QS role is still with the civil engineers as stated in the Government Form of Civil Engineering Works.

In this forum, TT Cheung, being the past president of HKIS and a current CIC member representing the surveying profession will give a brief introduction on the current system of QS role in infrastructure works and explain the deficiency of the current system and the ways HKIS sees it fit. TT will also give a brief recap on what HKIS had done to promote the independent role of QS in infrastructure works and its results as of today. Comments and ideas from the participants will be invited for the way forward that they would like to see HKIS should do.

Language	Cantonese supplemented by English	Fee	Free of Charge
Deadline	10 October 2008	Priority	HKIS Members and non-Members are welcomed

CPD/HKIS/2008073

從廊屋到騎樓 - 戰前華南民居的演變

From Lang Wu to Qi Lou : The Evolution of Pre-war Southern Chinese Vernacular Houses

Joint CPD Lecture Series on Building Typology co-sponsored by the Architectural Conservation Programme of The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Institute of Architects and Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors.

Speaker Professor Siu Kwok-kin is a Professor in the Department of Chinese Literature at Chu Hai College, an Honorary Adviser of the Hong Kong Museum of History and an Honorary Researcher of the Royal Asiatic Society (HK Branch). Professor Siu is also a Visiting Lecturer of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University and the Hong Kong Institute for Promotion of Chinese Culture.

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Thursday 23 October 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details 香港新界地區之民居，多為單層之廊屋，其後人口繁衍，及建築技術之改善，至有兩層之廊屋，十九世紀末，外地文化之影響，遂至廊改樓之出現，至二十世紀初，因受海外歸僑之影響，始有西式臨街立面、底層為架空、後為店舖、前為長柱廊式行人道、上層為住處之騎樓出現。

是次講座，主要介紹戰前華南民居從廊屋到騎樓之演變，並嘗試介紹其演變、發展、及衰落之原由及經過。

The seminar will try to trace the evolution of pre-war Southern Chinese vernacular houses from “Lang Wu” to “Qi Lou” and their rise and fall.

Language	Cantonese	Fee	HK\$50 per person; HK\$100 per person for non-member
Deadline	9 October 2008	Priority	First-come-first-served

CPD/QS/2008087

High-rise Construction: Are Costs Increasing with the Height?

Speaker Dr. Ellen Lau, FHKIS, FRICS, RPS(QS), BSc in Quantity Surveying, MSc in Construction Management (Project), PhD in Strategic Management, Senior Lecturer of City University of Hong Kong

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Monday 27 October 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details High-rise buildings are competing with heights and there is a tendency that these buildings are constructed higher and higher. We would have thought that we have a common understanding of high-rise buildings, but in fact we do not. In China, there is a definition of high-rise building and exceptionally high-rise buildings to govern the approval of the plan. In view of the preliminary perception of the budget at this stage, we attempt to have an overview of cost management of high-rise buildings through working with the elemental cost of high-rise buildings. This talk focuses on the economic value of office buildings in terms of piling and substructure, carcass, finishings, furniture and fittings, services and preliminaries and attempts to explain the cost implications of the number of storeys, storey height and the construction floor area on building elements such as carcass and services.

Language	English	Fee	HK\$120 per person
Deadline	20 October 2008	Priority	QSD Members

CPD/YSG/2008084

Recent Updates on ADR

Joint CPD Seminar jointly organized with the Young Members Group (YMG) of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb), Young Members Committee(YMC) of Hong Kong Institution of Engineers (HKIE) and Young Surveyors Group (YSG) of Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors (HKIS).

Speaker Ms Teresa Cheng, BSc, LLB, FCIArb, FHKIA, FSIA, FICE, MHKIE, President of CIArb and Vice Chairperson of HKIAC

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Thursday 30 October 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details Teresa started her career practicing as a civil engineer and later as a barrister-at-law in Hong Kong in 1987. She was appointed as Senior Counsel by the Chief Justice of Hong Kong in 2000. She has been practicing as advocate, mediator and arbitrator in many international construction, commercial and investment disputes in various jurisdictions. She is now the President of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and Vice Chairperson of Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre.

Young professionals practicing in the construction industry have long recognized the importance of equipping themselves with up-to-date knowledge on ADR, which is becoming a more important subject in the industry. The purpose of the seminar is to share recent updates in the ADR sector with young engineers and surveyors and to convey to them some intermediate to advanced level skills and knowledge regarding arbitration and mediation. Teresa will also specifically point out some of the issues and challenges facing young practitioners.

Language	English	Fee	HK\$100 per person; HK\$120 for non member (HKIS members who are also members of CIArb and/or HKIE who register through HKIS are also required to pay HK\$100 per person)
Deadline	16 October 2008	Priority	probationers and students

CPD/HKIS/2008093

Singapore Shophouse and Hong Kong Tong Lau



Joint CPD Lecture Series on Building Typology co-sponsored by the Architectural Conservation Programme of The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Institute of Architects and Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors.

Speaker Dr. Lee Ho Yin, Director of Architectural Conservation Programme, Department of Architecture, The University of Hong Kong

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Thursday 6 November 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details Both the Singapore Shophouse and Hong Kong Tong Lau are products of people brought together in the wake of the fall of one mighty empire and the rise of another-China and Britain-in the 19th century. These two architectural typologies stemmed from a common origin: the Southern Chinese Shop-Dwelling, an urban mixed-use (residential and commercial) building type common in the coastal cities of Southern China. The evolutionary path from the Southern Chinese prototype to the respective regional variations is a story of how people from China and Britain adapted to the land they had emigrated to and settled on.

Language	English	Fee	HK\$50 per person; HK\$100 per person for non-member
Deadline	29 October 2008	Priority	first-come-first-served

CPD/YSG/2008096

Extensions of Time, Delay Analysis and Global Claims



Speaker Mr. Nicholas Longley

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Monday 17 November 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details Nicholas Longley is a construction and insurance lawyer. He qualified as a lawyer in England in 1992 and has been in Hong Kong for over 10 years. Nick is a consultant at Mayer Brown JSM, he advises governments, main contractors, subcontractors, insurers and design professionals on construction, engineering, professional indemnity, construction related insurance law,

contract preparation, risk management and contract claims. He advises on disputes in Hong Kong, Asia Pacific and the Middle East, he has delivered talks in various seminars and is also the editor of the Lighthouse Club Magazine.

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Language	English	Fee	HK\$100 per person; HK\$150 for non-member; HK\$20 walk in surcharge for all pricings listed
Deadline	20 October 2008	Priority	Probationers and Quantity Surveying Members; first come first serve basis

CPD/QS/2008094

Impacts of Enhanced Facilities in Millennium Schools



Speaker Dr. Mei-yung Leung, BSc(Hons), BRS, PhD, MHKIS, MRICS, MCIQB, MHKICM, CVS(SAVE), MHKIVM, Assistant Professor of City University of Hong Kong

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Tuesday 18 November 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details In the past few years, the Hong Kong government has increased investment toward establishing new schools and upgrading existing school facilities. However, it is still a debatable point whether the new and upgraded facilities can improve teaching effectiveness and learning behaviors. The seminar will discuss the effectiveness of the enhanced school facilities and the impacts of this enhancement on the learning behaviors of students. The results of pre- and post-occupancy evaluation conducted on primary students in three primary millennium schools will also be shared.

Language	English	Fee	HK\$120 per person
Deadline	4 November 2008	Priority	HKIS Members

CPD/BSD/2008099

Fire Safety Engineering



Speakers Dr. Alice Cheung and Dr. SM Lo

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Friday 21 November 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details [A brief discussion on the use of fire safety engineering design in buildings](#)
Speaker: Dr. Alice Cheung, Arch & Fire Professional (International) Limited.

Dr. Alice Cheung graduated with BEng (Building Services Engineering) (First Class Hon) and PhD from the Department of Building and Construction, City University of Hong Kong. Her expertise is fire modeling and fire safety engineering. After graduation, Dr. Cheung joined a specialist consultant firm and is now responsible for handling various projects concerning fire safety engineering studies, computation fluid dynamics studies, and etc. She has extensive experience in carrying out fire safety engineering studies for projects in Hong Kong, China and etc. In this talk, she is going to give a brief outline of fire safety engineering studies and illustrates some details by practical examples.

[On the fire protection of historical buildings](#)

Speaker: Dr. S.M. Lo, Department of Building & Construction, City University of Hong Kong

Dr. SM Lo is an associate professor in the Department of Building and Construction, City University of Hong Kong. He obtained his PhD from the Department of Architecture, University of Hong Kong and is a Fellow the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors. He is a well-known expert in fire safety, especially in the field of human movement modeling, and has published

over hundred articles in various international refereed journals. He has been invited to give key-note speech in many international conferences and forums and being the guest professor of many key universities in China including the Wuhan University, Harbin Institute of Technology, Xi'an Jiaotong University and the Academy of Armed Police of China. In this talk, Dr. Lo will outline a general view of fire protection in historical buildings.

Language	Cantonese supplemented by English	Fee	HK\$120 per person HK\$150 per person for walk-in participants (subject to availability)
Deadline	7 November 2008	Priority	BSD Members

CPD/QS/2008098

The Business Pros and Cons of Using Term Contracts in Fitting-out Projects

Speakers Mr Chong Hok Ching Joseph, BSc(Surv)(HKU)(1st class hon.), MSc(IDM)(HKU), MHKIS, MRICS, RPS(QS), YSG Vice-Chairman of HKIS and QSD Council Member of HKIS, Senior Quantity Surveyor, Page Kirkland (Hong Kong) Limited

Mr Tang Chi Wang, BSc (Hons), LLB (Hons), DipArb, MHKIS, MHKICM, MHKIVM, MCI Arb, Accredited Mediator, Project Manager, ISG Asia (HK) Limited

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Thursday 27 November 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details Joseph is currently a Senior QS in Page Kirkland Group's Hong Kong office and is running millions of fitting-out projects for a worldwide retail chain in Macau and Abu Dhabi. Before joining Page Kirkland, he was the Cost Manager in the Corporate Real Estate Department of an international bank and responsible for all the QS service in Hong Kong. At that time, he introduced and implemented the term contracts for the bank's fitting-out work of branches and offices, as well as churn projects.

CW is the Project Manager in the Corporate Real Estate Department of an international bank and responsible for fitting-out of its branches. He was the project in charge for the fitting-out projects of a major convenience store chain in Hong Kong.

With rental costs for Hong Kong retail space on the rise in recent years, it makes good economic sense for retailers to make their operations as cost-efficient as possible. For some, rental cost can account for up to 50% of their operating costs. The key to coping with rising rental pressure is by reduction in store size, relocation and closure of underperforming shops while expanding outlets and flagship stores at location close to prime area. As a result, there are a lot of associated fitting-out projects in the market which in turn jack up the fitting-out costs.

Corporate Real Estate Department and its project team are traditionally treated as a "cost centre". They are driven to look for all means to deliver "value-for-money" projects. Some retailers are negotiating longer-term fitting-out contracts, up to two years, with their suppliers to achieve lower costs and shorter fitting-out period. In addition, these longer-term relationships have the potential of delivering better value to the end users. This paper discusses about the financial and business benefits, and the challenges of using term contracts in Hong Kong through 2 cases of convenience stores and bank branches.

Language	English	Fee	HK\$120 per person
Deadline	13 November 2008	Priority	QSD Members

CPD/HKIS/2008095

Military Architecture in Hong Kong

Joint CPD Lecture Series on Building Typology co-sponsored by the Architectural Conservation Programme of The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Institute of Architects and Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors.

Speaker Mr Ko Tim-keung is a local history researcher and a former council member of the Royal Asiatic Society (HK Branch). He is the author/co-author of several books on Hong Kong history.

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Thursday 18 December 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details When the Pacific War broke out, Hong Kong had already been fortified for a century. Batteries, redoubts, observation posts, blockhouses, pillboxes, searchlight positions, tunnels, trenches, shelters, and bunkers were built extensively. All these preparations for war were finally put to test when the Japanese invaded Hong Kong in December 1941.

Since the end of the war, many of these relics were gradually forgotten, and were quietly disappearing. The spectacular economic development of Hong Kong, not surprisingly, have claimed many of these unwanted concrete blocks and structures. Yet, despite the seemingly unabated developments, there still lie a large number of ex-defence works - whether along the coast, on the hillside, or in the heart of the city. The talk attempts to outline some of these relics.

Through studying these lumps of concrete, the search for the past, nevertheless, is not altogether impossible.

Language	English	Fee	HK\$50 per person; HK\$100 per person for non-member
Deadline	4 December 2008	Priority	first-come-first-served

How to Become an Auctioneer? - Auction of Vehicle Registration Marks Organised by Transport Department

如何成為拍賣官？ - 運輸署舉辦的車輛登記號碼拍賣

Speaker Representative(s) of Transport Department, HKSAR

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Wednesday 29 October 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details In 1973, legislation was introduced whereby traditional vehicle registration marks could be purchased by auction. To provide more choices of vehicle registration marks to vehicle owners, the Government introduced the Personalized Vehicle Registration Marks Scheme in 2006. Under the Scheme, a vehicle owner can choose his/her preferred vehicle registration mark, apply to the Transport Department and use it upon approval following a bidding exercise. Auctions of traditional and personalized vehicle registration marks are conducted by the Transport Department from time to time. Since 1994, members of HKIS have been participating in the auctions as Auctioneers.

As a member of HKIS, you are cordially invited to attend the seminar on "How to Become an Auctioneer for the Auction of Vehicle Registration Marks". In this seminar, representative(s) of the Transport Department will introduce more information about (i) Auction of Traditional Vehicle Registration Marks; (ii) Personalized Vehicle Registration Marks Scheme; (iii) Role of an Auctioneer in Auction of Vehicle Registration Marks; and (iv) Skills for How to Become an Auctioneer for Auction of Vehicle Registration Marks. After attending this seminar, you may indicate your interest to the HKIS to become an auctioneer for auction of vehicle registration marks organised by the Transport Department.

Existing auctioneers for the auction of vehicle registration marks are also invited to attend this seminar and are welcomed to share their experience with the potential auctioneers.

Language	Cantonese	Fee	Free of Charge
Deadline	22 October 2008	Priority	Corporate Members

Registration Complete the CPD Standard Reservation Form and fax to 28684612. Confirmation will be returned by email.

Building Surveying Division Chairman's Message

What can Building Surveyors do? A brief statement

We wish to respond to the President's Message in the August Issue of Surveyors Times, in which we noted that some young surveyors have expressed their views and concerns on the professional status, practices and prospects of Professional Building Surveyors.

We would like to deliver a clear message here that we always uphold our high professional standard and continue our professional development by enhancing and diversifying our knowledge and skills. Through these years of development, our profession and expertise has been increasingly recognised by many institutions, corporations and organisations which offer very good opportunities for our career development. We strongly believe that our professional knowledge and skills are much more than the narrowly perceived image of "focusing on procedures" as commented by some of the young surveyors. We would sincerely invite and encourage these surveyors who we see as successors of our profession to approach the BSD Council at the HKIS and we would be extremely delighted to give them a better understanding and foresight on the future of our profession.

廣東省建設監理協會訪港交流

廣東省建設監理協會應我們的邀請於8月27至28日到香港作交流訪問。由龍建文會長、錢小靖副會長及朱本祥秘書長帶領的廣東省建設監理行業代表一行共十人出席了密集的活動。



Alex Wong BSD Council Chairman



廣東省建設監理協會代表團到訪香港科學園

他們在第一天中午抵埗用餐後驅車前往香港科學園，由副總裁陳文偉博士親自接待並介紹香港科學園的發展。及後，代表團實地考察科學園的發展情況，對設施管理和創新科技融於項目管理的實踐有了深刻的體會。

當日晚上舉行的交流晚宴，除了學會的中國事務委員會派員出席外，香港建築測量行業的同儕和建築測量組的理事亦藉着此機會與廣東省建設監理行業的友好互相交流、拓展商機。席間，龍建文會長向我們透露了廣東省建設廳現正草擬「獲得內地監理工程師互認資格的香港建築測量師在廣東執業註冊辦法」（非正式標題），廣東省建設監理協會亦曾向建設廳提供意見，如豁免合資企業中香港人所佔的最低比例等。學會前會長陳旭明先生亦提出了以香港建築測量師過往的工作規模、經驗和項目資產值替代國內監理工程師工作經驗、所需註冊監理工程師數目和資金限制以等同某些工程的資質作為回應。除了有關執業註冊這個嚴肅的話題外，陳旭明先生在帶備葡萄酒與大家分享之餘還詳細地介紹品嚐的要點。



廣東省建設監理協會代表團與業界晚宴

翌日早上，代表團分別探訪香港特區政府屋宇署和發展局。屋宇署總主任馬吉松先生及其他代表詳細地介紹屋宇署的架構和分工、香港私人樓宇的審批制度及建築工地的監管模式等。發展局助理秘書長張銘凱先生介紹了發展局的工作及發展局在《內地與香港關於建立更緊密經貿關係的安排》中所擔當的角色；即推動香港建築業的專業服務與國內的相關專業開展資格互認至最終落實執業註冊。代表團在訪問兩個政府部門時都踴躍發言、深入探討相關的課題，加深理解香港建築業的背境和工作情形。



廣東省建設監理協會代表團到訪屋宇署



廣東省建設監理協會代表團到訪發展局

代表團於下午到訪學會後便往西環的一幢新開業的商務酒店考察。這酒店原為寫字樓大廈，剛完成改裝成為商務酒店。學會前會長陳旭明先生作為負責有關項目的認可人士，詳細講解改動工程項目中所作的考慮及解決問題的方法。在實地參觀了部份客房後，代表團體會到香港建築測量師在現今社會發展中，尤其於物業翻修和改變用途中所作的貢獻。代表團在傍晚離港前亦探訪了陳旭明測計師行。



廣東省建設監理協會代表團到訪香港測量師學會

我們現正與廣東省建設監理協會商討短期內舉行較大型之交流考察活動，以符合國內監理工程師註冊時所需的持續十大人天要求，請各會員屆時踴躍參加。

Notice to Candidates BS APC Practical Task 2008

The Practical Task 2008 will be held from Wednesday, 5 November to Saturday, 8 November 2008. Full details will be attached to the approval of applications, which will be issued in due course.

General Practice Division Chairman's Message

Dr Lawrence Poon GPD Council Chairman



The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors DTZ Postgraduate Scholarship Scheme

The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors DTZ Postgraduate Scholarship Scheme is run under a fund in the sum of HK\$2.5 million donated by the Hon C Y Leung and his partners Francis Li, Franky Wong, K K Chiu and Edward Cheung to encourage and sponsor qualified surveyors of the Institute to pursue further studies overseas in order that they could contribute back to the surveying profession after the study. The first recipient of the said scholarship is Ms Yu Wing Chi Winnie, a member of the GP Division. Winnie has been awarded a scholarship of GBP 20,400 for her to pursue a one year full-time Master of Business Administration at the University of Warwick in the UK. Mr Kenneth Pang, former Commissioner of Rating and Valuation, is Chairman of the Scholarship Selection Committee. Other members of the Committee are Mr K K Chiu, Mr Yu Kam-hung, Mr Stephen Yip and Dr Lawrence Poon.



From Left: Lawrence Poon, Winnie Yu, C Y Leung, K K Chiu

CPD Events

On 4 September 2008, our guest speakers, Ms Hilary Cordell, Solicitor of Cordells and Mr Simon Lynch, Regional Director, Valuation and Consultancy of Cushman & Wakefield, delivered to our members a very practical and useful workshop on Commercial Rent Review. Through the case analyses during the workshop, members have learnt how valuation will be affected by complex legal rules. Ms Cordell has kindly agreed to upload her notes "Commercial Leases - Rent Review Workshop" onto the HKIS website so that members can retrieve the notes for self study and reference.

Another two CPD events on "REITs and the Dividend Economy" and "Hong Kong Property Law Update" are scheduled for 24 September and 14 October respectively.



From Left: Yu Kam-hung, Simon Lynch, Hilary Cordell, Serena Lau

Land Surveying Division Chairman's Message



Sung Hon Kwong LSD Council Chairman

My response to the Young Land Surveyor's Concern

It was reported under the President's Message in the last issue of Surveyors Times that young surveyors of different Divisions have raised their concern on the future of their profession. I am happy to share my views with the young land surveyors about the future of our profession. Because of the economic downturn, the construction industry had shrunk for some years and job opportunities for land surveyors had unavoidably been affected.

The general picture is still grim today but the good news is that the government has announced the 10 major-infrastructure projects which might somehow improve job opportunities for young land surveyors. The government has resumed recruitment of land surveyors which also helps the profession a bit.

The Institute has met the Permanent Secretary for Works to discuss, among other things, the contribution of surveyors in large projects and the value of surveyors has received the appropriate recognition. We still wait to see how such recognition can finally be converted into job opportunities but it is definitely moving towards the right direction.

As young land surveyors, my advice would be that they should always try to improve themselves and venture into areas beyond the scope of their own profession. For example, land surveyors should get to know more about the laws of Hong Kong whether it is on land matters or on contracts. They should also keep themselves abreast of the latest technology in GIS, GPS and Remote Sensing. Development trends are seen in these areas. After all, opportunities only go to those who have the competitive-edge over others and such competitive edge can only be achieved through continuous professional development. So young fellows, keep your spirit high and work hard for your future!

HKIS representative to the Advisory Committee for the Department of Land Surveying & Geo-Informatics, Hong Kong Polytechnic University

I am pleased to inform that I have nominated Mr Simon KWOK Chi-wo, Vice-Chairman of LSD, as member for the Advisory Committee for the Department of Land Surveying & Geo-Informatics of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University for a term of two years starting 1 November 2008.

LSD Annual Dinner 17 October 2008

**Eaton Hotel Hong Kong
Jordan Room
380 Nathan Road, Kowloon**

Cocktail reception: 6:30 to 7:30 pm
Dinner buffet: 7:30 to 10:00 pm
Price: HK\$300 per person
Registration: Complete standard reservation form for CPD/PQSL

Enquiries: Ms Donna Yu at 2526 3679 or email cpd@hkis.org.hk; or
Ms Maris Lo at 9257 1695

New Dynamic of Infrastructure Development - Railways and Tunnel Construction

Anthony Yu



The Chief Executive of the HKSAR announced in the 2007-2008 Policy Address that the Government will push ahead with 10 large-scale infrastructure projects. Four of them are related to railways and tunnels. They are the South Island Line, the Sha Tin to Central Link, the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link and the Airport Rail Link.

In order to share the experiences of Land Surveyors, Engineering Surveyors, Geospatial Engineers and Commercial Managers in major construction projects and to illustrate the impact of survey technologies to these projects, the Land Surveying Division of HKIS, ICES Hong Kong Region, RICS and the Lighthouse Club co-organised a half day seminar on this topic.



The seminar was successfully held on 30 August 2008 at Eaton Hotel Hong Kong with over 200 surveyors, engineers, project managers and other professions in the civil engineering industry attending.

The 5 speakers shared their valuable experience with the audience on:

- "Resumption of Land for Railway Project in Hong Kong" by Mr Lesly Lam, Land Surveyor of Lands Department
- "The Use of 3D Laser Scanner and Visualization Techniques for Road Design" by Mr Lam Li Wah, Chief Land Surveyor of Highways Department
- "Tunneling Aspects of Eagle's Nest Tunnel" by Mr Jerry Wong, Project Manager of Leighton Contractors (Asia) Ltd
- "High Accurate Tunnel Navigation by Cost-effective Gyroscope Control Measurements with GYROMAT 3000" by Mr Uwe Kalz, Head of Engineering Survey of DMT Germany
- "Explore the Benefits of Implementing Global Navigation Satellite System in Engineering Application" by Mr Vincent Lui, Sales Manager of Leica Geosystems Ltd



Planning & Development Division Chairman's Message

Edwin Tsang PDD Council Chairman



University Visits

The HKIS Mainland Committee has plans to visit the Peoples' University (人民大學) in Beijing in October, one day before the FIG Seminar on 18 October 2008 and then Tong Che University (同濟大學) in Shanghai after the Seminar. The main purpose is to study the academic courses in surveying and land administration, which may lead to closer relationship with such courses later.

Sports and Recreational activities

The Sports and Recreational Committee held its Inaugural Dinner on 5 September 2008. HKIS has been active in

participating in professional institutes' competitions such as Dragon Boat races, soccer matches, badminton, tennis, bowling, swimming, golf and singing competitions all with the exception of table tennis.

HKIS Table Tennis Team

Table tennis is a Chinese dominant sporting event. We need to build up a team to participate in the competitions in order to show our sporting spirit, whether we win or lose.

Anyone who is an active player in table tennis, please contact the Sports Committee Chairman, Mr Lesly Lam at email leslylam@hkis.org.hk.



Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Drainage Services Department Advisory Service on Construction Contract Adopting New Engineering Contract

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (the Government) is inviting express of interest in providing advisory service in relation to the adoption of New Engineering Contract (NEC) suit of contract for a construction project (the NEC pilot project).

The NEC pilot project involves the improvement to a 180m open nullah at Fuk Man Road, Sai Kung and associated landscaping works and minor road improvement works. The works are scheduled to commence in early 2009 for completion in early 2012. The NEC project is administered by Drainage Services Department.

Since it is the first time that the Government adopts NEC for public works contracts, to ensure a smooth implementation of the pilot project and a successful trial of NEC, the Government intends to appoint a technical adviser who has substantial experience on NEC projects to provide advice to the Government during contract stage of the NEC pilot project.

The tentative roles of the technical adviser are: (i) to provide guidance on developing cooperative working skills, attitudes and behaviours among the parties in the contract; (ii) to advise on interpretation of the NEC document and advise Government on the effective administration of the

NEC pilot project; (iii) to advise Government on financial management including target cost adjustment and cost auditing; (iv) to promote dispute avoidance and risk management; and (v) to assist the Government in monitoring the performance and measuring the results of the NEC pilot project. The technical adviser shall work part-time and on a need basis and the advisory service will be based on a charge-out rate, subject to a lump sum ceiling proposed by the technical adviser before appointment and agreed by the Government.

Those who wish to be considered for appointment, please write to the following address on or before 31 October 2008 expressing your interest and include the CVs (please indicate clearly all previous NEC projects involved and the capacity and role involved, with dates), and whether you would be available in Hong Kong for the years from 2009 to early 2012 :

Chief Engineer / Drainage Projects
Drainage Projects Division
Drainage Services Department
45/F Revenue Tower
5 Gloucester Road, Wan Chai
Hong Kong

Enquiries can be made to:
Ir. K. F. TAM (email: kftam@dsd.gov.hk), or
Ir. L. F. TAI (email: frankietai@dsd.gov.hk).

Property & Facility Management Division Chairman's Message

Kenneth Chan Jor Kin PFMD Council Chairman



PFMD APC 2008

The PFMD Divisional Education Committee (DEC) has already recruited a team of assessors to conduct the first APC Practical Task, which will be held in November this year. The assessors have been invited to attend the Assessors' Training Sessions, organised by the Board of Education on 20 and 26 September 2008. The DEC is now working "prudently" on the questions of this inaugural APC.

Structured CPD Events

Our Council Member, Professor Eddie Hui, has been working very hard with the Hong Kong Polytechnic University to plan for a series of cross-institutes structured CPD events. A "Kick-off Seminar" will be held on 11 October 2008 and the speakers will share with you: "The Future Trend in Shopping Malls in Hong Kong and Asia, The New Service Delivery Model of Property Management Industry in China and The Guangdong Property Market and The Hong Kong Developers". There follows at least five individual Saturday afternoon events, which will be held between January to May 2009.

Visit by Ngee Ann Polytechnic, Singapore

A group of 35 students and 2 lecturers of the facilities management program from the Ngee Ann Polytechnic of Singapore visited the Institute on 17 September 2008. They were well received by our two Council Members, Mr Raymond W K Chan and Mr K W Lam, who gave a short talk on heritage preservation in Hong Kong.



Quality Water Recognition Scheme for Building

Our Vice-Chairman, Mr Gary Yeung, represented the Division to attend the Certificate Presentation Ceremony of the captioned Scheme, which was organised by the Water Supplies Department. The event was held in the afternoon of 11 September 2008 in the Royal Pacific Hotel, Tsimshatsui, Kowloon. For the information of property and facility management surveyors, there will be three grades of certificate awarded under the scheme starting from 1 January 2008 by the WSD in recognition of proper maintenance of the plumbing systems of buildings, namely:

Blue Certificate	• New participation or continuous participation of less than 3 years
Silver Certificate	• Continuous participation of 3 years or more but less than 5 years
Gold Certificate	• Continuous participation of 5 years or more

Quantity Surveying Division Chairman's Message



Stephen Lai QSD Council Chairman

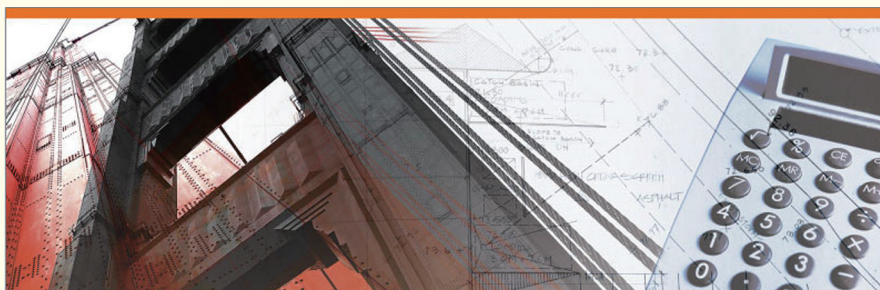
Quantity Surveyors' Road to Success

In order to attract and encourage more students and graduates to join our profession, the Divisional Council decided to proceed with a series of activities at the beginning of this year for promoting the profession to the target group as well as the general public. We are in the course of producing a promotional video for the Quantity Surveying profession. A production company was appointed after a tendering exercise, and a Sub-committee led by K S YAM, will try to finalise the video within this year.

A working group led by Ricky CHAN and Joseph CHONG approached Career Times, one of the most popular human resources company. Based on their network in human resources aspect, a seminar "Quantity Surveyors' Road to Success" has been arranged on 28 October 2008 at the Surveyors Learning Centre for the public. The target group of this seminar includes students who are studying F5 and F7 together with parents of these students.

We have invited speakers from different posts of the Quantity Surveying profession such as senior management of government department, private consulting practice and academic institution. A young quantity surveyor will demonstrate her path in joining the profession after graduating from university.

Please refer to the announcement for further details of the seminar.



Seminar on Quantity Surveyors' Road to Success

Modern-day quantity surveying is about much more than simply costing buildings. Increasingly demanded are broader skills including life-cycle costing, project and commercial management, risk management and value engineering.





With emerging markets in mainland China, Taiwan, Singapore, Malaysia, and Vietnam, the quantity surveying profession has internationalised its outlook and employment prospects and starting salaries have become very competitive.

If you want to be part of a team which delivers landmark projects, attend this seminar. It will provide insights from experienced practitioners on the wide and varied range of employment opportunities available for quantity surveyors today.

Date: Tuesday, 28 October 2008
 Time: 6:45pm-8:45pm
 Venue: Surveyors Learning Centre
 The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors
 Suite 811, 8/F., Jardine House
 1 Connaught Place, Central
 Hong Kong
 Admission fee: Free for careertimes.com.hk members
 (Tickets will be allocated through a
 random computerised draw)
 Registration: www.careertimes.com.hk/cp/e2
 (Deadline: 24 October 2008)
 Language: Cantonese
 Enquiries: mkt@careertimes.com.hk

Remarks: Personal information collected for this seminar may be shared with supporting organizations. While we have no control over the third party's use of such information, we will attempt to ensure that they agree to protect the confidentiality, security, and integrity of any personal information we share with them.

Topics:

- **The lowdown on how to excel in quantity surveying**
 Dr Paul Ho
 Head of Division of Building Science and Technology
 City University of Hong Kong
 Past Chairman (2006), Quantity Surveying Division
 Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors
- **Case study: A high-flyer's fast track to success**
 Ms Joanna Kwok, Project Quantity Surveyor
 Gammon Construction Limited
- **The importance of the quantity surveyor's role in Hong Kong's infrastructure**
 Mr Francis Leung, Senior Vice President (2007/08)
 Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors
- **Take your quantity surveying career to the next level in consultancy services—Hong Kong & Greater China**
 Mr Stephen Lai, Managing Director
 Rider Levett Bucknall
 Chairman (2008), Quantity Surveying Division
 Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors

Organisers



Young Surveyors Group Chairman's Message



Joseph Wong YSG Chairman

Join YSG

Our YSG Annual General Meeting will be held in December 2008. If you are a professional member or student member who is under 40 or if you are a probationer who is over 40, you are qualified to join YSG. If you would like to contribute more to the Institute and to our surveying profession, make some new friends, or want to broaden your horizon, join YSG. Our nomination form for the coming year will be posted out soon. For information, please do not hesitate to send an email to joseph.wong@landmarker.com

YSG Study Tour

We cordially invite you to join our 2008 YSG Study Tour on 15 to 19 October 2008 to Chengdu, China.

Since 2004, YSG has organised study tours to Beijing, Shanghai, Taipei and Dalian. The tours aimed to visit authorities, professional bodies and private firms in China to equip our members with the knowledge of construction and real estate industries outside Hong Kong.

This year, the tour will be a special and meaningful one. I am sure every one of us would remember the earthquake measuring 8 on the Richter scale which struck the province of Sichuan on 12 May 2008. The disastrous earthquake destructed the construction in the area. To show our concern to the local students, we are going to visit a school which has recently been rebuilt. We plan to arrange games and performance for the children/ students and deliver gift packs to them. We hope our visit can bring them joy and support.

On behalf of the Organising Committee, I would like to invite you and/or your company to sponsor this charity school visit. I would be most grateful if your company could provide monetary support for the purchase of resources. Besides that, materials like stationery, toys, or gifts for the students are also welcomed.

To show our gratitude for your sponsorships and to highlight your generosity, we shall place your company's name and logo on the event reports published in our monthly magazine "Surveyors Times. A thank you letter will also be

provided for your record after the visit. However, according to the Law, please note that our Institute is not eligible to issue receipts for tax exemption purposes.

Should you wish to sponsor us or make further enquiries about the tour, please contact me at 9191 3037 or email at joseph.wong@landmarker.com or our Mr Kenny Chan at 9836 0913 or email at kennychan@hkis.org.hk on or before 30 September 2008 for our logistic arrangements. I should be grateful for your generous support and look forward to hearing from you.

YSG Social Event - YSG Mens 5-aside Soccer Cup 2008

(YSG/S/200809)

日期：2008年11月9日(星期日)

時間：上午10時至下午6時正

地點：黃大仙中心多層停車場天台
(黃大仙巴士站上蓋)

名額：8隊(先到先得，額滿即止)

費用：每隊為港幣\$800元正

截止報名日期：2008年10月31日

內容：

1. 初賽以單循環賽事進行，每組首名及次名之隊伍出線。決賽以淘汰賽制進行。
2. 比賽設冠、亞及季軍。
3. 球場選用由比利時之 Domo 仿真草。

備注：

1. 參加者請致電 2526 3679 或電郵 cpd@hkis.org.hk 與余小姐聯絡。
2. 領隊會議定於 2008 年 11 月 4 日下午 6 時 30 分在香港測量師學會舉行。
各賽隊伍的領隊須親自或委派代表出席會議。由於初賽分組抽籤會於會上進行，沒有派代表出席的隊伍將由本會代為抽籤，參賽隊伍並須完全接受抽籤結果。
3. 查詢請致電 2526 3679 與余小姐 或 9229 6722 與 Cyrus Siu 聯絡。



Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre: Phase 2 Expansion - Heavy Lifting of Mega Trusses

Joseph Chong
YSG Vice-Chairman

On 11 September 2008, Mr Christian Venetz, VSL Hong Kong's Design and Technical Manager, Mr Henry Chan, Project Manager of VSL Hong Kong Limited and Mr Antony Lam, VSL's site Method Engineer, presented the successful and challenging erection of the Main Trusses A to D of the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre (HKCEC) Expansion Project to our members in a CPD.

At the beginning, Christian and Henry introduced the design of the lifting system, which lifts up 4 heavy trusses in pairs simultaneously. Due to the limited lifting capacity of normal cranes and the limited access of the site, VSL's lifting system was chosen. The lifting system was formed by using 4 strand jacks around each lifting column. In order to lift the trusses, additional temporary bracings were added and the truss capitols have to be detached and installed separately. Other than lifting vertically, a pair of trusses was slid horizontally across 54 m at 36 m above ground level using a similar jacking method. Other challenges of the project included the limited height of the feature roof of HKCEC Phase II and the extensive temporary work design and checking involved.

At the end of the talk, Antony described the other challenges in lifting of other smaller components of the trusses such as the end-post. He further introduced in detail how the strand jack lifting system works. The system includes a hydraulic pump and a computerised control and monitoring system.

This seminar was a good opportunity for members who missed the site visit a few months ago to learn from this mega building project.



Strategic Aspect of Project Management

Kathy Cheung
Committee Member & CPD Convenor of YSG

A CPD event on "Strategic Aspect of Project Management" was successfully held on 28 August 2008 at the HKIS Surveyors Learning Centre. Dr Paul H K Ho, Head of the Division of Building Science and Technology, City University of Hong Kong kindly delivered a talk to our members. Dr Ho is the Past Chairman of Quantity Surveying Division, HKIS and has worked as a quantity surveyor and a project manager for over ten years.

At the beginning of the talk, Dr Ho highlighted that the traditional approach of project management in terms of time, cost and performance parameters was inadequate for achieving the client's objectives in a property development project. Dr Ho then introduced the strategic approach of project management, which manages the project company and its project on an issue-by-issue basis. Dr Ho further explained the five basic steps of the management process, namely, initial identification of issues including analytical techniques at project and company level, prelim-

inary assessment of issues, detailed analysis of issues regarding potential impact and urgency, development of course of actions, and implementation, monitoring and feedback.

I would like to thank my colleagues from YSG, including Joanna Kwok and Alison Lo for their kind help during the event.





Hong Kong Railway Projects

Joseph Chong
YSG Vice-Chairman

On 20 August 2008, Ir Russell Black, Projects Director of the MTR Corporation Limited (MTRCL), was invited to give a presentation on the latest development of MTR. About 100 members attended this event.

The Government announced approvals for five new railway extension projects. They are all scheduled for urgent implementation following the announcement by the Chief Executive of the HKSAR in the 2007-8 Policy Address. In this seminar, Ir Black gave an overview of these projects.

At the beginning, Russell talked about the merger of KCRC and MTRC, and the concession arrangement involved. KCRC would grant a Service Concession to the MTRCL to operate the KCR system, with an initial period of 50 years. The KCRC would receive a one-time upfront payment, a fixed annual payment and a variable annual payment based on revenues generated from operation of the KCR system.

Russell also briefed about the following links:

- Kowloon Southern Link (West Rail Line to Hung Hom)
- Tseung Kwan O Line South Extension (Tseung Kwan O Line to Tseung Kwan O South Lohas Park residential area)
- West Island Line (Island Line extended westward to Kennedy Town) - with a lot of tunnels and lifts connecting the entrances to stations
- South Island Line to the South Horizons residential area and Wong Chuk Hang
- Kwun Tong Line Extension to Ho Man Tin and Whampoa
- Sha Tin to Central Link
- North Island Line
- Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link (XRL) (completion in 2015)

Russell mentioned that a public consultation programme had been run successfully for the West Island Line project to get the support of the local community. This kind of consultation will be used for future projects.

For the XRL project, Russell said that a high speed train will run from Hong Kong to Futian, Shenzhen, which will take 14 minutes only. This will reduce the travelling time a lot for the integration of two places. Some sections of the

future major interchanges: Hung Hom Station and Admiralty Station were also shown.

Towards the end of the presentation, he talked about the target cost contract which is another successful example of MTRC. This pain-share and gain-share arrangement was successfully implemented for the completion of TKO Line in the past. Although much time and resources is required to agree the target cost, it is a worthwhile method in reducing disputes.



Date	Event	Organiser	Location	
2008				
Oct	9	HKIS Executive Committee Meeting	HKIS	Board Room, HKIS
	15-17	World WorkPlace 2008	IFMA, USA	Dallas, Texas, USA
	17	LSD Annual Dinner	HKIS / LSD	Eaton Hotel, Hong Kong SAR
	18-19	Seminar on Appraisal and Property Protection	FIG, CIREA & HKIS	Beijing, China P.R.
	24-26	IVSC Board Meetings & AGM	IVSC	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
	31	Surveyors Happy Hour	HKIS	Library, HKIS
Nov	3	HKIS Annual Dinner	HKIS	Grand Hyatt Hong Kong SAR
	4	HKIS Property Marketing Award 2008	HKIS	The Excelsior, Hong Kong SAR
	13	HKIS Executive Committee Meeting	HKIS	Board Room, HKIS
	17-18	3rd WAVO (World Association of Valuation Organisation) Congress	WAVO	Bucharest, Romania
	27	HKIS General Council Meeting	HKIS	Board Room, HKIS
	28	Surveyors Happy Hour	HKIS	Library, HKIS
Dec	12	HKIS Annual General Meeting	HKIS	SLC, HKIS
	19	Surveyors Happy Hour	HKIS	Library, HKIS

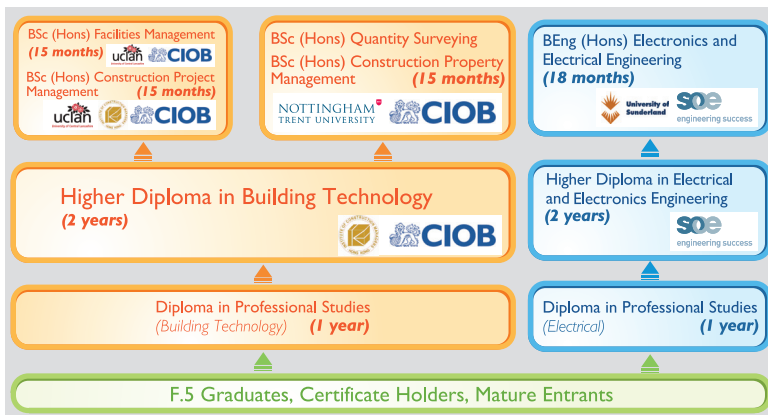
For details, please visit www.hkis.org.hk or contact the HKIS office on 2526 3679. Board Room, HKIS = 810 Jardine House, 1 Connaught Place, Central, Hong Kong. Library, HKIS = 801 Jardine House, 1 Connaught Place, Central, Hong Kong. SLC, HKIS = 811 Jardine House, 1 Connaught Place, Central, Hong Kong.



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HKIS Representative - Michelle CHUNG

2nd Runner-up
Song: 我懷念的 - 孫燕姿

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	26	Surveyors Happy Hour	HKIS
	27	Building Surveyors Conference 2008	HKIS / BSD
Oct	9	HKIS Executive Committee Meeting	HKIS
	15-17	World WorkPlace 2008	IFMA, USA
	17	LSD Annual Dinner	HKIS / LSD
	18-19	Seminar on Appraisal and Property Protection	FIG, CIREA & HKIS
	31	Surveyors Happy Hour	HKIS
Nov	3	HKIS Annual Dinner	HKIS
	4	HKIS Property Marketing Award 2008	HKIS
	13	HKIS Executive Committee Meeting	HKIS
	17-18	3rd WAVO (World Association of Valuation Organisation) Congress	WAVO
	27	HKIS General Council Meeting	HKIS
	28	Surveyors Happy Hour	HKIS
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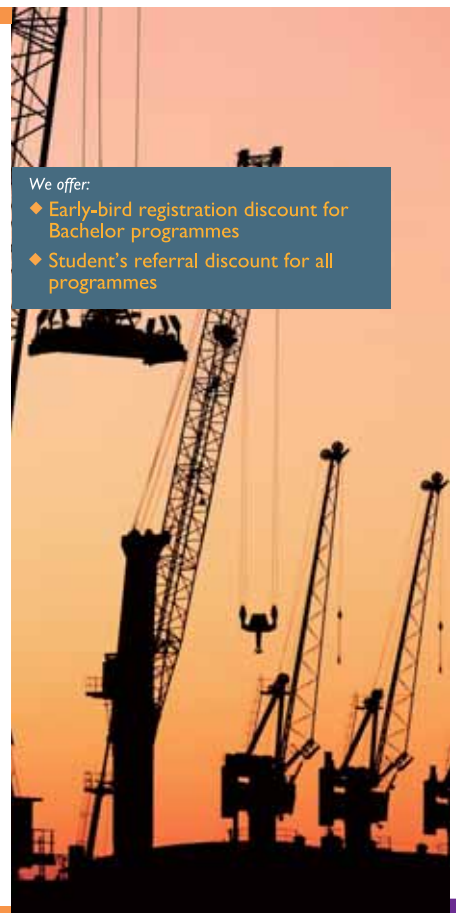
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From the Editor 編者話

At the time of writing, the Beijing Olympics, Paralympics and 2008 Legislative Council Election were all finished successfully. Surveyors have been actively participating in these important events that are closely related to all walks of life. Related news can be found in the August and September issues of *Surveyors Times*.

To emphasize the expertise of our Planning and Development (PD) Surveyors, the scene of Hong Kong's old town development, small town development and tourist spots development are specially used as the front cover of this issue. Readers can recognize the contributions of PD Surveyors in Property Development and Town Planning. With the surveying profession exerting the expertise in this aspect, Hong Kong can keep enhancing her international status in order to support the sustainable development of our country.

In order to help the reconstruction of the devastated areas in Sichuan, the General Council has agreed to join "The Hong Kong Construction Sector 5.12 Reconstruction Joint Conference" led by the Development Bureau of the HKSAR Government. The President in his message encourages members to assist in the earthquake aftermath reconstruction works. We believe members' knowledge can make contribution to expedite the recovery of Sichuan from the disaster.

Please stay tuned to *Surveyors Times*. It is your handy companion.

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執筆之時，北京奧運會，殘奧會及2008立法會選舉都經已圓滿結束。測量師積極參與這些與社會各界息息相關的重要活動。有關報導已在八月及九月份**測量師時代**刊出。

為突顯規劃及發展測量師的專業知識，今期**測量師時代**封面特別展視香港舊區發展、小區發展、旅遊區發展等圖片。從而讀者可感受到規劃及發展測量師為物業發展及城市規劃所作出的貢獻。測量專業在此發揮所長，使香港不斷提升在國際上的地位，就是支持國家持續發展重要的原素。

為幫助四川受災地區的重建工作，理事會經已同意參與由發展局及建造界早前自發成立的「香港建造界5·12重建工程聯席會議」。會長透過會長的話鼓勵會員登記成為義工幫助重建工作，貢獻測量專業的所長。

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1,241 Expectations

The 2008 Legislative Council (Legco) Election was held successfully on 7 September 2008. A total of five candidates, including myself, competed for one seat in the Architectural, Surveying and Planning Functional Constituency. Of the total of 3,834 votes, Hon. Patrick Lau received 1,429 votes and became the Legco Member of our functional constituency for the coming 4 years. The number of votes received by me was 1,241, representing 1,241 expectations from my supporters. The results for the Architectural, Surveying and Planning Functional Constituency are as follows:-

No.	Candidate	Number of Votes
G1	Yu Kam-hung	1,241
G2	Steve Chan	383
G3	Patrick Lau	1,429
G4	David Chan	69
G5	Stanley Ng	712

Running for the Legco Election was a milestone in my life. It was a memorable experience and I will definitely benefit from it for the rest of my life. Thanks to all my supporters who spared their personal time and backed me throughout the process. I shall continue to strive for the advancement of the institution in future.

I would like to take this opportunity to say 'thank you' to the other four candidates: Steve Chan, Patrick Lau, David Chan and Stanley Ng. They are all respected in their fields, professionally and ethically. They inspired me a lot. Congratulations to Hon. Patrick Lau on his success. I am confident that he will perform well as a Legco Member.

Special thanks are due to those who sent me e-mails of encouragement. Although I was not elected, I will continue to

work towards my promise: the unification of professions, broadening of developments and the betterment of Hong Kong. Below are some e-mails from my supporters:-

"Don't worry. You gave it your best shot and that is all we can expect of you. As we discussed, the experience gained will be invaluable for the future."

"I went to vote before I jumped on a plane back to Beijing, but still we lost by less than 200, which is a pity. Hope to see you soon in Beijing or in HK."

"Support you, YSG, HKIS and Surveyors."

"It is a pity that you were only short of some 188 votes, out of 1,241. Anyway you must be exhausted, so do get some rest before returning to work. My full support to you always."

"My commiserations! Let us as a profession put more pressure on Patrick Lau to do more for surveyors!"

"I am just one of those in the trade and I don't think you know who I am. May I express my great appreciation to you for the whole exercise. I am really impressed by your bravery in speaking for us, and striking for us. Thank you. p.s. I like the turtle signature in your flyers. Cheers."

"I was sad to hear the news yesterday. I know I may not be in a right/qualified position to give comment/encourage you, but please don't be discouraged. I believe you can work even better in your surveying profession! Thanks for striving for a position in the Legco."

"Community can be served in many ways. Keep your spirits up."

"You have done a great job in the election already. Although you did not win the election finally, you are a winner in our mind and have demonstrated leadership skill. Keep going and come back in four years' time and regain what should

*be yours! (from Mr Paul Chan of the Accounting sector!)
I wish you all the best!"*

"Congratulations on a very creditable performance and a very close result. All surveyors in Hong Kong will be very proud of your performance at these elections, which are so important to our democratic political development."

Sichuan Reconstruction Work

The 5.12 Sichuan Earthquake has caused great casualties to the province in terms of both human lives and properties. According to the information announced by the State Council of the PRC on 25 August 2008, 69,226 people died, 374,643 were injured and 17,923 people were lost in the earthquake. Various efforts have been initiated by different organisations, public and private, to restore normal lives to the victims.

In order to contribute to the reconstruction of Sichuan, HKIS joined "The Hong Kong Construction Sector 5.12 Reconstruction Joint Conference", led by the Development Bureau of the HKSAR Government. Other non-government organisations, such as The Hong Kong Institute of Architects (HKIA), The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors (HKIS), The Hong Kong Institute of Planners (HKIP) and The Hong Kong Institute of Landscape Architects (HKILA), also joined the Joint Conference.

At the second meeting of the Joint Conference held on 12 August, two projects were proposed to take forward to the reconstruction in Sichuan:

1. Project Working Group for Reconstruction of Provincial Highway 303
2. Project Working Group for Reconstruction of Wolong Natural Reserve

The reconstruction of Provincial Highway 303 is crucial as it is an artery road connecting Wolong Town to other main towns in Wenchuan County. Its extension also leads to Chengdu City, the capital city of Sichuan Province. It is important for the logistics of food and other resources from other parts of the province to reach the town. For Wolong Town, it is the natural habitat of the giant panda. The reconstruction of Wolong Natural Reserve will restore the natural environment and prevent the potential extinction of the panda. The management facilities, community facilities and infrastructures will be rebuilt.

Volunteers would need to spend seven to ten days in Sichuan to participate in one of the projects above. Members of our institution demonstrated their great concern on the matter and expressed their sympathy towards the victims. So far we have received over 100 replies. In the capacity of the President of HKIS, I strongly encourage our members to enrol in the recon-

struction work, as the reconstruction of the devastated areas requires great input of knowledge from professionals like us.

As appointed by the Executive Committee, I am the Convener for the Sichuan relief work in HKIS. I will act as liaison with the HKSAR Government regarding the further arrangement of the reconstruction work and convey the latest progress to the HKIS volunteers.

Promotion Committee

In order to promote the professional image and services of HKIS, a Promotion Committee was proposed by the Executive Committee, which will comprise one to two representatives from each division including YSG.

The Executive Committee also recommended the President to be the Chairman for a term of two years, subject to the approval of the General Council. Terms of reference are to be confirmed later. The preliminary list of committee members has been drafted and the final list will be announced next month.

After the formation of the Promotion Committee, the capability statements of each division will be revised for more up-to-date information and clearer scope of services. The Committee will also visit various government and non-government organisations to promote the changing role of surveyors in the society, the future development of our profession and identify potential co-operation opportunities.

My Recent Activities

I am glad to share with you the following remarkable events in August and September:

- On 12 August, I attended the 5.12 Reconstruction Joint Conference at Central Government Offices;
- On 14 August, I met and exchanged opinions with a group of real estate professionals from Guangdong Institute of Real Estate Appraisers and Real Estate Agents. The meeting was housed at CBRE Hong Kong Office;
- On 10 September, I was invited to the Financial Secretary's Consultation at Central Government Offices;
- On 12 September, I was invited to be one of the guests for the DTZ Scholarship Presentation Ceremony at DTZ offices in Jardine House, Central;
- On 19 September, I had lunch with Professor Chen Zuyu. Professor Chen is a renowned expert in water resources and hydro power.

Best regards,
Kam-hung

HKIS Sports and Recreation Committee Inaugural Dinner cum 1st Sports Night 2008

5 September 2008, Royal Pacific Hotel

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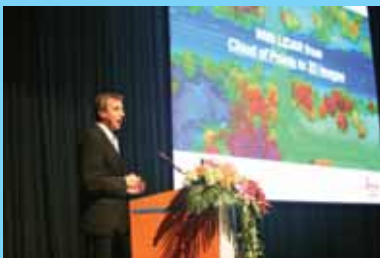
Silk Road for Information from Imagery

Reported by T N Wong
Continued from last issue

Plenary Sessions

Many prominent speakers shared their experience to a full house of participants on the latest technological development and important works towards a better living world using Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing.

Mr Jos Achache of GEO spoke on "Co-operation to Build a Global Earth Observation System of Systems (GEOSS)." An initiative of GEO an intergovernmental organisation with 74 members and 51 participating organisations to work out a co-ordinated and sustained observation systems to provide easier and more open access to data.



Mr Jos Achache of GEO



Full house Plenary Sessions

Dr Juergen Dold of Leica Geosystems described the evolution of LIDAR systems in the geospatial and surveying market as an important step towards improving the accuracy of image data acquisition with lesser cost.

The Wenchuan Earthquake Zone

Before earthquake After earthquake

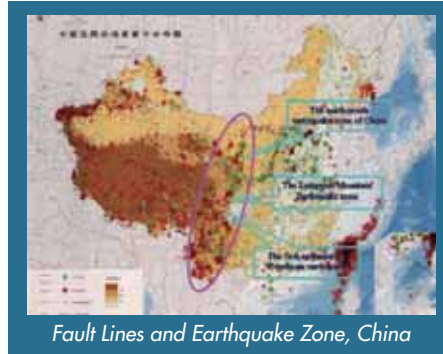


Rescue work

Clearing up



Prof Li Deren
Wuhan University



Fault Lines and Earthquake Zone, China

Professor Li Deren of Wuhan University, reported on the role of spatial information in the rapid emergency response to the Wenchuan earthquake. He described how photogrammetry,

remote sensing and spatial information technologies were applied to disaster response operations including the coordination of rescue efforts, combating secondary disaster, damage assessment and reconstruction.

Rapid data acquisition and information services using fully automatic, near real-time remote sensing systems without ground control had enabled a faster rate in search, rescue work and disaster relief.

It is important to develop a national level rapid response system that can collaborate work by different agencies and facilitate data and resource sharing. This requires the further development of China's National Spatial Data Infrastructure and the enhancement of high-resolution earth observation systems through strong international co-operation in spatial information science and technology. The International Charter and GEOSS from GEO represent an excellent beginning.

Technical Sessions

All technical sessions were well attended. Out of more than 2,800 abstracts submitted, 2,600 technical presentations were selected and presented. This had demonstrated the keen interests of all the participants in the works of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing.

Since there were such a large number of technical presentations it would be difficult to give a detailed account of the contents. It would be appropriate to summarise, categorise and report them according to the relevant works of each of the eight Technical Commissions.



Technical Sessions in progress

Technical Commission I reported on Image Data Acquisition - Sensors and Platforms

About 100 oral papers and 200 poster papers are related to SAR and LiDAR systems (this shows the increasing interest in these techniques). The showcase of the LiDAR systems was its improved accuracy by a factor of four and the time saved, and hence saved cost by a factor of ten. The systems have become more portable and versatile.

Technical Commission II reported on Theory and Concepts of Spatio-Temporal Data Handling and Information

TCII addresses major issues in geo-information science. These include spatio-temporal modelling, spatial reasoning, analysis and data mining, multiple representations, visualisation, spatial decision support, system integration and interoperability, quality and uncertainty of spatial data and models, and 3D and dynamic data handling.

Though 3D visualisation is becoming more common there are many issues and challenges, namely quality propagation through spatial analysis, spatial decision support with highly complex data, interoperability of heterogeneous systems and geo-sensor networks.

The penetration of GIS technology in an increasing number of areas leads us to believe we need more theory on spatial modelling, interoperability and visualisation. This is evident from the tremendous rise of services like Google Earth and Microsoft Virtual World. These services have a widespread impact on society and the way we deal with spatial information.

Technical Commission III deals with Photogrammetric Computer Vision and Image Analysis

Automation of close range bundle adjustments, where only control points require manual interaction, was developed. The generation of highly detailed surface models constructed from images has advanced to a point where images are becoming an interesting alternative to LiDAR.

The direct access to 3D information from LiDAR systems has triggered a large amount of research, including research into increased morphological quality for digital elevation models, ease of 3D-reconstruction for large build-up areas, and detailed analysis of forest areas.

Information density can be increased by the availability of intensity and waveform, enabling more detailed classifications. Also, the interpretation of aerial and terrestrial images successfully grasped techniques from pattern

recognition and machine learning, especially for the modeling of road networks and facade structures.

The analysis of video sequences is becoming a hot topic, especially for the highly challenging and relevant task of so-called 'simultaneous localisation and mapping', both from the ground and air, using UAVs.

Technical Commission IV deals with Geodatabases and Digital Mapping

The acquisition, organisation, analysis, visualization, modelling and dissemination of geospatial information had been made easy by the advancement and development of space, geospatial, computing and communication technologies.

These geospatial information had been used effectively for natural resource management, environmental and ecosystem protection, disaster management and climate modeling.

Rescue and relief operations rely on the collection, integration and analysis of data - including 3D data.

The recent availability of high resolution stereo data from aerial and satellite platforms has revolutionised data acquisition and provided an opportunity to develop techniques for automatic data extraction. Image databases with high temporal resolution are expanding, especially for ocean applications.

Developments in visualisation allow us to display landscapes and seascapes virtually, and to depict both global and local processes. The use of GIS to access, analyse and disseminate spatial data has enhanced web-based services. Web GIS allows us to more efficiently manage massive distributed computing/storage resources. Open-source software provides new, cost-effective solutions to web-based geospatial information and services.

Technical Commission V deals with Imaging and Laser Scanning Techniques

Imaging and laser scanning techniques are used in industrial and engineering metrology, cultural heritage documentation, virtual reality 3D data acquisition, robotics, 3D motion analysis, quantitative medical imaging, biometry, and many more.

A central issue in many developments is the integration of sensor technology with reliable data processing schemes to generate precise and highly automated online or real-time photogrammetric 3D measurement systems.

Technical Commission VI deals with Education and Outreach

TC VI deals with educational matters related to photogrammetry, remote sensing and the spatial information sciences. The technological advancements in these three fields are numerous.

Internet-based information services such as Google Earth and car navigation are widely used by the public today. More technical and educational training are needed for the growth in interest in these applications.

Education and training are no longer restricted to a few years of university. Rapid advancements in technology have increased the importance of lifelong education in our fields. The internet and e-learning play significant roles in lifelong education. Despite the growing availability of educational materials and e-learning courses, it is not easy for beginners and students to find appropriate educational materials. Promoting online information to the public will help to widen recognition and acceptance of e-learning material. A number of sessions on capacity building were presented.

Technical Commission VII deals with Thematic Processing, Modelling and Analysis of Remotely Sensed Data

Highlights of presentation included the following topics:-

1. Rapid developments in SAR remote sensing data sources, such as the high resolution RADARSAT-2 from Canada, the COSMO-SkyMed SAR satellite from Italy (the highest SAR spatial resolution system in the world, providing detailed images of the earth under all weather conditions), and the German TerraSAR.

The launch of these satellites has driven much research in image and data fusion methodologies. The recent Sichuan earthquake is a good example of how SAR data, along with other data sources, can be used to greatly assist relief efforts in difficult terrain and adverse weather conditions.

2. Fundamental physics to enable a better understanding of the geophysical parameters which influence the signals recorded by remote sensing sensors.
3. New image processing algorithms and analysis techniques which show that rapid progress has been made in image classification methods, going from traditional/

conventional pixel-based techniques to advanced context-based and texture-based classification procedures.

4. Other important presentations cover change detection methods.

Technical Commission VIII deals with Remote Sensing Applications and Policies

Remote sensing is the science used to carry out acquisition of information about properties of objects or phenomena without physical contact.

Space-borne satellites are used to capture data for Earth observation. Each new satellite will serve as a platform for a new scanning observation system; each new system will manifest progressively better resolutions, both spectral and geometrical.

The old days of capturing the moment on black and white or colour film are long gone. Now data are collected digitally by dividing the captured scene into a mesh of small equal-size picture elements known as pixels.

TC VIII focused on many remote sensing applications namely impact analysis of human settlement; hazards and disasters; public health; air pollution; coastal zone management; polar, alpine and cryogenic research; land degradation; desertification and arid lands. It also deals with issues related to management of tropical zones; policies, treaties and data access; water security; precision agriculture; sustainable forest; landscape management; geological mapping and geomorphology.

HKIS 25th Anniversary

The HKIS will be celebrating its Silver Jubilee in 2009 on 26 April. An organising committee was formed early in the year with Vice President Stephen Yip appointed as committee chairman. Since its formation, the organising committee comprising representatives from all the divisions and YSG have worked hard to come up with a programme of events to celebrate this special occasion. Events lined up include a Spring Reception, Silver Jubilee Party, Jubilee Cup Horse Race, Annual Conference, Exhibition and many more. Watch out for further announcement of events in the **Surveyors Times** and on the HKIS website at www.hkis.org.hk.

HKIS Annual Dinner 2008

3 November 2008

The Institute is delighted to have invited the Honourable Donald TSANG Yam-kuen, GBM, JP, Chief Executive of the Government of the HKSAR as the Guest of Honour at this year's Annual Dinner on 3 November 2008 at the Grand Hyatt Ballroom.

The programme for the evening will include the launching of the programme for the HKIS 25th Anniversary celebrations.

Tables and tickets are still available. If you don't wish to miss out on this major annual event of the Institute please book early. To make a reservation, please complete the reservation form on page 19 and return to the Secretariat Office.

HKIS is inviting sponsorship for the event. For details of the sponsorship packages available, please visit the HKIS website at www.hkis.org.hk.

Sports and Recreation Committee HKIS Snooker Team

Team Captain: Willie TANG

The Snooker team captain would like to invite you to join the HKIS Snooker Team. On each Saturday, the team will have a training session from 2pm to 6pm at Prince Edward 皇雀會. Please refer to the following map for reference. If you would like to join the practice, please register with the HKIS office at 2526 3679 (Ms Donna YU) or Mr Willie TANG at 2690 3187 at least two days in advance for arrangement.



Council members reaching out

5 September 2008

Sports and Recreational Committee Inaugural Dinner organised by the HKIS

Mr Stephen Yip, Mr Ben Chong, Prof Barnabas Chung
Mr Joseph Wong

6 September 2008

China Construction Industry Association & Hong Kong Institute Construction Managers Co-operation Agreement Signing Ceremony & Joint Conference with Mainland Constructors
Mr Ben Chong

Law Society of Hong Kong - Recreation and Sports Dinner 2008

Mr Lesly Lam

10 September 2008

Consultation with the Financial Secretary of the Government of HKSAR organised by the Hong Kong Coalition of Professional Service

Mr Yu Kam Hung, Mr Stephen Liu

11 September 2008

Certificate Presentation Ceremony of Quality Water Recognition Scheme for Building organised by Water Supplies Department

Mr Vincent Ho

12 September 2008

DTZ Scholarship Presentation Ceremony

Dr Lawrence Poon

17 September 2008

Ngee Ann Polytechnic, Singapore, visit to HKIS

Dr Lam Kwok Wing, Mr Raymond W K Chan

《市區重建策略》聚焦小組討論 organised by 世聯顧問有限公司

Mr Raymond Y M Chan, Mr Gary Yeung

23 September 2008

The National Day Celebration Dinner of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Society of Chinese Accountants and Auditors

Mr Yu Kam Hung

24 September 2008

Cocktails after the Annual General Meeting of the Hong Kong Contractors' Association

Mr Yu Kam Hung

Annual Dinner

Monday 3 November 2008

Guest of Honour
The Hon Donald Tsang, GBM JP
Chief Executive
The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

The Grand Ballroom
Grand Hyatt Hong Kong
1 Harbour Road, Hong Kong

Reception: 6:00 pm
Dinner : 7:00 pm
Dress : Black tie

Fax : 2868 4612

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Please reserve for the **HKIS ANNUAL DINNER 2008**

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HKIS ANNUAL DINNER 2008

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Date : _____

Conditions:-

1. Reservations are on a first-come first-served basis.
2. Reservations will only be confirmed upon receipt of **FULL PAYMENT**.

Summary of HKIS CPD / PQSL Events

6 Oct - 18 Dec 2008

DATE	CODE	EVENT	CPD HOUR(S)	SPEAKER(S)	RUN BY
06 Oct	2008082	Development and Benefits of the HKCA Domestic Sub-contract	1.5	Peter J. Berry	YSG
10 Oct	2008086	Air-cooled vs. Water-cooled Air-conditioning: Which better in value?	1.5	Kenny Chan	QSD
14 Oct	2008078	Hong Kong Property Law Update	1.5	Alexander Leung Melissa Pang	GPD
15 Oct	2008088	Search and Rescue under Collapsed Buildings- An Experience Sharing by the HKSAR Search and Rescue Team deployed to Sichuan for earthquake rescue operation	1.5	TAM Tai-keung	BSD
16 Oct	2008083	QS Role in Infrastructure Projects	1.5	TT Cheung	QSD
23 Oct	2008073	從廢屋到騎樓 - 戰前華南民居的演變 From Lang Wu to Qi Lou : The Evolution of Pre-war Southern Chinese Vernacular Houses	1.5	Professor Siu Kwok-kin	HKIS
27 Oct	2008087	High-rise Construction: Are Costs Increasing with the Height?	1.5	Dr. Ellen Lau	QSD
30 Oct	2008084	Recent Updates on ADR	1.5	Teresa Cheng	YSG
06 Nov	2008093	Singapore Shophouse and Hong Kong Tong Lau	1.5	Dr. Lee Ho Yin	HKIS
17 Nov	2008096	Extensions of Time, Delay Analysis and Global Claims	1.5	Nicholas Longley	YSG
18 Nov	2008094	Impacts of Enhanced Facilities in Millennium Schools	1.5	Dr. Mei-yung Leung	QSD
21 Nov	2008099	Fire Safety Engineering	1.5	Dr. Alice Cheung Dr. SM Lo	BSD
27 Nov	2008098	The Business Pros and Cons of Using Term Contracts in Fitting-out Projects	1.5	Chong Hok Ching Joseph Tang Chi Wang	QSD
18 Dec	2008095	Military Architecture in Hong Kong	1.5	Ko Tim-keung	HKIS

Details of individual CPD/PQSL events are provided in the Surveyors Times and/or HKIS Website www.hkis.org.hk. Please use the STANDARD REGISTRATION FORM overleaf for registration. For enquiries, please email cpd@hkis.org.hk or call the Secretariat on 2526 3679.

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Event Name: _____

Member details

Surname : _____ Other names : _____

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Date:

Notes

- 1 A separate reservation form is required for each event / application. Photocopies of the form are acceptable.
- 2 Reservations should be returned by post/ by hand to the HKIS office.
- 3 Payment can be made by cheque or by HKIS Credit Card (Shanghai Commercial Bank Ltd./American Express)
- 4 A **separate** cheque or HKIS Credit Card payment instruction form is required for each event / application.
- 5 Reservation by fax, telephone and cash payment is not acceptable.
- 6 For number of seats or priority of allocation of seats, please refer to the individual event details.
- 7 Reservation cannot be confirmed until one week prior to the event.
- 8 An official receipt/ admission ticket, which must be presented at the event, will be returned by post upon confirmation of reservation.
- 9 Incomplete or wrongly completed reservation forms will not be processed.
- 10 In the event a Typhoon Signal No. 8 or above or Black Rainstorm Warning is hoisted, the event will be postponed and a new arrangement will be announced. Should the aforesaid warnings be lowered 4 hours before the event, the event will proceed as normal.
- 11 If you have not received any reply from our Institute within 7 days of the event, you may call HKIS at 2526 3679 to check the progress of your reservation.



CPD/YSG/2008082

Development and Benefits of the HKCA Domestic Sub-contract

Speaker Mr Peter J. Berry

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Monday 6 October 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details Peter Berry is a qualified Quantity Surveyor for near 50 years. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and a Mediator accredited by the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre. He joined Hong Kong Government Architectural Office, Q.S. Branch in 1966 and became Architectural Office's Contract Adviser for ten years, when promoted to look after claims and eventually to advise on the review of Hong Kong Government's standard forms of contract and various technical circulars including the arbitration and mediation "rules" for Government construction contracts. Mr. Berry was the Principal Assistant Secretary in the Works Branch (now Bureau) chairing the Conditions of Contract Committee and was involved in the drafting of the domestic sub-contract form used in conjunction with Architectural Services Department contracts.

After retirement, he assisted with various contractual disputes in the both Government and non-Government environments, he has helped Hong Kong Construction Association as their consultant on construction and contractual policy matters including the new Standard Form of Building Contract 2005 (in conjunction with the HKIA, HKIS and HKICM) and in preparing the accompanying Guidance Note.

The talk will cover the reasons that lead to the development of the HKCA domestic sub-contract, its use and benefits.

Language	English	Fee	HK\$100 per person; HK\$150 per person for non-member; HK\$20 walk in surcharge for all pricings listed
Deadline	22 September 2008	Priority	First-come-first-served

CPD/QSD/2008086

Air-cooled vs. Water-cooled Air-conditioning: Which better in value?

Speaker Mr Kenny Chan, he was qualified in BS, QS, PFM as a Chartered Surveyor, Chartered Builder, Registered Professional Surveyor and Certified Facility Manager; with over thirty years experience in the property, construction and management fields; offering professional services in Property Development, Project & Construction Management, Facilities/Property and Maintenance Management, Building and Quantity Surveying for various organizations and projects. Kenny has been providing quality education, program management and applied research in City University of HK.

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Friday 10 October 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details There has been dilemma in adopting air-cooled or water-cooled air-conditioning system at various times for different developments in Hong Kong, with strong influences by the local government. Fresh water has been a scarce resource as a cooling media. In recent years, fresh water or sea water was advocated as an effective cooling media in the condenser units. While such water-cooled air-conditioning system would involve less energy than that of air-cooled system, it may render potential danger and liabilities to environment/end users if not adequately designed and maintained. Detail studies were conducted for these respective air-conditioning systems, aiming to achieve more sustainable green design, reducing energy consumption whilst comparing the cost implications; with pros and cons.

Language	English	Fee	HK\$120 per person
Deadline	3 October 2008	Priority	QSD Members

CPD/GP/2008078

Hong Kong Property Law Update

Speakers Mr Alexander Leung, Partner, S.H. Leung & Co.
Ms Melissa Pang, Partner, Pang & Associates

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Tuesday 14 October 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details To a lot of people, property is their major asset in their life. Protection of their interest is core to the stability of the society. Meanwhile, conveyancing system in Hong Kong is one complicated area. A lot of issues have to be care of to avoid future dispute.

Mr Leung and Ms Pang will update us on the latest property law with case studies and share their experience.

Language	English	Fee	HK\$120 per person HK\$150 per person for walk-in participants (if seats are still available)
Deadline	30 September 2008	Priority	GPD Members

CPD/BSR/2008088

Search and Rescue under Collapsed Buildings

- An Experience Sharing by the HKSAR Search and Rescue Team deployed to Sichuan for earthquake rescue operation

Joint HKIS BSD/RICS CPD Event

Speaker Mr TAM Tai-keung, FSD Senior Divisional Officer and Commander of HKSAR Search and Rescue Team

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Wednesday 15 October 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details Following the major earthquake at Sichuan on 12 May 2008, the HKSAR Government immediately deployed a Search and Rescue Team to assist the Mainland authority in rescue work. The 43-member Search and Rescue Team, led by Mr TAM Tai-keung, Senior Divisional Officer of Fire Services Department, included 34 firemen, 6 ambulancemen, a medial officer, a registered nurse and an information officer. The Team flew to Chengdu in two batches on May 15 and 16 and were assigned to carry out search and rescue work at Hanwang in Mianzhu, one of the most devastated areas. The Team recovered 24 bodies from the rubble of a collapsed office building and factory plants in the vicinity, and assisted the PRC Army finding a woman survivor trapped under a collapsed building.

Mr T K Tam will share his search and rescue experience under collapsed buildings in Sichuan.

Language	Cantonese supplemented by English	Fee	HK\$120 per person for HKIS & RICS member HK\$150 per person for non-HKIS/RICS member or walk-in participants (subject to availability)
Deadline	3 October 2008	Priority	first-come-first-served

CPD/QSD/2008083

QS Role in Infrastructure Projects

Facilitator/Speaker Mr TT Cheung BSc(QS)(Hons), MSc(Arch), FHKIS, FRICS, RPS(QS), Accredited Mediator. TT is the past President of the HKIS and is currently a member of the Construction Industry Council representing the surveying profession.

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Thursday 16 October 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details As a tradition, estimating, preparation of tender documents, tender analysis, contract documentation, valuation and variation, and all quantity surveying related works of infrastructure projects are always handled by civil engineers notwithstanding that majority of these works are actually handled by quantity surveyors under the supervision of civil engineers. In the building works, the traditional role of handling these works by architects had been changed to become the role of quantity surveyors, and the Government and Private Forms of Building Contract were changed to recognize such QS role. However, in the infrastructure works, such QS role is still with the civil engineers as stated in the Government Form of Civil Engineering Works.

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In this forum, TT Cheung, being the past president of HKIS and a current CIC member representing the surveying profession will give a brief introduction on the current system of QS role in infrastructure works and explain the deficiency of the current system and the ways HKIS sees it fit. TT will also give a brief recap on what HKIS had done to promote the independent role of QS in infrastructure works and its results as of today. Comments and ideas from the participants will be invited for the way forward that they would like to see HKIS should do.

Language	Cantonese supplemented by English	Fee	Free of Charge
Deadline	10 October 2008	Priority	HKIS Members and non-Members are welcomed

CPD/HKIS/2008073

從廊屋到騎樓 - 戰前華南民居的演變

From Lang Wu to Qi Lou : The Evolution of Pre-war Southern Chinese Vernacular Houses

Joint CPD Lecture Series on Building Typology co-sponsored by the Architectural Conservation Programme of The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Institute of Architects and Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors.

Speaker Professor Siu Kwok-kin is a Professor in the Department of Chinese Literature at Chu Hai College, an Honorary Adviser of the Hong Kong Museum of History and an Honorary Researcher of the Royal Asiatic Society (HK Branch). Professor Siu is also a Visiting Lecturer of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University and the Hong Kong Institute for Promotion of Chinese Culture.

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Thursday 23 October 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details 香港新界地區之民居，多為單層之廊屋，其後人口繁衍，及建築技術之改善，至有兩層之廊屋，十九世紀末，外地文化之影響，遂至廊改樓之出現，至二十世紀初，因受海外歸僑之影響，始有西式臨街立面、底層為架空、後為店舖、前為長柱廊式行人道、上層為住處之騎樓出現。

是次講座，主要介紹戰前華南民居從廊屋到騎樓之演變，並嘗試介紹其演變、發展、及衰落之原由及經過。

The seminar will try to trace the evolution of pre-war Southern Chinese vernacular houses from “Lang Wu” to “Qi Lou” and their rise and fall.

Language	Cantonese	Fee	HK\$50 per person; HK\$100 per person for non-member
Deadline	9 October 2008	Priority	First-come-first-served

CPD/QS/2008087

High-rise Construction: Are Costs Increasing with the Height?

Speaker Dr. Ellen Lau, FHKIS, FRICS, RPS(QS), BSc in Quantity Surveying, MSc in Construction Management (Project), PhD in Strategic Management, Senior Lecturer of City University of Hong Kong

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Monday 27 October 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details High-rise buildings are competing with heights and there is a tendency that these buildings are constructed higher and higher. We would have thought that we have a common understanding of high-rise buildings, but in fact we do not. In China, there is a definition of high-rise building and exceptionally high-rise buildings to govern the approval of the plan. In view of the preliminary perception of the budget at this stage, we attempt to have an overview of cost management of high-rise buildings through working with the elemental cost of high-rise buildings. This talk focuses on the economic value of office buildings in terms of piling and substructure, carcass, finishings, furniture and fittings, services and preliminaries and attempts to explain the cost implications of the number of storeys, storey height and the construction floor area on building elements such as carcass and services.

Language	English	Fee	HK\$120 per person
Deadline	20 October 2008	Priority	QSD Members

CPD/YSG/2008084

Recent Updates on ADR

Joint CPD Seminar jointly organized with the Young Members Group (YMG) of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb), Young Members Committee(YMC) of Hong Kong Institution of Engineers (HKIE) and Young Surveyors Group (YSG) of Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors (HKIS).

Speaker Ms Teresa Cheng, BSc, LLB, FCIArb, FHKIA, FSIA, FICE, MHKIE, President of CIArb and Vice Chairperson of HKIAC

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Thursday 30 October 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details Teresa started her career practicing as a civil engineer and later as a barrister-at-law in Hong Kong in 1987. She was appointed as Senior Counsel by the Chief Justice of Hong Kong in 2000. She has been practicing as advocate, mediator and arbitrator in many international construction, commercial and investment disputes in various jurisdictions. She is now the President of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and Vice Chairperson of Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre.

Young professionals practicing in the construction industry have long recognized the importance of equipping themselves with up-to-date knowledge on ADR, which is becoming a more important subject in the industry. The purpose of the seminar is to share recent updates in the ADR sector with young engineers and surveyors and to convey to them some intermediate to advanced level skills and knowledge regarding arbitration and mediation. Teresa will also specifically point out some of the issues and challenges facing young practitioners.

Language	English	Fee	HK\$100 per person; HK\$120 for non member (HKIS members who are also members of CIArb and/or HKIE who register through HKIS are also required to pay HK\$100 per person)
Deadline	16 October 2008	Priority	probationers and students

CPD/HKIS/2008093

Singapore Shophouse and Hong Kong Tong Lau



Joint CPD Lecture Series on Building Typology co-sponsored by the Architectural Conservation Programme of The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Institute of Architects and Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors.

Speaker Dr. Lee Ho Yin, Director of Architectural Conservation Programme, Department of Architecture, The University of Hong Kong

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Thursday 6 November 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details Both the Singapore Shophouse and Hong Kong Tong Lau are products of people brought together in the wake of the fall of one mighty empire and the rise of another-China and Britain-in the 19th century. These two architectural typologies stemmed from a common origin: the Southern Chinese Shop-Dwelling, an urban mixed-use (residential and commercial) building type common in the coastal cities of Southern China. The evolutionary path from the Southern Chinese prototype to the respective regional variations is a story of how people from China and Britain adapted to the land they had emigrated to and settled on.

Language	English	Fee	HK\$50 per person; HK\$100 per person for non-member
Deadline	29 October 2008	Priority	first-come-first-served

CPD/YSG/2008096

Extensions of Time, Delay Analysis and Global Claims



Speaker Mr. Nicholas Longley

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Monday 17 November 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details Nicholas Longley is a construction and insurance lawyer. He qualified as a lawyer in England in 1992 and has been in Hong Kong for over 10 years. Nick is a consultant at Mayer Brown JSM, he advises governments, main contractors, subcontractors, insurers and design professionals on construction, engineering, professional indemnity, construction related insurance law,

contract preparation, risk management and contract claims. He advises on disputes in Hong Kong, Asia Pacific and the Middle East, he has delivered talks in various seminars and is also the editor of the Lighthouse Club Magazine.

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Language	English	Fee	HK\$100 per person; HK\$150 for non-member; HK\$20 walk in surcharge for all pricings listed
Deadline	20 October 2008	Priority	Probationers and Quantity Surveying Members; first come first serve basis

CPD/QS/2008094

Impacts of Enhanced Facilities in Millennium Schools



Speaker Dr. Mei-yung Leung, BSc(Hons), BRS, PhD, MHKIS, MRICS, MCIQB, MHKICM, CVS(SAVE), MHKIVM, Assistant Professor of City University of Hong Kong

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Tuesday 18 November 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details In the past few years, the Hong Kong government has increased investment toward establishing new schools and upgrading existing school facilities. However, it is still a debatable point whether the new and upgraded facilities can improve teaching effectiveness and learning behaviors. The seminar will discuss the effectiveness of the enhanced school facilities and the impacts of this enhancement on the learning behaviors of students. The results of pre- and post-occupancy evaluation conducted on primary students in three primary millennium schools will also be shared.

Language	English	Fee	HK\$120 per person
Deadline	4 November 2008	Priority	HKIS Members

CPD/BS/2008099

Fire Safety Engineering



Speakers Dr. Alice Cheung and Dr. SM Lo

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Friday 21 November 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details [A brief discussion on the use of fire safety engineering design in buildings](#)
Speaker: Dr. Alice Cheung, Arch & Fire Professional (International) Limited.

Dr. Alice Cheung graduated with BEng (Building Services Engineering) (First Class Hon) and PhD from the Department of Building and Construction, City University of Hong Kong. Her expertise is fire modeling and fire safety engineering. After graduation, Dr. Cheung joined a specialist consultant firm and is now responsible for handling various projects concerning fire safety engineering studies, computation fluid dynamics studies, and etc. She has extensive experience in carrying out fire safety engineering studies for projects in Hong Kong, China and etc. In this talk, she is going to give a brief outline of fire safety engineering studies and illustrates some details by practical examples.

[On the fire protection of historical buildings](#)

Speaker: Dr. S.M. Lo, Department of Building & Construction, City University of Hong Kong

Dr. SM Lo is an associate professor in the Department of Building and Construction, City University of Hong Kong. He obtained his PhD from the Department of Architecture, University of Hong Kong and is a Fellow the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors. He is a well-known expert in fire safety, especially in the field of human movement modeling, and has published

over hundred articles in various international refereed journals. He has been invited to give key-note speech in many international conferences and forums and being the guest professor of many key universities in China including the Wuhan University, Harbin Institute of Technology, Xi'an Jiaotong University and the Academy of Armed Police of China. In this talk, Dr. Lo will outline a general view of fire protection in historical buildings.

Language	Cantonese supplemented by English	Fee	HK\$120 per person HK\$150 per person for walk-in participants (subject to availability)
Deadline	7 November 2008	Priority	BSD Members

CPD/QS/2008098

The Business Pros and Cons of Using Term Contracts in Fitting-out Projects

Speakers Mr Chong Hok Ching Joseph, BSc(Surv)(HKU)(1st class hon.), MSc(IDM)(HKU), MHKIS, MRICS, RPS(QS), YSG Vice-Chairman of HKIS and QSD Council Member of HKIS, Senior Quantity Surveyor, Page Kirkland (Hong Kong) Limited

Mr Tang Chi Wang, BSc (Hons), LLB (Hons), DipArb, MHKIS, MHKICM, MHKIVM, MCI Arb, Accredited Mediator, Project Manager, ISG Asia (HK) Limited

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Thursday 27 November 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details Joseph is currently a Senior QS in Page Kirkland Group's Hong Kong office and is running millions of fitting-out projects for a worldwide retail chain in Macau and Abu Dhabi. Before joining Page Kirkland, he was the Cost Manager in the Corporate Real Estate Department of an international bank and responsible for all the QS service in Hong Kong. At that time, he introduced and implemented the term contracts for the bank's fitting-out work of branches and offices, as well as churn projects.

CW is the Project Manager in the Corporate Real Estate Department of an international bank and responsible for fitting-out of its branches. He was the project in charge for the fitting-out projects of a major convenience store chain in Hong Kong.

With rental costs for Hong Kong retail space on the rise in recent years, it makes good economic sense for retailers to make their operations as cost-efficient as possible. For some, rental cost can account for up to 50% of their operating costs. The key to coping with rising rental pressure is by reduction in store size, relocation and closure of underperforming shops while expanding outlets and flagship stores at location close to prime area. As a result, there are a lot of associated fitting-out projects in the market which in turn jack up the fitting-out costs.

Corporate Real Estate Department and its project team are traditionally treated as a "cost centre". They are driven to look for all means to deliver "value-for-money" projects. Some retailers are negotiating longer-term fitting-out contracts, up to two years, with their suppliers to achieve lower costs and shorter fitting-out period. In addition, these longer-term relationships have the potential of delivering better value to the end users. This paper discusses about the financial and business benefits, and the challenges of using term contracts in Hong Kong through 2 cases of convenience stores and bank branches.

Language	English	Fee	HK\$120 per person
Deadline	13 November 2008	Priority	QSD Members

CPD/HKIS/2008095

Military Architecture in Hong Kong

Joint CPD Lecture Series on Building Typology co-sponsored by the Architectural Conservation Programme of The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Institute of Architects and Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors.

Speaker Mr Ko Tim-keung is a local history researcher and a former council member of the Royal Asiatic Society (HK Branch). He is the author/co-author of several books on Hong Kong history.

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Thursday 18 December 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details When the Pacific War broke out, Hong Kong had already been fortified for a century. Batteries, redoubts, observation posts, blockhouses, pillboxes, searchlight positions, tunnels, trenches, shelters, and bunkers were built extensively. All these preparations for war were finally put to test when the Japanese invaded Hong Kong in December 1941.

Since the end of the war, many of these relics were gradually forgotten, and were quietly disappearing. The spectacular economic development of Hong Kong, not surprisingly, have claimed many of these unwanted concrete blocks and structures. Yet, despite the seemingly unabated developments, there still lie a large number of ex-defence works - whether along the coast, on the hillside, or in the heart of the city. The talk attempts to outline some of these relics.

Through studying these lumps of concrete, the search for the past, nevertheless, is not altogether impossible.

Language	English	Fee	HK\$50 per person; HK\$100 per person for non-member
Deadline	4 December 2008	Priority	first-come-first-served

How to Become an Auctioneer? - Auction of Vehicle Registration Marks Organised by Transport Department

如何成為拍賣官？ - 運輸署舉辦的車輛登記號碼拍賣

Speaker Representative(s) of Transport Department, HKSAR

Date & Venue 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Wednesday 29 October 2008 SLC, HKIS

Details In 1973, legislation was introduced whereby traditional vehicle registration marks could be purchased by auction. To provide more choices of vehicle registration marks to vehicle owners, the Government introduced the Personalized Vehicle Registration Marks Scheme in 2006. Under the Scheme, a vehicle owner can choose his/her preferred vehicle registration mark, apply to the Transport Department and use it upon approval following a bidding exercise. Auctions of traditional and personalized vehicle registration marks are conducted by the Transport Department from time to time. Since 1994, members of HKIS have been participating in the auctions as Auctioneers.

As a member of HKIS, you are cordially invited to attend the seminar on "How to Become an Auctioneer for the Auction of Vehicle Registration Marks". In this seminar, representative(s) of the Transport Department will introduce more information about (i) Auction of Traditional Vehicle Registration Marks; (ii) Personalized Vehicle Registration Marks Scheme; (iii) Role of an Auctioneer in Auction of Vehicle Registration Marks; and (iv) Skills for How to Become an Auctioneer for Auction of Vehicle Registration Marks. After attending this seminar, you may indicate your interest to the HKIS to become an auctioneer for auction of vehicle registration marks organised by the Transport Department.

Existing auctioneers for the auction of vehicle registration marks are also invited to attend this seminar and are welcomed to share their experience with the potential auctioneers.

Language	Cantonese	Fee	Free of Charge
Deadline	22 October 2008	Priority	Corporate Members

Registration Complete the CPD Standard Reservation Form and fax to 28684612. Confirmation will be returned by email.

Building Surveying Division Chairman's Message

What can Building Surveyors do? A brief statement

We wish to respond to the President's Message in the August Issue of Surveyors Times, in which we noted that some young surveyors have expressed their views and concerns on the professional status, practices and prospects of Professional Building Surveyors.

We would like to deliver a clear message here that we always uphold our high professional standard and continue our professional development by enhancing and diversifying our knowledge and skills. Through these years of development, our profession and expertise has been increasingly recognised by many institutions, corporations and organisations which offer very good opportunities for our career development. We strongly believe that our professional knowledge and skills are much more than the narrowly perceived image of "focusing on procedures" as commented by some of the young surveyors. We would sincerely invite and encourage these surveyors who we see as successors of our profession to approach the BSD Council at the HKIS and we would be extremely delighted to give them a better understanding and foresight on the future of our profession.

廣東省建設監理協會訪港交流

廣東省建設監理協會應我們的邀請於8月27至28日到香港作交流訪問。由龍建文會長、錢小靖副會長及朱本祥秘書長帶領的廣東省建設監理行業代表一行共十人出席了密集的活動。



Alex Wong BSD Council Chairman



廣東省建設監理協會代表團到訪香港科學園

他們在第一天中午抵埗用餐後驅車前往香港科學園，由副總裁陳文偉博士親自接待並介紹香港科學園的發展。及後，代表團實地考察科學園的發展情況，對設施管理和創新科技融於項目管理的實踐有了深刻的體會。

當日晚上舉行的交流晚宴，除了學會的中國事務委員會派員出席外，香港建築測量行業的同儕和建築測量組的理事亦藉着此機會與廣東省建設監理行業的友好互相交流、拓展商機。席間，龍建文會長向我們透露了廣東省建設廳現正草擬「獲得內地監理工程師互認資格的香港建築測量師在廣東執業註冊辦法」（非正式標題），廣東省建設監理協會亦曾向建設廳提供意見，如豁免合資企業中香港人所佔的最低比例等。學會前會長陳旭明先生亦提出了以香港建築測量師過往的工作規模、經驗和項目資產值替代國內監理工程師工作經驗、所需註冊監理工程師數目和資金限制以等同某些工程的資質作為回應。除了有關執業註冊這個嚴肅的話題外，陳旭明先生在帶備葡萄酒與大家分享之餘還詳細地介紹品嚐的要點。



廣東省建設監理協會代表團與業界晚宴

翌日早上，代表團分別探訪香港特區政府屋宇署和發展局。屋宇署總主任馬吉松先生及其他代表詳細地介紹屋宇署的架構和分工、香港私人樓宇的審批制度及建築工地的監管模式等。發展局助理秘書長張銘凱先生介紹了發展局的工作及發展局在《內地與香港關於建立更緊密經貿關係的安排》中所擔當的角色；即推動香港建築業的專業服務與國內的相關專業開展資格互認至最終落實執業註冊。代表團在訪問兩個政府部門時都踴躍發言、深入探討相關的課題，加深理解香港建築業的背境和工作情形。



廣東省建設監理協會代表團到訪屋宇署



廣東省建設監理協會代表團到訪發展局

代表團於下午到訪學會後便往西環的一幢新開業的商務酒店考察。這酒店原為寫字樓大廈，剛完成改裝成為商務酒店。學會前會長陳旭明先生作為負責有關項目的認可人士，詳細講解改動工程項目中所作的考慮及解決問題的方法。在實地參觀了部份客房後，代表團體會到香港建築測量師在現今社會發展中，尤其於物業翻修和改變用途中所作的貢獻。代表團在傍晚離港前亦探訪了陳旭明測計師行。



廣東省建設監理協會代表團到訪香港測量師學會

我們現正與廣東省建設監理協會商討短期內舉行較大型之交流考察活動，以符合國內監理工程師註冊時所需的持續十大人天要求，請各會員屆時踴躍參加。

Notice to Candidates BS APC Practical Task 2008

The Practical Task 2008 will be held from Wednesday, 5 November to Saturday, 8 November 2008. Full details will be attached to the approval of applications, which will be issued in due course.

General Practice Division Chairman's Message

Dr Lawrence Poon GPD Council Chairman



The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors DTZ Postgraduate Scholarship Scheme

The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors DTZ Postgraduate Scholarship Scheme is run under a fund in the sum of HK\$2.5 million donated by the Hon C Y Leung and his partners Francis Li, Franky Wong, K K Chiu and Edward Cheung to encourage and sponsor qualified surveyors of the Institute to pursue further studies overseas in order that they could contribute back to the surveying profession after the study. The first recipient of the said scholarship is Ms Yu Wing Chi Winnie, a member of the GP Division. Winnie has been awarded a scholarship of GBP 20,400 for her to pursue a one year full-time Master of Business Administration at the University of Warwick in the UK. Mr Kenneth Pang, former Commissioner of Rating and Valuation, is Chairman of the Scholarship Selection Committee. Other members of the Committee are Mr K K Chiu, Mr Yu Kam-hung, Mr Stephen Yip and Dr Lawrence Poon.



From Left: Lawrence Poon, Winnie Yu, C Y Leung, K K Chiu

CPD Events

On 4 September 2008, our guest speakers, Ms Hilary Cordell, Solicitor of Cordells and Mr Simon Lynch, Regional Director, Valuation and Consultancy of Cushman & Wakefield, delivered to our members a very practical and useful workshop on Commercial Rent Review. Through the case analyses during the workshop, members have learnt how valuation will be affected by complex legal rules. Ms Cordell has kindly agreed to upload her notes "Commercial Leases - Rent Review Workshop" onto the HKIS website so that members can retrieve the notes for self study and reference.

Another two CPD events on "REITs and the Dividend Economy" and "Hong Kong Property Law Update" are scheduled for 24 September and 14 October respectively.



From Left: Yu Kam-hung, Simon Lynch, Hilary Cordell, Serena Lau

Land Surveying Division Chairman's Message



Sung Hon Kwong LSD Council Chairman

My response to the Young Land Surveyor's Concern

It was reported under the President's Message in the last issue of Surveyors Times that young surveyors of different Divisions have raised their concern on the future of their profession. I am happy to share my views with the young land surveyors about the future of our profession. Because of the economic downturn, the construction industry had shrunk for some years and job opportunities for land surveyors had unavoidably been affected.

The general picture is still grim today but the good news is that the government has announced the 10 major-infrastructure projects which might somehow improve job opportunities for young land surveyors. The government has resumed recruitment of land surveyors which also helps the profession a bit.

The Institute has met the Permanent Secretary for Works to discuss, among other things, the contribution of surveyors in large projects and the value of surveyors has received the appropriate recognition. We still wait to see how such recognition can finally be converted into job opportunities but it is definitely moving towards the right direction.

As young land surveyors, my advice would be that they should always try to improve themselves and venture into areas beyond the scope of their own profession. For example, land surveyors should get to know more about the laws of Hong Kong whether it is on land matters or on contracts. They should also keep themselves abreast of the latest technology in GIS, GPS and Remote Sensing. Development trends are seen in these areas. After all, opportunities only go to those who have the competitive-edge over others and such competitive edge can only be achieved through continuous professional development. So young fellows, keep your spirit high and work hard for your future!

HKIS representative to the Advisory Committee for the Department of Land Surveying & Geo-Informatics, Hong Kong Polytechnic University

I am pleased to inform that I have nominated Mr Simon KWOK Chi-wo, Vice-Chairman of LSD, as member for the Advisory Committee for the Department of Land Surveying & Geo-Informatics of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University for a term of two years starting 1 November 2008.

LSD Annual Dinner 17 October 2008

**Eaton Hotel Hong Kong
Jordan Room
380 Nathan Road, Kowloon**

Cocktail reception: 6:30 to 7:30 pm
Dinner buffet: 7:30 to 10:00 pm
Price: HK\$300 per person
Registration: Complete standard reservation form for CPD/PQSL

Enquiries: Ms Donna Yu at 2526 3679 or email cpd@hkis.org.hk; or
Ms Maris Lo at 9257 1695

New Dynamic of Infrastructure Development - Railways and Tunnel Construction

Anthony Yu



The Chief Executive of the HKSAR announced in the 2007-2008 Policy Address that the Government will push ahead with 10 large-scale infrastructure projects. Four of them are related to railways and tunnels. They are the South Island Line, the Sha Tin to Central Link, the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link and the Airport Rail Link.

In order to share the experiences of Land Surveyors, Engineering Surveyors, Geospatial Engineers and Commercial Managers in major construction projects and to illustrate the impact of survey technologies to these projects, the Land Surveying Division of HKIS, ICES Hong Kong Region, RICS and the Lighthouse Club co-organised a half day seminar on this topic.



The seminar was successfully held on 30 August 2008 at Eaton Hotel Hong Kong with over 200 surveyors, engineers, project managers and other professions in the civil engineering industry attending.

The 5 speakers shared their valuable experience with the audience on:

- "Resumption of Land for Railway Project in Hong Kong" by Mr Lesly Lam, Land Surveyor of Lands Department
- "The Use of 3D Laser Scanner and Visualization Techniques for Road Design" by Mr Lam Li Wah, Chief Land Surveyor of Highways Department
- "Tunneling Aspects of Eagle's Nest Tunnel" by Mr Jerry Wong, Project Manager of Leighton Contractors (Asia) Ltd
- "High Accurate Tunnel Navigation by Cost-effective Gyroscope Control Measurements with GYROMAT 3000" by Mr Uwe Kalz, Head of Engineering Survey of DMT Germany
- "Explore the Benefits of Implementing Global Navigation Satellite System in Engineering Application" by Mr Vincent Lui, Sales Manager of Leica Geosystems Ltd



Planning & Development Division Chairman's Message

Edwin Tsang PDD Council Chairman



University Visits

The HKIS Mainland Committee has plans to visit the Peoples' University (人民大學) in Beijing in October, one day before the FIG Seminar on 18 October 2008 and then Tong Che University (同濟大學) in Shanghai after the Seminar. The main purpose is to study the academic courses in surveying and land administration, which may lead to closer relationship with such courses later.

Sports and Recreational activities

The Sports and Recreational Committee held its Inaugural Dinner on 5 September 2008. HKIS has been active in

participating in professional institutes' competitions such as Dragon Boat races, soccer matches, badminton, tennis, bowling, swimming, golf and singing competitions all with the exception of table tennis.

HKIS Table Tennis Team

Table tennis is a Chinese dominant sporting event. We need to build up a team to participate in the competitions in order to show our sporting spirit, whether we win or lose.

Anyone who is an active player in table tennis, please contact the Sports Committee Chairman, Mr Lesly Lam at email leslylam@hkis.org.hk.



Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Drainage Services Department Advisory Service on Construction Contract Adopting New Engineering Contract

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (the Government) is inviting express of interest in providing advisory service in relation to the adoption of New Engineering Contract (NEC) suit of contract for a construction project (the NEC pilot project).

The NEC pilot project involves the improvement to a 180m open nullah at Fuk Man Road, Sai Kung and associated landscaping works and minor road improvement works. The works are scheduled to commence in early 2009 for completion in early 2012. The NEC project is administered by Drainage Services Department.

Since it is the first time that the Government adopts NEC for public works contracts, to ensure a smooth implementation of the pilot project and a successful trial of NEC, the Government intends to appoint a technical adviser who has substantial experience on NEC projects to provide advice to the Government during contract stage of the NEC pilot project.

The tentative roles of the technical adviser are: (i) to provide guidance on developing cooperative working skills, attitudes and behaviours among the parties in the contract; (ii) to advise on interpretation of the NEC document and advise Government on the effective administration of the

NEC pilot project; (iii) to advise Government on financial management including target cost adjustment and cost auditing; (iv) to promote dispute avoidance and risk management; and (v) to assist the Government in monitoring the performance and measuring the results of the NEC pilot project. The technical adviser shall work part-time and on a need basis and the advisory service will be based on a charge-out rate, subject to a lump sum ceiling proposed by the technical adviser before appointment and agreed by the Government.

Those who wish to be considered for appointment, please write to the following address on or before 31 October 2008 expressing your interest and include the CVs (please indicate clearly all previous NEC projects involved and the capacity and role involved, with dates), and whether you would be available in Hong Kong for the years from 2009 to early 2012 :

Chief Engineer / Drainage Projects
Drainage Projects Division
Drainage Services Department
45/F Revenue Tower
5 Gloucester Road, Wan Chai
Hong Kong

Enquiries can be made to:
Ir. K. F. TAM (email: kftam@dsd.gov.hk), or
Ir. L. F. TAI (email: frankietai@dsd.gov.hk).

Property & Facility Management Division Chairman's Message

Kenneth Chan Jor Kin PFMD Council Chairman



PFMD APC 2008

The PFMD Divisional Education Committee (DEC) has already recruited a team of assessors to conduct the first APC Practical Task, which will be held in November this year. The assessors have been invited to attend the Assessors' Training Sessions, organised by the Board of Education on 20 and 26 September 2008. The DEC is now working "prudently" on the questions of this inaugural APC.

Structured CPD Events

Our Council Member, Professor Eddie Hui, has been working very hard with the Hong Kong Polytechnic University to plan for a series of cross-institutes structured CPD events. A "Kick-off Seminar" will be held on 11 October 2008 and the speakers will share with you: "The Future Trend in Shopping Malls in Hong Kong and Asia, The New Service Delivery Model of Property Management Industry in China and The Guangdong Property Market and The Hong Kong Developers". There follows at least five individual Saturday afternoon events, which will be held between January to May 2009.

Visit by Ngee Ann Polytechnic, Singapore

A group of 35 students and 2 lecturers of the facilities management program from the Ngee Ann Polytechnic of Singapore visited the Institute on 17 September 2008. They were well received by our two Council Members, Mr Raymond W K Chan and Mr K W Lam, who gave a short talk on heritage preservation in Hong Kong.



Quality Water Recognition Scheme for Building

Our Vice-Chairman, Mr Gary Yeung, represented the Division to attend the Certificate Presentation Ceremony of the captioned Scheme, which was organised by the Water Supplies Department. The event was held in the afternoon of 11 September 2008 in the Royal Pacific Hotel, Tsimshatsui, Kowloon. For the information of property and facility management surveyors, there will be three grades of certificate awarded under the scheme starting from 1 January 2008 by the WSD in recognition of proper maintenance of the plumbing systems of buildings, namely:

Blue Certificate	• New participation or continuous participation of less than 3 years
Silver Certificate	• Continuous participation of 3 years or more but less than 5 years
Gold Certificate	• Continuous participation of 5 years or more

Quantity Surveying Division Chairman's Message



Stephen Lai QSD Council Chairman

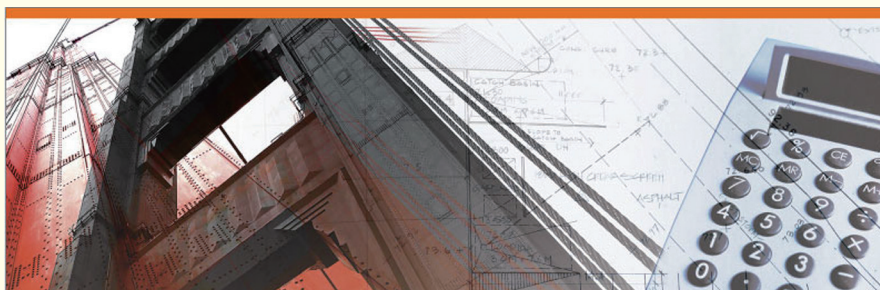
Quantity Surveyors' Road to Success

In order to attract and encourage more students and graduates to join our profession, the Divisional Council decided to proceed with a series of activities at the beginning of this year for promoting the profession to the target group as well as the general public. We are in the course of producing a promotional video for the Quantity Surveying profession. A production company was appointed after a tendering exercise, and a Sub-committee led by K S YAM, will try to finalise the video within this year.

A working group led by Ricky CHAN and Joseph CHONG approached Career Times, one of the most popular human resources company. Based on their network in human resources aspect, a seminar "Quantity Surveyors' Road to Success" has been arranged on 28 October 2008 at the Surveyors Learning Centre for the public. The target group of this seminar includes students who are studying F5 and F7 together with parents of these students.

We have invited speakers from different posts of the Quantity Surveying profession such as senior management of government department, private consulting practice and academic institution. A young quantity surveyor will demonstrate her path in joining the profession after graduating from university.

Please refer to the announcement for further details of the seminar.



Seminar on Quantity Surveyors' Road to Success

Modern-day quantity surveying is about much more than simply costing buildings. Increasingly demanded are broader skills including life-cycle costing, project and commercial management, risk management and value engineering.





With emerging markets in mainland China, Taiwan, Singapore, Malaysia, and Vietnam, the quantity surveying profession has internationalised its outlook and employment prospects and starting salaries have become very competitive.

If you want to be part of a team which delivers landmark projects, attend this seminar. It will provide insights from experienced practitioners on the wide and varied range of employment opportunities available for quantity surveyors today.

Date: Tuesday, 28 October 2008
 Time: 6:45pm-8:45pm
 Venue: Surveyors Learning Centre
 The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors
 Suite 811, 8/F., Jardine House
 1 Connaught Place, Central
 Hong Kong
 Admission fee: Free for careertimes.com.hk members
 (Tickets will be allocated through a
 random computerised draw)
 Registration: www.careertimes.com.hk/cp/e2
 (Deadline: 24 October 2008)
 Language: Cantonese
 Enquiries: mkt@careertimes.com.hk

Remarks: Personal information collected for this seminar may be shared with supporting organizations. While we have no control over the third party's use of such information, we will attempt to ensure that they agree to protect the confidentiality, security, and integrity of any personal information we share with them.

Topics:

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The lowdown on how to excel in quantity surveying
 Dr Paul Ho
 Head of Division of Building Science and Technology
 City University of Hong Kong
 Past Chairman (2006), Quantity Surveying Division
 Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors
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Case study: A high-flyer's fast track to success
 Ms Joanna Kwok, Project Quantity Surveyor
 Gammon Construction Limited
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The importance of the quantity surveyor's role in Hong Kong's infrastructure
 Mr Francis Leung, Senior Vice President (2007/08)
 Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors
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Take your quantity surveying career to the next level in consultancy services—Hong Kong & Greater China
 Mr Stephen Lai, Managing Director
 Rider Levett Bucknall
 Chairman (2008), Quantity Surveying Division
 Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors

Organisers



Young Surveyors Group Chairman's Message



Joseph Wong YSG Chairman

Join YSG

Our YSG Annual General Meeting will be held in December 2008. If you are a professional member or student member who is under 40 or if you are a probationer who is over 40, you are qualified to join YSG. If you would like to contribute more to the Institute and to our surveying profession, make some new friends, or want to broaden your horizon, join YSG. Our nomination form for the coming year will be posted out soon. For information, please do not hesitate to send an email to joseph.wong@landmarker.com

YSG Study Tour

We cordially invite you to join our 2008 YSG Study Tour on 15 to 19 October 2008 to Chengdu, China.

Since 2004, YSG has organised study tours to Beijing, Shanghai, Taipei and Dalian. The tours aimed to visit authorities, professional bodies and private firms in China to equip our members with the knowledge of construction and real estate industries outside Hong Kong.

This year, the tour will be a special and meaningful one. I am sure every one of us would remember the earthquake measuring 8 on the Richter scale which struck the province of Sichuan on 12 May 2008. The disastrous earthquake destructed the construction in the area. To show our concern to the local students, we are going to visit a school which has recently been rebuilt. We plan to arrange games and performance for the children/ students and deliver gift packs to them. We hope our visit can bring them joy and support.

On behalf of the Organising Committee, I would like to invite you and/or your company to sponsor this charity school visit. I would be most grateful if your company could provide monetary support for the purchase of resources. Besides that, materials like stationery, toys, or gifts for the students are also welcomed.

To show our gratitude for your sponsorships and to highlight your generosity, we shall place your company's name and logo on the event reports published in our monthly magazine "Surveyors Times. A thank you letter will also be

provided for your record after the visit. However, according to the Law, please note that our Institute is not eligible to issue receipts for tax exemption purposes.

Should you wish to sponsor us or make further enquiries about the tour, please contact me at 9191 3037 or email at joseph.wong@landmarker.com or our Mr Kenny Chan at 9836 0913 or email at kennychan@hkis.org.hk on or before 30 September 2008 for our logistic arrangements. I should be grateful for your generous support and look forward to hearing from you.

YSG Social Event - YSG Mens 5-aside Soccer Cup 2008

(YSG/S/200809)

日期：2008年11月9日(星期日)

時間：上午10時至下午6時正

地點：黃大仙中心多層停車場天台
(黃大仙巴士站上蓋)

名額：8隊(先到先得，額滿即止)

費用：每隊為港幣\$800元正

截止報名日期：2008年10月31日

內容：

1. 初賽以單循環賽事進行，每組首名及次名之隊伍出線。決賽以淘汰賽制進行。
2. 比賽設冠、亞及季軍。
3. 球場選用由比利時之 Domo 仿真草。

備注：

1. 參加者請致電 2526 3679 或電郵 cpd@hkis.org.hk 與余小姐聯絡。
2. 領隊會議定於 2008 年 11 月 4 日下午 6 時 30 分在香港測量師學會舉行。
各賽隊伍的領隊須親自或委派代表出席會議。由於初賽分組抽籤會於會上進行，沒有派代表出席的隊伍將由本會代為抽籤，參賽隊伍並須完全接受抽籤結果。
3. 查詢請致電 2526 3679 與余小姐 或 9229 6722 與 Cyrus Siu 聯絡。



Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre: Phase 2 Expansion - Heavy Lifting of Mega Trusses

Joseph Chong
YSG Vice-Chairman

On 11 September 2008, Mr Christian Venetz, VSL Hong Kong's Design and Technical Manager, Mr Henry Chan, Project Manager of VSL Hong Kong Limited and Mr Antony Lam, VSL's site Method Engineer, presented the successful and challenging erection of the Main Trusses A to D of the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre (HKCEC) Expansion Project to our members in a CPD.

At the beginning, Christian and Henry introduced the design of the lifting system, which lifts up 4 heavy trusses in pairs simultaneously. Due to the limited lifting capacity of normal cranes and the limited access of the site, VSL's lifting system was chosen. The lifting system was formed by using 4 strand jacks around each lifting column. In order to lift the trusses, additional temporary bracings were added and the truss capitols have to be detached and installed separately. Other than lifting vertically, a pair of trusses was slid horizontally across 54 m at 36 m above ground level using a similar jacking method. Other challenges of the project included the limited height of the feature roof of HKCEC Phase II and the extensive temporary work design and checking involved.

At the end of the talk, Antony described the other challenges in lifting of other smaller components of the trusses such as the end-post. He further introduced in detail how the strand jack lifting system works. The system includes a hydraulic pump and a computerised control and monitoring system.

This seminar was a good opportunity for members who missed the site visit a few months ago to learn from this mega building project.



Strategic Aspect of Project Management

Kathy Cheung
Committee Member & CPD Convenor of YSG

A CPD event on "Strategic Aspect of Project Management" was successfully held on 28 August 2008 at the HKIS Surveyors Learning Centre. Dr Paul H K Ho, Head of the Division of Building Science and Technology, City University of Hong Kong kindly delivered a talk to our members. Dr Ho is the Past Chairman of Quantity Surveying Division, HKIS and has worked as a quantity surveyor and a project manager for over ten years.

At the beginning of the talk, Dr Ho highlighted that the traditional approach of project management in terms of time, cost and performance parameters was inadequate for achieving the client's objectives in a property development project. Dr Ho then introduced the strategic approach of project management, which manages the project company and its project on an issue-by-issue basis. Dr Ho further explained the five basic steps of the management process, namely, initial identification of issues including analytical techniques at project and company level, prelim-

inary assessment of issues, detailed analysis of issues regarding potential impact and urgency, development of course of actions, and implementation, monitoring and feedback.

I would like to thank my colleagues from YSG, including Joanna Kwok and Alison Lo for their kind help during the event.





Hong Kong Railway Projects

Joseph Chong
YSG Vice-Chairman

On 20 August 2008, Ir Russell Black, Projects Director of the MTR Corporation Limited (MTRCL), was invited to give a presentation on the latest development of MTR. About 100 members attended this event.

The Government announced approvals for five new railway extension projects. They are all scheduled for urgent implementation following the announcement by the Chief Executive of the HKSAR in the 2007-8 Policy Address. In this seminar, Ir Black gave an overview of these projects.

At the beginning, Russell talked about the merger of KCRC and MTRC, and the concession arrangement involved. KCRC would grant a Service Concession to the MTRCL to operate the KCR system, with an initial period of 50 years. The KCRC would receive a one-time upfront payment, a fixed annual payment and a variable annual payment based on revenues generated from operation of the KCR system.

Russell also briefed about the following links:

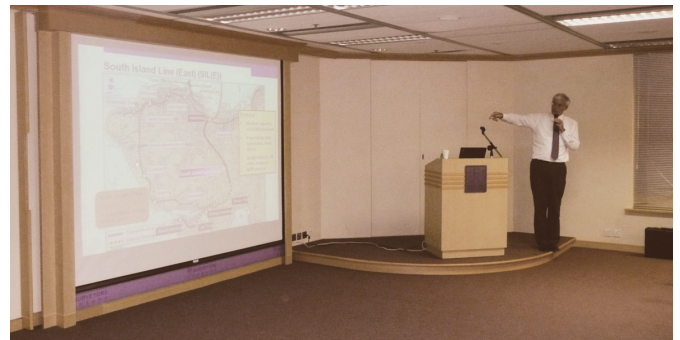
- Kowloon Southern Link (West Rail Line to Hung Hom)
- Tseung Kwan O Line South Extension (Tseung Kwan O Line to Tseung Kwan O South Lohas Park residential area)
- West Island Line (Island Line extended westward to Kennedy Town) - with a lot of tunnels and lifts connecting the entrances to stations
- South Island Line to the South Horizons residential area and Wong Chuk Hang
- Kwun Tong Line Extension to Ho Man Tin and Whampoa
- Sha Tin to Central Link
- North Island Line
- Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link (XRL) (completion in 2015)

Russell mentioned that a public consultation programme had been run successfully for the West Island Line project to get the support of the local community. This kind of consultation will be used for future projects.

For the XRL project, Russell said that a high speed train will run from Hong Kong to Futian, Shenzhen, which will take 14 minutes only. This will reduce the travelling time a lot for the integration of two places. Some sections of the

future major interchanges: Hung Hom Station and Admiralty Station were also shown.

Towards the end of the presentation, he talked about the target cost contract which is another successful example of MTRC. This pain-share and gain-share arrangement was successfully implemented for the completion of TKO Line in the past. Although much time and resources is required to agree the target cost, it is a worthwhile method in reducing disputes.



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2008				
Oct	9	HKIS Executive Committee Meeting	HKIS	Board Room, HKIS
	15-17	World WorkPlace 2008	IFMA, USA	Dallas, Texas, USA
	17	LSD Annual Dinner	HKIS / LSD	Eaton Hotel, Hong Kong SAR
	18-19	Seminar on Appraisal and Property Protection	FIG, CIREA & HKIS	Beijing, China P.R.
	24-26	IVSC Board Meetings & AGM	IVSC	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
	31	Surveyors Happy Hour	HKIS	Library, HKIS
Nov	3	HKIS Annual Dinner	HKIS	Grand Hyatt Hong Kong SAR
	4	HKIS Property Marketing Award 2008	HKIS	The Excelsior, Hong Kong SAR
	13	HKIS Executive Committee Meeting	HKIS	Board Room, HKIS
	17-18	3rd WAVO (World Association of Valuation Organisation) Congress	WAVO	Bucharest, Romania
	27	HKIS General Council Meeting	HKIS	Board Room, HKIS
	28	Surveyors Happy Hour	HKIS	Library, HKIS
Dec	12	HKIS Annual General Meeting	HKIS	SLC, HKIS
	19	Surveyors Happy Hour	HKIS	Library, HKIS

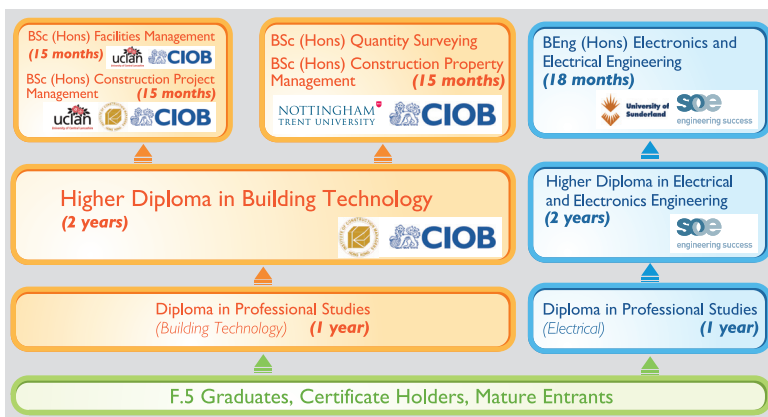
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