

## Memorandum of Mutual Recognition of Membership

Made between  
Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors

Whereas The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors (HKIS) and Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) see benefits to members of both professional bodies in establishing Mutual Recognition of Membership, HKIS and RICS agree the following:

1. Corporate Members of the Land Surveying Division of HKIS (FHKIS and MHKIS) may upon application to RICS be admitted as a professional member of RICS (Chartered Land Surveyor (MRICS)) and be a member of the Geomatics Professional Group, and may be entitled to all the privileges of RICS membership subject to:
  - a. One year post-qualification as a Corporate Member of the Land Surveying Division of HKIS and professional practice relevant to the Geomatics profession; and
  - b. The successful completion of the RICS ethics assessment prior to admission;
  - c. A professional interview conducted at the discretion of RICS to verify the applicant's competence and suitability for admission to the Geomatics Professional Group.
2. Corporate Members of RICS (FRICS and MRICS) qualified as a Chartered Land Surveyor (including those under the classification of the previous Land Surveying Division), whose principal place of practice being in Hong Kong may upon application to HKIS, be admitted as a professional member of HKIS (MHKIS) in the Land Surveying Division, and may be entitled to all the privileges of HKIS membership, including the use of the designation of Professional Surveyor and the designatory letters, subject to:
  - a. One year post-qualification as a Chartered Land Surveyor and professional practice in Hong Kong relevant to the Land Surveying Division of HKIS; and
  - b. A professional interview conducted at the discretion of HKIS to verify the applicant's competence and suitability for admission to the Division.
3. This Memorandum does not apply to any Corporate Member of the Land Surveying Division of HKIS or the Geomatics Professional Group of RICS whose admission to membership is by virtue of a reciprocity agreement with another professional body.
4. Both HKIS and RICS undertake to notify each other in respect of any proposed constitutional changes and of any proposal to enter into reciprocity agreements or merger with any other professional bodies.
5. Both HKIS and RICS agree to act in good faith in recognizing and respecting each other's professional standing, laws, and rules in their respective countries. Either body may cancel or terminate this Memorandum of Mutual Recognition of Membership but only after a suitable consultation process of not less than six months.

This Memorandum becomes effective from the date of this Memorandum.



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Signed on behalf of  
Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors



Dick Kwok  
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Signed on behalf of  
The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors