

Divisional Council & Young Surveyors Group Reports

Building Surveying Division



Sr Daniel Chang

BSD Council Chairman

I am delighted to have the full support of the Council members, co-opt members and others in managing the Council matters, as well as in organising promotional, educational and knowledge sharing events in the past 12 months. Here below is a summary of my report.

1. Membership

As compared with 2016, there was an increase of 50 Corporate Members (+4%), a decrease of 14 Probationers (-6%) and no change to the size of Associate Members. The net membership gain in 2017, excluding Student Members, was 36 (+1.9%). We noticed that the number of surveying students selecting building surveying as their main stream practice had increased.

BSD Membership Statistics (as at 2 November 2017)							
Year	Corporate Member		Associate Member	Probationer	Student	Total	Total Excl. Student
	Fellow	Member					
2013	92	975	0	683	66	1,816	1,750
2014	99	1,044	0	745	83	1,971	1,888
2015	101	1,103	0	778	86	2,068	1,982
2016	103	1,132	2	686	83	2,006	1,923
2017	107	1,178	2	672	110	2,069	1,959

2. Professional Development

(a) Assessment of Professional Competence (APC)

The Practical Task 2017 was held on 11 November 2017. A total of 149 candidates (147 probationers and two technical grade members) attended the assessment, and around 140 APC assessors were present. In the Final Assessment, 36 assessment panels were formed to assess 86 candidates.

(b) Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

A total of 34 CPD events were organised, covering a diverse scope of professional knowledge/practices such as heritage, BIM, construction & material technology, development control, factory visit, Building Surveyor Awards 2017 winning project and some hot issues (e.g. the collapse of City University's sports hall roof top and the community housing movement). The total CPD registration by the end of October 2017 was 4,000.

(c) Research

A research titled "Professional Guide to Building Inspections – Post-1980 Residential and Composite Buildings in Hong Kong" was confirmed. Consultant were appointed to conduct the research and the target delivery date will be in Q3 2018.

(d) Registered Fire Engineer (RFE) Scheme

Since November 2015, BSD has met with representatives from Fire Services Department and Security Bureau together with the ex-Legislative Councillor, Sr Tony Tse, to discuss on the proposed RFE Scheme. At the end, Security Bureau agreed that a building surveyor who possesses specific qualifications and experience is qualified to register as a RFE under the Ordinance. The relevant Bill was passed by LegCo on 1 March 2017. In this regard, Fire Expert Panel will follow up with Security Bureau on the drafting of the regulations in particular for the formation of the registration committee and on the details of RFE qualifications.

3. Education

(a) Outreach to Students

Talks promoting the building surveying profession

were conducted throughout the year for secondary and university students. Moreover, a large-scale career talk for selected secondary school students was held in October 2017.

(b) Building Surveying Scholarship

The 2016 Building Surveying Scholarship award presentation ceremony was held on 2 March. 10 Form Five/Six students were awarded Stage 1 scholarships. In the same event, two students received Stage 2 award upon their enrollment in surveying degree courses in local universities.

For the 2017 Scholarships, screening and assessment exercises were arranged in late November and December 2017 respectively. Applicants were required to present their submissions on the topic "Built Heritage and Conservation in Hong Kong". The award presentation is planned to be held in February 2018.



(c) Re-Accreditation of Cognate Degree

Members were enrolled by Divisional Education Committee to participate in the re-accreditation of local surveying degree courses.

4. Promotion and Publicity

(a) Promotional Video

A 5-episode promotional video was launched in March 2017. The video is presented in layman

style aimed to raise public's awareness of building regulations, safety, maintenance and the expertise of building surveyors. Different social media platforms such as Facebook and YouTube are used to disseminate the video.



(b) Media

There was an increased exposure of building surveyors in the press, online media, television and radio, with topics covering fire safety, building safety, flat inspection, subdivided flats in industrial buildings, bid rigging and Building Repair Maintenance Authority, etc. The efforts of the spokesmen and veteran surveyors have been well appreciated.

5. Society and Community

(a) Building Surveying Volunteer Team (BSVT)

To conclude the voluntary green roof inspection services scheme, the Building Surveying Volunteer Team held a debriefing session on 21 July 2017 with 28 volunteers in attendance. The purpose of this event was to take all volunteers back in time to revisit the green roof collapse incident at CityU, share their observations of and challenges encountered in green roof inspections, and highlight the public engagement exercise involved.

The Hong Kong Council of Social Service (HKCSS) announced an affordable shared housing project – "Community Housing Movement" in September 2017. BSD considers it another opportunity for building surveyors to contribute to the community by participating in flat screening exercises. A volunteer team is being formed to provide the services.





(b) Building Repair and Maintenance Authority (BRMA)

The BRMA suggestion was again put forward to public and Government through press releases. We trust that the Government should seriously consider setting up BRMA to address the threats of bid rigging to flat owners.

(c) Building Rehabilitation Platform

The Urban Renewal Authority has established a Building Rehabilitation Platform (BRP) to support building owners who face the dilemma of making major repairs to their buildings. Building professionals were invited to join the respective committees of BRP. BSD supports this initiative as its objectives are very similar to BRMA. In this respect, 11 building surveyors were nominated to join the Technical, Service Providers and Promotion Committees.

(d) Services and Talks

BSD participated in the “Create Your District Competition” guided tour, Project SPARKLE and the Construction Industry Alliance rally. In addition, members delivered talks to public on building maintenance issues in various districts in Hong Kong under the arrangement of Home Affairs Department. As invited by the Agency for Voluntary Services, we shared our experience on green roof voluntary inspection services to its members.



6. Conferences, Awards and Events

(a) Building Surveyors Conference 2017

The 31st Building Surveyors Conference titled “Building Health & Safety – The Emerging Risks” was successfully held on 14 October 2017 at Crowne Plaza Hong Kong. It was our honour to have Ir HON Chi Keung, JP, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works), as our Guest of Honour. With the provoking thoughts and presentations from speakers, I trust that all participants have expanded their horizons on building health and safety aspects after this day-long conference.



(b) Building Surveyor Awards (BSA) 2017

The finale of Building Surveyor Awards 2017 was held on 8 June 2017 at JW Marriott Hotel Hong Kong. It was our honour to have Ir HON Chi Keung, JP, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works) as our Guest of Honour. As witnessed by a full house of distinguished guests and fellow members, preeminent projects were commended and conferred with specific awards. The Grand Award went to Dunbar Place, a project by Swire Properties Ltd. under the Client/Client's Representative Group of New Development Category. During this important and meaningful event, participants were able to share, learn, appreciate and recognise the distinguished achievements of Building Surveyors, with projects which truly reflected their diverse expertise and professional services.



(c) CAEC Conference

To commemorate the tenth year of signing the mutual recognition agreement with the China Association of Engineering Consultants (CECA), a Working Group was formed to work closely with its Chinese counterparts in organising a conference in Guangzhou with topics covering building maintenance management in China, professional practice sharing and roles in new development areas. The conference was successfully held on 10 November 2017 with 20 building surveyors in attendance.



(d) Social Events

A drinks gathering was organised in March 2017 for members to relax after work and to meet with their peers.



7. Administration

(a) Stakeholders

Maintaining contact and working relationship with counterparts, government and the Mainland

officials are essential. Over the months, BSD's representatives attended visits, meetings and sharing sessions with local and PRC parties including:

- Local Development Bureau, Transport and Housing Bureau, Planning Department, Lands Department, Buildings Department, Architectural Services Department, Fire Services Department, etc.
- PRC Liaison Office of the Central People's Government, Hong Kong and Macau Affairs Office of the State Council, Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development (MOHURD), Ministry of Commerce, China Association of Engineering Consultants (CAEC) etc.



(b) Representatives to External Bodies

Members were nominated to various committees, focus groups and task forces administrated by different government departments and statutory bodies, including Construction Industry Council, Surveyors Registration Board, Hospital Authority, Buildings Department, Electrical and Mechanical Services Department and Water Supplies Department.

(c) Internal Affairs

Members were nominated to various boards, committees and panels of the HKIS and BSD. In addition, BSD Office Bearers were tasked to support and share workload of different Council matters.

Divisional Council & Young Surveyors Group Reports

General Practice Division

Sr Chiu Kam Kuen
GPD Council Chairman



It is my pleasure to present the reports and accounts of General Practice Division for the year 2016/17.

I am particularly pleased to be able to report that 2016/17 was an eventful and another fruitful year for the General Practice Division ("GPD"). I will address some of the achievements in more detail.

HKIS Valuation Standards 2017

The HKIS Valuation Standards 2017 ("the Standards") has come into effect on 30 December 2017. The Standards is mandatory in nature to members of the HKIS, and shall be applied to the valuation reports prepared in respect of all properties to be included in any documents or to be used for any other purposes as referred to in the Standards. Through stringent compliance with the Standards, valuation services that are carried out by Corporate Members of the HKIS can be assured of the best quality and standards. Members would be advised to adopt the new Standards.

The GPD Council initiated a review of the HKIS Valuation Standards 2012 Edition with regard to two newly launched standards – International Valuation Standards 2017 ("IVS2017") and RICS Valuation – Global Standards 2017. After a consultation process and a members' discussion forum, the GPD Council have prepared the HKIS Valuation Standards 2017.

The HKIS has received the confirmation from IVSC for the inclusion of IVS2017 in the new HKIS Valuation Standards and the permission from RICS for the reference to its RICS Valuation - Global Standards 2017. The Standards were approved by the General Council on



9 October 2017, and ratified by a resolution at the General Meeting on 8 December 2017. CPD events will be arranged to highlight the changes to members for easy adoption of the new standards.



HKIS Valuation Standards 2017 Members Forum

HKIS/CIREA Reciprocity Recognition of Membership

The China Appraisal Associations Reciprocity Working Group convened by Sr Alexander Lam successfully accomplished the third China Institute of Real Estate Appraisers and Agents ("CIREA") reciprocity event in July 2017. 80 candidates from the HKIS and 90 candidates from CIREA passed the assessment for membership reciprocity.

Over an 18-month working period, GPD has made preparations for the engagement in the third round of talks with CIREA over the two organisations' reciprocity agreement. It led a number of discussions, conducted a forum for our members, entered into serious negotiations over the programme, invited speakers to its events and finalised the entire reciprocity programme. Two CPD events were arranged for the candidates on the fulfilment of the application requirements. In March 2017, three distinguished speakers from CIREA and the HKIS were invited to give talks. In July 2017, another two-day training session covering a wide variety of topics was conducted by nine guest speakers. The veterans of the profession shared with the candidates the valuation practices in China and Hong Kong.



HKIS / CIREA Reciprocity Examination

Country Park Study

Land and housing supply continues to be one of the major topics of concern for the society. In the 2017 Policy Address, the Chief Executive stated that the Government should consider allocating a small proportion of land on the periphery of country parks with relatively low ecological and public enjoyment value for the construction of public housing and non-profit elderly homes. In May, the Hong Kong Housing Society accepted the Government's invitation to undertake ecological and technical studies of two selected country park sites. The HKIS Land Policy Panel, chaired by Sr C K Lau, led a working group to investigate and study the matter. A members' forum was conducted on 26 June 2017 to share the results of the study and to provide an opportunity for members to discuss and raise comments on developing country park land. The HKIS has formally submitted a consultation paper on the development of the periphery of country parks to the Development Bureau in September 2017, suggesting a detailed report covering the scientific research and assessment criteria would facilitate the Government and the public for further discussions.

Renewal of Land Leases

In response to the public concerns over the renewal of land leases upon their expiry, the HKIS took a proactive approach and suggested that the Government should issue guidelines and explain the administrative procedures and the timeline for the extension or renewal of land leases to the public

as soon as possible. The application period for lease extensions or renewals should be extended in excess of the usual practice of three years before expiry to allow sufficient time for processing. Moreover, the Government should also review its resources, given the expected workload of the Lands Department ("LandsD") which is going to handle the cases. The HKIS met with LandsD in May 2017 for the discussion on the guidelines for lease extensions.

Bills Committee on the Stamp Duty (Amendment) Bill 2017

LegCo invited the HKIS to give its views on the Stamp Duty (Amendment) Bill 2017 during the Bills Committee Meeting on 28 March 2017. The Bill would introduce a new flat rate of 15 per cent for the ad valorem stamp duty (AVD) chargeable on certain instruments that deal with residential properties executed on or after 5 November 2016. The GPD was assigned to take the lead in this exercise and Sr C K Lau was appointed to represent the HKIS at the meeting.

In response to the Government's justifications, the HKIS does not support the Bill in the view that the implementation of the various stamp duty measures since 2010 have distorted Hong Kong's property market to a considerable degree. A paper was submitted to the Bills Committee to address how the stamp duty measures have distorted the property market. It was suggested that Government should review the possibility of abolishing various stamp duties in an orderly manner to prevent further distortions of the property market.

Competition Ordinance

The HKIS Scales of Professional Charges ("Fees Scales") was abolished on 19 September 2016 as advised by the legal counsel, given that the Competition Ordinance came into effect. Now, there is no yardstick to determine the reasonable fee which is payable to our member who has performed professional works. Representatives of the GPD Council and the Working Group on the Competition Ordinance met with officials from the Acquisition Section and Competition Commission of the Lands Department ("LandsD") on 4 January 2017, and suggested that the LandsD could update the relevant parts of the former Fees Scale on a regular basis, in which case, its assessors would at least be equipped with a benchmark for gauging the legitimacy of a fee claim. However, LandsD declined to consider issuing any guideline on fees.

A discussion forum was held on 13 February 2017 to present GPD's previous discussions with LandsD and to gather views from its members. The members are encouraged to keep records of their agreed-upon remunerations with clients in order to establish and substantiate the practicality of fees. It was also suggested that the HKIS appoints an independent body to conduct a confidential fee/hourly rate survey among surveying firms, with the results to be submitted to the LandsD Land Administration Office ("LAO") as a guide to reasonable fees. Further liaisons with the LAO were suggested.

Members' Affairs

Following the APC Part II Assessment held in December 2016, the GPD's 2016 APC and training cycle were successfully completed. A total of 38 probationers passed the APC Part II Assessment and became HKIS GP Surveyors. The GPD hosted a welcome gathering cum outstanding presentation award ceremony on 7 April 2017 at the HKIS SLC. Certificates of Award were presented to the top three candidates in the last APC Part II Assessment. About 50 members and probationers attended the gathering in which they had an opportunity to meet and communicate with the GPD Council members.

To help GPD candidates prepare for the APC Part I written examinations in 2017, the Education Committee, co-convened by Sr Edward Au and Sr Jim Lam, arranged 17 lectures (a total of 51 hours) of the APC SLP to cover the entire syllabus of the APC Part 1 written examination. Following that, a series of revision classes were conducted. An additional APC Part I re-examination was arranged this year to assist those referred candidates from 2016 to get through the APC Part I Assessment more easily. This arrangement enables the marginally failed second year probationers to sit for the referral interview in June instead of waiting until October and December.

A Briefing and Sharing Session on the 2017 APC Part II Assessment was also held to advise the probationers of the key issues and points that they should take note of during their preparations for the Part II Interview.

CPD Panel convener Sr Alnwick Chan, together with Panel members Sr Andrew Chan, Sr Jason CS Chan, and Sr Clara Ho, organised 14 CPD events this year. Guest speakers were invited to share their knowledge, experiences, and views on topics that were of common interest to industry

practitioners. GPD and University of Hong Kong's Department of Real Estate and Construction have jointly organised a new series of Executive Talks in which senior surveying professionals shared their career experiences and views on current pressing issues in the society. The talks were open to all local tertiary institutions offering surveying degrees, HKIS probationers and secondary school students.



GPD Outstanding Presentation Award



Sr Marco Wu Moon-hoi, GBS, SBS, guest speaker of CPD Executive Talk Series: a Talk on Housing in Hong Kong

Mutual Recognition of Membership between GPD and its RICS Counterpart

After the AGM in October 2016, we conducted a discussion forum for the proposed Memorandum on the Mutual Recognition of Membership ("MMRM") between the GPD and its counterpart from the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors ("RICS"). A survey was conducted afterwards to collect the views from our members. The GPD received 156 completed questionnaires and it was noted that members, probationers, and students generally supported further liaisons with the RICS to facilitate discussions on reciprocity. The GPD's HKIS/RICS Liaison Committee ("the Liaison Committee") started to liaise with RICS. After several meetings, both parties agreed to work on a draft agreement based on the framework of the 2005 MMRM to maintain consistency and to expedite the decision-making process.

Another discussion forum was organised on 20 October 2017 and a background paper was distributed to the members who were updated on the progress of the proposed MMRM and to collect their feedback. The Liaison Committee is now finalising the draft MMRM agreement and our recommendations will be submitted to the General Council for further discussion with RICS. We target to execute the agreement in 2018.

Participation in the Global Platform

To maintain the professional competence of the industry at an international standard, GPD keeps constant communications with and participates in overseas professional groups for academic and experience exchanges.

As a member of the Advisory Forum Working Group of the International Valuation Standards Council ("IVSC"), I participated in the working group's meeting in London in June 2017. During the IVSC 2017 Annual General Meeting and Board Meetings in Mexico in October, Sr C K Lau and I attended its conference. The HKIS proactively provides its comments on the consultation for adoption of IVS and the agenda set for valuation standards development. Moreover, the HKIS was assigned as the lead for the geographic outreach project to connect with the IVSC's Valuation Professional Organisation (VPO) / Institutional Member (IM) in Asia Pacific in respect of the activities or initiatives driven by the IVSC.

Sr Edward Au represented the HKIS at the World Association of Valuation Organisations (WAVO) Board Meeting and its AGM in Berlin in June 2017, which were followed by a conference. Further to the signing of the Memorandum of Collaboration with the IVSC in November 2016, WAVO will launch training courses including an e-Learning course for the new IVS 2017. Sr Au also participated in the WAVO Board Meeting which was held in November 2017 in Singapore.



IVSC AGM & Meetings 2017 in Mexico



WAVO Board Meeting and Conference in Berlin

Strategic Growth Committee

In view of the stagnant growth of corporate membership in the GPD in recent years, the Strategic Growth Committee ("the Committee") was set up in January 2017 to formulate directions, strategies, and action plans to expand the number of Corporate Members. One of the action plans identified was to review and suggest possible improvements to the key components of the GPD's existing APC system with a view to providing a clearer path for students and probationers to become qualified GP Surveyors. The Committee discussed the directions in which the APC Part I examination and Part II interview, in particular the requirements set for cognate degree and non-cognate degree probationers, should be structured.

It was agreed in principle that exemption from one, two, three or all of the Part I examination papers may be granted to the holders of certain accredited bachelor's degrees holders, subject to the satisfaction of the Education Committee that appropriate subject(s) has/have been taken by candidates in their university programmes. The Education Committee will amend the APC Rules and Guide of GPD and have it submitted to the Board of Education and General Council for approval. Details will be announced after the approval.

To promote the General Practice surveying profession to the public and the students, the Committee agreed to do some marketing works, including a new information leaflet, a promotional video and a series of interviews of GP veterans to be published on Facebook and in *Surveyors Times*. Council members also actively participated in career talks at universities and schools, introducing the surveying profession to students.



HKIS Career Talk



GPD Annual Dinner

GPD hosted an Annual Dinner in May 2017. It was attended by 103 guests with 40 newly-qualified younger members and probationers. Other attendees included guests from the General Council, industry leaders, members and supporting companies of the industry. The full-house event was successfully held with plenty of time for networking between industry professionals in a warm and cozy environment with lots of laughter. GPD plans to organise more events to encourage younger members to maintain closer ties with the Institute and to connect with experienced industry practitioners.



GPD Annual Dinner 2017

Division Finance

(Unaudited Account for the Period from 1 November 2016 to 31 October 2017)

Income Profile

- Total income for the period was \$652,971.4, representing an increase of about 8.6%.
- Income was derived mainly from CPD events, which was slightly higher than that of the last period by \$9,073.3 (representing an increase of 1.5%). Other minor income was generated from the GPD Annual Dinner.

Expenditure Profile

- Total expenditure for the period amounted to \$425,839.1, representing a significant increase of 37.3%.
- The increment is mainly attributable to three new expenses, i.e.:
 - 50% down payment for production of GPD Promotional Video by HK Cultural Imaging Workshop Limited (\$70,000)
 - GPD Annual Dinner (\$69,657.5)
 - Pre-qualification Structural Learning for

Reciprocal Arrangement with CIREA (\$67,274.99)

- Charges on venue, amounting to \$111,960, is the major spending item, representing approximately 26.3% of the total expenditure. Having said that, such cost has been reduced by \$43,785.4 (-28.1%) as compared with that of the last period.
- Other expenses are well controlled without special issue noticed.

Net Cashflow and Accumulated Balance as at 31 October 2017

- Total net income for the period was \$227,032.28, representing a decrease of \$63,687.5 (-21.9%), which was mainly attributable to the above three new expenses.
- With an opening balance of \$2,359,680.9 as at 1 November 2016, the accumulated balance of GPD amounted to \$2,586,713.2 (which is a new high) as at 31 October 2017.

Acknowledgement

I am truly honoured to have been elected the Chairman and I am grateful to the full support received from the Council and members of GPD. I wish to thank my fellow council members, the panel, the committee and the working group members for their hard work, sacrifice and contributions to GPD. Without these good people, we couldn't have achieved so much in the past two years. I wish the very best for the retiring members, and for the other members who are staying on, I wish you every success in your new undertakings.



GPD Council Members 2015-17

GPD Council Members (2016-2017)

Sr Chiu Kam Kuen	Chairman
Sr Lam Tsan Wing, Alexander	Vice Chairman (External Affairs)
Sr Chan Chak Wa, Jason	Vice Chairman (Internal Affairs)
Sr Wan Wai Ming, Tony	Honorary Treasurer
Sr Lee Bun, Benson	Honorary Secretary
Sr Ho Chin Choi, Joseph	Immediate Past Chairman
Sr Au Sing Hei, Edward	Council Member
Sr Au Yeung Ming Him, Brian	Council Member
Sr Chan Chak Sum, Jason	Council Member
Sr Chan Chi Hing, Alnwick	Council Member
Sr Chan Chi Ping, Ronald	Council Member
Sr Chan Ka Fai, Andrew	Council Member
Sr Chan Tung Ngok, Tony	Council Member
Sr Chow Chi Sang, Victor	Council Member
Sr Ho Ka Ling, Clara	Council Member
Sr Lam Miu Sheung, Kelly	Council Member
Sr Lam Yam On, Jim	Council Member
Sr Lau Chun Kong	Council Member
Sr Prof Poon Wing Cheung, Lawrence	Council Member
Sr Tse Wai Hung, Cliff	Council Member
Sr Wong Ching Hang, Jeffrey	Council Member
Sr Lam Man Ting, Kirsten	YSG Representative
Sr Cheuk Lee Lam, Kendy	YSG Representative
Sr Mui Kai Yeung, David	Co-opt Member
Sr Choi Sin Ying, Icy	Co-opt Member

GPD Representatives in HKIS General Council / Executive Committee / Boards

Executive Committee	Sr K K Chiu
General Council	Sr K K Chiu Sr Alexander Lam Sr Jason C W Chan
Board of Education	Sr Prof Lawrence Poon Sr Jim Lam Sr Kirsten Lam
Board of Membership	Sr Alnwick Chan Sr Cliff Tse
Board of Professional Development	Sr Kelly Lam Sr Jeffrey Wong

Surveyors Registration Board	Sr Tony Chan Sr Herbert Leung Sr Alexander Lam
Disciplinary Panel	Sr Au Sing Hei, Edward Sr Cheung Ping Keung, Donald Sr Chiu Kam Kuen Sr Chung Wing Kai, George Sr Ho Chin Choi, Joseph Sr Lau Sze Wan, Serena Sr Leung Yuk She, Herbert Sr Keith Gordon McKinnell Sr Ng Hang Kwong, Francis Sr Pang Tsan Wing, Kenneth Sr Pang Shiu Kee Sr Poon Nai Tung, Thomas Sr Prof Poon Wing Cheung, Lawrence Sr Tsang Mui Fan, Mimi Sr Wu Moon Hoi, Marco
HKIS - GPD Spokesmen	Sr K K Chiu Sr Alexander Lam Sr Tony Wan Sr Alnwick Chan

GPD Committees / Panels / Working Groups

China Appraisal Associations Reciprocity Working Group	Sr Alexander Lam (Convener) Sr K K Chiu Sr Andrew Chan Sr Kelly Lam Sr Clement Leung Sr Francis Lam Sr Stephen Lin Sr Thomas Lam
CPD Panel	Sr Alnwick Chan (Convener) Sr Jason C S Chan Sr Andrew Chan Sr Clara Ho
GPD Education Committee	Sr Edward Au (co-convener) Sr Jim Lam (co-convener) Sr Tony Wan Sr Joseph Ho Sr Clara Ho Sr Prof Lawrence Poon Sr Victor Chow Sr Kirsten Lam Sr Kendy Cheuk Sr Icy Choi Sr Louie Chan Sr TC Wong Sr Henry Cheng Sr Lennon Choy Sr Juven Sham

GPD Promotional Video Committee	Sr Victor Chow (Convener) Sr Kendy Cheuk Sr Kirsten Lam Sr David Mui Sr Icy Choi Sr Jason Kwong
HKIS/ RICS Liaison Committee	Sr Jason C W Chan (Convener) Sr Jason C S Chan Sr Edward Au Sr Jim Lam Sr K K Chiu Sr C K Lau Sr Cliff Tse Sr Tony Chan
Strategic Growth Committee	Sr Alexander Lam (co-convener) Sr Jason C W Chan (co-convener) Sr K K Chiu Sr Benson Lee Sr C K Lau Sr Tony Chan Sr Jim Lam Sr Clara Ho Sr Jason C S Chan Sr Victor Chow Sr Kirsten Lam Sr Kendy Cheuk Sr Icy Choi Sr Louie Chan Sr T C Wong Sr Henry Cheng Sr Lennon Choy Sr Juven Sham
Urban Regeneration Concern Group	Sr Tony Chan (Convener) Sr C K Lau Sr K K Chiu Sr Victor Chow Sr Alex Fong Sr Winnie Koo (URA) Sr Bruchi Nam (URA)
Valuation Liaison Meeting	Sr Alnwick Chan (Convener) Sr Tony Chan Sr Tony Wan Sr Victor Chow
Valuation Standards Panel	Sr C K Lau (Convener) Sr K K Chiu Sr Alnwick Chan Sr Joseph Ho Sr Andrew Fung Sr Simon Wang Sr L Y Choi

GPD Representatives in HKIS Committees / Panels / Working Groups

Administration Committee	Sr C K Lau Sr Jason C W Chan
BIM Committee	Sr Jason C W Chan
Community and Charity Services Committee	Sr Jason C S Chan Sr Icy Choi
Dispute Resolution Committee	Sr Alnwick Chan Sr Victor Chow Sr Tony Chan (alternate member)
Editorial Board	Sr Tony Chan Sr Thomas Lam
Finance Committee	Sr Tony Wan
Government Departments Liaison Committee	Sr K K Chiu
HKIS / RICS Liaison Committee	Sr Jason C W Chan Sr C K Lau
IT Committee	Sr Victor Chow
Land Boundary Committee	Sr Jason C S Chan Sr Jim Lam
Mainland Affairs Committee	Sr K K Chiu Sr Alexander Lam Sr Tony Chan (alternate member)
Task Force on Belt and Road Initiatives	Sr K K Chiu Sr Alexander Lam Sr Tony Chan
Members Welfare Committee	Sr Jason C S Chan Sr Icy Choi
Project Management Committee	Sr Joseph Ho
Public and Social Affairs Committee	Sr Jeffrey Wong Sr Clara Ho
Research Committee	Sr Jim Lam Sr Thomas Lam
Senior Members' Committee	Sr Tony Chan Sr Jim Lam
Sports and Recreation Committee	Sr Jason C S Chan
Standing Committee on Code of Measuring Practice	Sr Prof Lawrence Poon Sr Ronald Chan
Strategic Planning Committee	Sr K K Chiu Sr Alexander Lam Sr Tony Chan (alternate member)

HKIS Annual Conference 2017 Organising Committee	Sr Cliff Tse Sr Kirsten Lam
HKIS Annual Dinner 2017 Organising Committee	Sr Jason C S Chan Sr Kendy Cheuk
HKIS / SPRA** Liaison Group (**Sales of First-hand Residential Properties Authority)	Sr Prof Lawrence Poon Sr Edward Au
Building Policy Panel	Sr Jim Lam Sr Tony Wan
Housing Policy Panel	Sr Jim Lam Sr Thomas Lam Sr Tony Chan (alternate member)
Land Policy Panel	Sr C K Lau Sr Henry Cheng Sr Tony Chan (alternate member)
Working Group on Competition Ordinance	Sr Alnwick Chan Sr Tony Chan
Working Group on Green Building	Sr Jeffrey Wong Sr Jason C S Chan
Working Group on Heritage	Sr Cliff Tse
Working Group on HKIS Long Term Branding Project	Sr Jeffrey Wong Sr Icy Choi
Working Group on Lantau Development	Sr Alexander Lam Sr Benson Lee
Working Group on Security of Payment	Sr Tony Wan

Divisional Council & Young Surveyors Group Reports

Land Surveying Division

Sr Dr Conrad Tang
LSD Council Chairman



Hi, land surveyors,

Time flies. It is time to review our work accomplished this year, and look into the coming year. The 2017 Council continued with four tasks, namely, 1. Land Boundary Survey; 2. New surveying applications in Smart City; 3. Membership and Mainland affairs; and 4. House-keeping works. Major activities and issues are summarised for your information as below.

1. Land Boundary Survey

Sr Prof S C Leung has continuously led the Land Boundary Committee (LBC) in the promulgation of determined boundary practices in Hong Kong. Albeit primitive in legal settings, the administration sector, i.e., the Hong Kong SAR Government, should provide effective land boundary re-establishment services. With the advice from LBC, Buildings Department has decisively improved the site area determination process. In short, if a lease plan is not available, the Site Area Plan prepared by an Authorised Land Surveyor (ALS) could be adopted as the evidence of the site area. This practice has practically overcome the shortfall of our primitive leasehold land rights registration without legal sanction on land boundaries. As reported from the ALSs, this practice was welcomed by developers, professionals and land-development-related government departments.

Next year, the Land Boundary Committee will continue its communications with Development Bureau, particularly, to promote the land boundary determination scheme for the acceptance by the departments under Development Bureau. We stress that an ALS is the professional who should shoulder the responsibility of boundary determination; however, the submitted and accepted determination can be amended if new evidence is available. Land surveyors should co-operate and build a viable solution for the final legal record of determined land boundaries.

2. New Surveying Applications in Smart City

The second task was on the development of Smart City applications. Land surveyors who master new technologies including 3D modelling, remote sensing, UAV and BIM will contribute a lot to Smart City. LSD was consulted by the Government on the policy of Common Spatial Data Infrastructure in May 2016, and Sr Dr Lesly Lam and Sr Paul Tsui contributed to the meeting. In the Beijing, Hong Kong and Macau Geomatics Conference, LSD presented the advanced technology on rapid formation of city by using UAV. The project was led by Sr Thomas Lee, and the remote sensing applications were led by Dr Charles Wong.



The promotion of new land surveying applications has always been one of our tasks. There are new land surveying technologies and applications around, but many practitioners may not be our members. Understanding that it is our role to introduce new technologies to our industry, LSD encourages our involvement in the new operations. Equally important, we also consider to invite high calibre professionals in related fields like utility, remote sensing and BIM to join us.

3. Membership and Mainland Affairs

Membership has always been a sensitive issue. Last year, as well as in the coming year, LSD continues to uphold two main themes. First, as the government's recognised land surveying professional institute, we have the obligation to maintain a constant supply of professional workforce in the open market. This professional workforce must keep up with the professional and technical standards as maintained by LSD of the HKIS. The Assessment of Professional Competence (APC) is an established mechanism in securing the quality of the incoming members. Treading this theme, LSDEC advises and facilitates probationers in going through this quality assurance process. We thus have a modest increase of seven corporate members in the past year (see below table).

Membership number of Land Surveying Division	2016	2017
Fellow	45	46
Corporate	225	232
Associate	48	34
RPS (LS)	127	141
ALS	27	26

The second theme is the extension of our professional influence in this ever changing world. In practice, LSD has been promoting our professional involvements in newly emerging services which include BIM, 3D modelling, Virtual Reality, UAV, spatial scanning, remote sensing and all location based services (LBS). We understand that various technologies and professions are involved in these emerging services, but we are well qualified to contribute. More importantly, we need to show and to claim that we are the most suitable party to provide such services. CPD events now serve as a platform for the sharing of new technologies to our members. Yet, attracting fore-front practitioners in the ever changing LBS will be another important theme for our development.

To help the leading practitioners in the new surveying technology sector of LBS (which includes engineering surveying, remote sensing, utility, GIS & BIM), LSD has obtained approval from the Board of Examination that our division may grant exemptions from the submission of structured training records by the probationers. In short, such probationers still have to go through all written assessments, including APC Part I written examination, APC Part II professional report and attending the final professional interview. Hopefully, this practice will help our institute to attract new members and strengthen our new surveying professionals.



With regard to interactions with the Mainland, LSD followed the HKIS Office Bearers to visit the National Surveying Bureau on 6 and 7 November 2017, and gave a short report on the progress of the Application to the Hong Kong Professional Services Advancement Support Scheme (PASS). The panel of the PASS planned to meet in January 2018 and HKIS will receive the decision on the application by March 2018. The application seeks a funding of 2.6 million dollars to support three promotional activities in Belt and Road countries, as well as seminars and conferences in Hong Kong. The membership of the HKIS in the International Federation of Surveyors was also brought up. The National Surveying Bureau would like to see Hong Kong more actively participating in international professional activities. Lastly, the examination and license system for the national land surveyors will be completed in 2020. Hong Kong SAR is urged to participate in this system.

4. House-keeping Works

The day-to-day house-keeping tasks always demand great efforts from our young members. Keeping our website updated, organising 14 events of CPDs, working on our Annual Dinner, APC workshops and Probationer Meetings, our councils have contributed a lot in the operation and management of the services. I wholeheartedly thank our councils and the colleagues of the Land Surveying Division Education Council, and look forward to hearing from and meeting our members in the Year of the Dog.

Divisional Council & Young Surveyors Group Reports

Planning & Development Division

**Sr Prof James Pong***PDD Council Chairman*

It has been my honor to continue with the chairmanship and lead the Planning and Development Division for another year in 2016/17. In my report, I shall summarise what I have done for the past 12 months:-

1. PDD Annual Conference 2017

The Conference titled "Country Park-Conservation or Development?" was successfully held at the Royal Plaza Hotel in Mongkok. It was well-received by over 200 participants. Similar to last year, friends from the media were invited, and their attentions were fully drawn to the distinguished speakers throughout the conference. The Conference was unprecedented for PDD in both its scale and number of participants.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the following learned speakers again for their valuable contributions to the conference:-

- Mr Eric Ma Siu Cheung, GBS, JP, Immediate Past Secretary for Development,
- Mr Raymond Lee, JP, Director of Planning, HKSAR Government
- Prof Wong Fook Yee, Former Assistant Director of Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation, HKSAR Government
- Prof Lam Chiu Ying, SBS, Adjunct Professor of the Geography Resource Management Department of the Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Prof Ng Cho Nam, SBS, BBS, JP, Associate Professor of the Department of Geography of the University of Hong Kong

2. Annual Dinner 2017

On 13 October 2017, the 2017 PDD Annual Dinner was successfully held at the Craigengower Cricket Club in Causeway Bay, Hong Kong. Ten tables were booked with participation of over 125 diners. Many honourable guests attended this dinner, including more than 20 guests from relevant government departments, professional institutes and educational institutes:-

- 傅芃芃博士, Deputy Researcher of Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the HKSAR Education and Technology Ministry
- Dr Cheung Tin Cheung, JP, Director of Buildings
- Sr Marco Wu, GBS, SBS, Chairman of the Housing Society
- Sr Victor So, SBS, Chairman of the Urban Renewal Authority
- Ir Eric Ma, GBS, JP, Principal Consultant, HK Science & Technology Park
- Sr Tony Tse, BBS, LegCo Member (Architectural, Surveying, Planning and Landscape) 2012 - 2016
- Sr Wong Bay, Chairman of Hong Kong Green Building Council
- Ir Cary Chan, Executive Director of Hong Kong Green Building Council
- Mr K M So, Chairperson of BEAM Society Limited
- Sr Thomas Ho, President of HKIS
- Mr Benny Chan, Honorary Treasurer of HKIA
- Mr Wong Tak Yip & Miss Iris Hoi, President and Vice-President of HKILA
- Mr Ivan K W Tam, President of HKICS
- Cr Tang Chi-wang, President of HKICM
- Sr Dr Tony Leung, Immediate Past Chairman of PDD
- Sr Stephen Lai, Chairman of the Mainland Affairs Committee, HKIS
- Prof Rebecca Chiu, Head of Department of Urban Planning & Design, the University of Hong Kong
- Prof Jimmy Fung, Head of Division of Environment and Sustainability, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
- Prof Edwin Chan, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
- Prof Daniel Ho, Technological and Higher Education Institute of Hong Kong
- Dr Li Xin, City University of Hong Kong

I was introduced by the masters of ceremony, Sr Victor Ng and Miss Michelle Yeung (student in the HKU BAUS programme), before making a short speech, which was followed by a toasting before

the dinner began. The dinner featured great food, fine French wine (Burgundy white, La Cases, and Haut Laffite red), soft live music by members of the HKIS Surveyors' Band and lucky draws. The whole banquet hall was filled with warm exchanges, joy, and laughter.

I want to thank our organising committee members for their excellent planning and arrangement, without which the annual dinner could not have been so successful.

3. Metro Radio Programme

On 17 November 2016, I was interviewed by Mr Tony Lam, the Producer and Host of Metro Radio, on the programme "宇宙狂熱". It was broadcasted from 11:00 p.m. to 12:00 mid-night on 14 December 2016 (Wednesday). The interview covered mainly the topics on the government's proposed master planning known as "Hong Kong 2030+" and various development controls in Hong Kong such as those in relation to outline zoning plans, building regulations and government lease conditions.

4. CPDs

During my term of office, PDD has successfully organised 13 CPDs and site visits, covering a diverse scope of professional knowledge/practices such as underground space development, co-working space, heritage conservation, technical site visits to aluminum windows and door factory, application of drone in construction industry, green paint procurement and the considerations of Mainland developers in land bidding:-

No.	Date	Topic	Speaker
1	16 Dec 2016	Landscape Architecture + Urban Forestry Challenges + Opportunities	Ms Deborah Kuh Wen-Gee
2	5 Jan 2017	Does the Industrial Building Stock Matter to Hong Kong?	Mr Jimmy CF Fung
3	19 Jan 2017	Proposed Underground Space Development in Selected Strategic Urban Areas by CEDD and PlanD	Dr Johnny Cheuk (AECOM), Mr Mann Chow (PlanD), Senior Engineer from CEDD
4	6 Feb 2017	Impacts of Smart Technologies and Cities on Urban Development and Planning	Prof Anthony Yeh
5	16 Feb 2017	Experience Sharing on Heritage Conservation and Revitalisation Scheme Projects	Mr Eric CM Lee
6	18 Feb 2017	Site Visit to the Blue House Cluster – A Revitalisation Scheme Project	Mr Eric CM Lee

7	25 Feb 2017	Site Visit to Tai O Police Station at Tai O – A Revitalisation Scheme Project	Mr Eric CM Lee
8	6 May 2017	Technical Visit to an Aluminum Window and Door Factory in Daya Bay, Shenzhen	Sunrise Aluminium (Hong Kong) Co Ltd
9	17 May 2017	Positioning of Developers with Various Backgrounds in Changing Competitive Landscape of the Hong Kong Real Estate Market	Sr Dr Lesly Lam
10	10 Jun 2017	Drone Applications and Development Relations between Industries (Series 1)	Mr Rickson Chow
11	24 July 2017	The Effects of the Interest Rate Hike Cycle on the Property Market of Hong Kong	Mr Paul Pong
12	15 Sep 2017	Green Procurement and Paint Knowledge Sharing	Nippon Paint (HK) Co Ltd
13	23 Nov 2017	Brownfield Sites in the New Territories	Dr Li Xin

5. Meetings with Government Officials

On behalf of PDD and with the assistance of the Executive Committee of the HKIS, I met and/or had discussions with the following Government Officials on various issues relating to the growth and recognition of PDD as well as how PDD can contribute our professional views on government policies and activities:-

- Mr C Y Leung , GBM, GBS, JP, Former Chief Executive, together with other four professional institutes, HKIA, HKIE, HKILA and HKIP on 24 February 2017
- Mr Paul Chan, GBM, GBS, MH, JP, Financial Secretary, together with some of the senior officials on 8 March 2017
- Prof Anthony Cheung, GBS, JP, Secretary for Transport & Housing, Mr Yau Shing Mu, Under Secretary for Transport & Housing and Mr Stanley Ying, Permanent Secretary for Transport & Housing (Housing) on 6 June 2017
- Mr Eric Ma, GBS, JP, Secretary for Development and Mr CK Hon, Permanent Secretary for Development on 13 June 2017
- Mr Victor So, SBS, JP, Chairman of Urban Renewal Authority on 6 July 2017
- Dr Cheung Tin-Cheung, JP, Director of Buildings Department together with BD senior officials on 11 August 2017
- Mr Raymond Lee, JP, Director of Planning together with some of senior officials on 16 August 2017
- Officers from China's Liaison Office on 11 September 2017

6. Meeting with the Media

On 8 February 2017, I disseminated the theme for PDD in 2017 to the friends from the media. The theme was two-fold: first, continue to strive for our PDD graduates' eligibility for the graduate posts offered by Planning Department, Lands Department and Buildings Department; second, continue to involve actively in government consultations in relation to proposed developments in Hong Kong, including the developments on Lantau, North Eastern New Territories developments, and the development of country parks in the New Territories.

7. Meeting with MSc Students

On 2 September 2017, the PDD joined a HKU Career Talk for students pursuing the programme on MSc in Real Estate (Urban Development Stream). Along with President Sr Thomas Ho, the PDD representatives gave a brief introduction of the scope of work for PDD Surveyors. We also introduced our APC programme and discussed with the students the career prospects for PDD Surveyors. We had a very good sharing session with the students during which we covered various topics in detail, including the daily work of our representatives. Lastly, we extended our invitation to the students to join the PDD's CPD events and council meetings in the future.

8. Consultation Forum on Underground Space Development

On 19 January 2017, PDD and YSG invited Dr Johnny Cheuk, the Executive Director (Geotechnical) of AECOM; Mr Mann Chow, the Senior Town Planner of the Planning Department (PlanD) and a Senior Geotechnical Engineer of the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) to deliver a joint CPD at the Surveyors Learning Centre. In the forum, the speakers shared their research findings and insights on three proposed locations for underground space development in Hong Kong, i.e. (a) Tsim Sha Tsui West, (b) Admiralty/Wan Chai, and (c) Causeway Bay/Happy Valley.

9 Re-accreditation for the Relevant Programmes

In April 2017, the HKIS reassessed the relevant surveying programmes run by HKU. I was honoured this year having been appointed as the panel chairman to assess the courses for the Bachelor of Arts degree in Urban Studies (BAUS), as well as having been a member of the panel led

by Sr Raymond Kong to assess the Bachelor of Science in Surveying, Master of Science in Project Management and Master of Science in Real Estate.

10. Accreditation of CityU's Revised Master's Programme

On 14 June 2017, PDD Hon Secretary Sr Victor Ng and I were invited by Dr Li of City University of Hong Kong to discuss on the refinement of its Master of Urban Design and Regional Planning programme and the enrichment of its cognitive contents to fulfill the PDD's accreditation requirements. We had a very good discussion and we gave some comments on how to revise the programme in order to meet the accreditation requirements for PDD.

11. HKIS Diploma Presentation

On 9 June 2017, PDD members attended the HKIS diploma presentation ceremony. I sent my warmest congratulations to our PDD members Sr William Yip and Sr Louis Leung for receiving the Fellow Membership of the HKIS.

12. Building Surveyor Awards 2017

On 8 June 2017, I was invited by the BSD to attend the Building Surveyor Awards Ceremony 2017 cum Gala Dinner at the Marriott Hotel. I appreciate the hospitality from my building surveying friends and the warm welcome by some of the honourable guests. The alteration and addition (A&A) project supervised by Raymond Chan & Surveyors Ltd won the BS Award. Incidentally, the contractor for that A&A project was a subsidiary of my company.

13. HKIS Charitable Foundation Ltd

On 28 June 2017, I joined the Annual General Meeting of the HKIS Charitable Foundation Ltd, during which the Foundation's 2017/18 Board of Directors were confirmed as follows:

Chairman	Sr Ho Kwok Kwan, Thomas
Vice Chairman	Sr Kwok Ngok Chung, Dick
Honorary Secretary	Sr Kung Sui Lun, Andrew
Honorary Treasurer	Sr Wong Yiu Cho, Joseph
Member	Sr Chiu Kam Kuen
Member	Sr Lai Yuk Fai, Stephen
Member	Sr Lau Chun Kong
Member	Sr Prof Pong Kam Keung, James
Member	Sr Kam Ka Fai, Raymond

14. Exchange with the Guangdong Professional Institute on Property Valuation

On 24 August 2017, the HKIS held a discussion with the Association of Guangdong Asset Appraisal to exchange professional views on various methods of valuation as well as on how to conduct property valuations with a view to enhancing future cooperation.

15. Delivering Professional Services in Guangdong and Hong Kong - 「粵港服務業交流會」暨《2017在粵香港服務業企業名冊》發佈會

During the conference on 29 August 2017, speeches on various topics were delivered by the following distinguished speakers:-

- 香港貿易發展局亞洲及新興市場首席經濟師何達權先生 --- CEPA《投資協議》及《經濟技術合作協議》
- 廣東省商務廳代表 --- 廣東省服務貿易開放最新政策
- 普華永道中國稅務及商務諮詢合夥人王舜宜 --- 《廣東省現代服務業發展“十三五”規劃》為服務業帶來的商機
- 中山大學粵港澳發展研究院教授張光南 --- 粵港服務貿易自由化實施的問題與挑戰
- 前海香港商會主席林新強、香港建築師學會戚務誠、以及東亞銀行廣州分行副行長吳珊珊 --- 粵港服務業攜手“走出去”發展海外市場的經驗分享

16. “Create Your District” Competition 2017

On 19 August 2017, Sr Wong Bay represented the PDD at the HKIS's “Create your District” Competition 2017 and introduced the role of a PDD surveyor to the media and the students.

17. New PDD Members

In September 2017, 6 members successfully joined the PDD through the HKIS's multiple membership route. Their assessments have been completed and the nominees will become PDD members as soon as PDD Council obtains the endorsement from the HKIS Membership Committee.

18. Lecturing at My Alma Mater HKU

On 29 March 2017, I was invited to deliver a 2-hour

lecture to the year one MSc (Urban Planning) students at the University of Hong Kong. I covered the development controls in Hong Kong, namely: (a) the statutory controls under (i) the Town Planning Ordinance Cap. 131, and (ii) the Buildings Ordinance Cap. 123; and (b) the administrative controls under the government lease.

19. Financial Surplus for 2016/2017

For the year under my leadership, there were three main sources of income:-

CPD events	\$127,467.90
Annual Conference	\$157,750.00
Annual Dinner	\$50,700.00

After deducting all the expenses for the year 2016/17, there was a net surplus of \$72,298.94. This amount together with our asset carried forward from the previous year 2015/6¹, totaling at \$253,982.71² will be handed over to the next council.

Finally, before I pass the torch to the next council and my successor, I would like to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt thanks to all past chairmen, office bearers and council members for their unfailing support, without which I could not have completed all the works in the past two years so efficiently and smoothly. There was about 8% of membership growth. I hope the next council will be even more successful in growing membership without lowering standards, and recruiting more new blood from the ranks of students and graduates from the newly-accredited university courses. This will definitely provide the necessary impetus for PDD's future growth.

1. \$181,683.77

2. An increase of 40% when compared with the previous year 2015/16

Divisional Council & Young Surveyors Group Reports

Property & Facility Management Division



Sr Prof Eddie Hui, MH
PFMD Council Chairman

This has been a fruitful year for the PFMD in which a number of critical issues have been addressed and various tasks have been successfully accomplished. Moreover, some CPD events have been organised to enhance the technical know-how of the members.

I would like to summarise the major activities organised and tasks performed over the past year for members' information.

1. Research

Two research studies were completed. One of the research topics was "The Effective Use of Web-based Tools for Property Management Companies in Hong Kong". The PFMD commissioned HKU to conduct this study. Its objectives were twofold. First, the study would investigate the latest developments in web-based property management tools in Hong Kong. Second, it would try to find out the ways to improve the user-friendliness of the current interfaces, which would then allow home-owners to get around with the available functions more easily. The study also explored the extent to which one can maximise the capabilities of web-based and cloud technologies and how this could benefit the PFM profession.

PolyU was commissioned by the PFMD to conduct the other study with the research topic "The Relationship between Green-Certified (BEAM Plus) Buildings and Property Prices in Hong Kong.". The aim of this study was to investigate the relationship between the transaction prices of flats in residential developments and BEAMS Plus certifications.

Both reports have been completed and their findings were uploaded to the HKIS website for your reference.

2. Regulation of the Property and Facility Management Industry

Following LegCo's enactment of the Property Management Services Ordinance, the Property Management Services Authority (PMSA) was established in late 2016. It is responsible for regulating the mandatory licensing regimes for property and facility management companies and practitioners in Hong Kong. In October 2017, the PMSA held two focus group meetings to solicit views on licensing issues for companies and practitioners. During these meetings, the PFMD spoke on behalf of its members. It also worked with the other major stakeholders of the industry (HKIH, CIHAPB, HKAPMC, HKIFM, HMRC, and RICS) to draft and submit a joint letter to the PMSA to further articulate their concerns on important regulatory issues such as the definition of property management, licensing requirements for property management companies, the academic requirements, professional qualifications, and amount of experience required for Tier 1 and Tier 2 property management practitioners.

3. CPD Events and Site Visits

The following is a summary of the CPD events and site visits conducted by the PFMD over the past 12 months.

12 December 2016	Development and Application of Mobile Experience and Smart Infrastructure for the PFM Industry
21 January 2017	CPD Site Visit to QPFMA 2016 Winner Sites
26 April 2017	Sharing Session on "The Effective Use of Web-based Tools for Property Management Companies in Hong Kong" by HKU's Department of Real Estate & Construction

10 June 2017	CPD Visit to the Happy Valley Underground Stormwater Storage Scheme
16 June 2017	Licensing Requirements for Residential Care Homes for the Elderly in Hong Kong
10 August 2017	Sharing Session on "The Relationship between Green-Certified (BEAM Plus) Buildings and Property Prices in Hong Kong" by the Department of Building and Real Estate, PolyU
19 August 2017	Technical Visit to a Residential Care Home for the Elderly (RCHE)
16 September 2017	Case-Sharing cum Site Visit to the BEAM Society Limited (BSL) – Office RenoGreen (Final Platinum in BEAM Plus Interior)
10 October 2017	Doctor's Sharing Session with Surveyors on Organ Donation and Transplant and Prevention Strategy for Infectious Diseases



Sharing Session on "The Effective Use of Web-based Tools for Property Management Companies in Hong Kong" by HKU's Department of Real Estate & Construction



Technical Visit to a Residential Care Home for the Elderly (RCHE)



Doctor's Sharing Session with Surveyors on Organ Donation and Transplant and Prevention Strategy for Infectious Diseases

4. Membership Growth

As at 13 October 2017, the total number of Corporate Members in the PFMD was 769, of which 734 held multiple memberships. In addition, there were 33 probationers and seven student members.

5. Study Tour Sponsorship Assessment Working Group

The Division has been cultivating young people to study in and contribute to the PFM sector. To this end, it recently set up a working group to review the study tour proposal(s). This initiative aims to provide financial assistance for study tours to potential PFM practitioners who fulfill the Division's funding criteria.

6. Promoting Property and Facility Management Services

The PFMD has actively promoted itself to the general public through a wide range of activities over the past year. It is through these activities that the PFMD has been playing a more influential role in the society – particularly among the secondary schools and tertiary education institutions. In addition, it has spared no effort in supporting the structural learning process for the probationers. Some major events are:

- The support of the "Touring Sham Shui Po with Surveyors" activity as one of the cicerones in 2017 events which has helped participants in the tour understand the contributions made by surveyors to the development of Hong Kong and, more specifically, the role of the PFMD surveyors in this development process.
- The participation in the mentorship programme at Shatin Pui Ying College and sharing the general duties of surveyors in the various divisions, as well as the experiences of the PFMD surveyors in delivering project and property management services for various financial institutions in Hong Kong.
- Continued support of PolyU's Info day by arranging for younger surveyors to share their personal experiences and career development paths with prospective students.

- d. Working together with PFMD Council Members and the HKIS IT department in uploading the PFMD's past exam papers on assessing professional competency (APC) to the HKIS website, which has helped APC probationers better prepare for their professional examinations.
- e. Preparation of APC-related templates for Critical Analyses, Interim Assessment Reports, Training Plans, Property Rotation Schedule, Competence Checklists and CPD Event Log Sheets, which has effectively helped probationers in the structural learning process and professional examinations.

7. Dispute Resolution Committee (DRC)

In order to increase the HKIS's public exposure, its DRC proposed the introduction of the Mediation Pro-bono Scheme to the public. The Scheme's pamphlet, application form, and disclaimer clause are being prepared for its launch in the near future.

8. Members Welfare Committee

In addition to the drinks gathering arranged by the Members Welfare Committee on 5 June 2017, the PFMD also plans to hold the following welfare events:

- a. Pet Fun Day in West Kowloon
- b. Different recreational activities: bowling, basketball, yoga and a visit to TVB Studios
- c. Green ecotourism and cultural & ecological tour.

9. Heritage Committee

The Heritage Committee decided to invest \$2 million in the Funding Scheme for Public Engagement Projects on Built Heritage Conservation from the Built Heritage Conservation Fund, with three Priority Project Themes to choose from:

- a. Timely Maintenance and Conservation of Privately-owned Historic Buildings
- b. Our Community's Built Heritage
- c. Young Force in Old Buildings

Following detailed discussions, the Committee decided to choose Theme A because it can

demonstrate the expertise of surveyors and promote the HKIS's professional image to the public. A Task Force, with one representative from each Division and YSG, along with two past presidents, was formed to prepare the proposal and the necessary documents. The submission of which is now under review.

9. The Way Forward

I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to our Council Members for their unfailing support and their valuable contributions to the PFMD. Special thanks go to all fellow members who are committed to the Division's well-being. With your support, I expect the continuous success of the PFMD in the years ahead.

Quantity Surveying Division

Sr Raymond Kam
QSD Council Chairman



INTRODUCTION

Year 2016/2017 was a busy year for the Quantity Surveying Division (QSD). A number of events and activities, both external and internal took place. The QSD Chairman's Report for the past 12 months is presented in the following categories.

- 1. INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS**
- 2. MAINLAND AFFAIRS**
- 3. MACAU AFFAIRS**
- 4. NETWORKING WITH EXTERNAL BODIES**
- 5. NETWORKING WITH MEMBERS**
- 6. ASSESSMENT OF PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE (APC)**
- 7. PRE-QUALIFICATION STRUCTURED LEARNING (PQSL) AND CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)**
- 8. PUBLICATIONS**
- 9. PROMOTION OF THE QUANTITY SURVEYING PROFESSION**
- 10. BUILDING INFORMATION MODELLING (BIM)**
- 11. CONTRACT FORMS**
- 12. NEW LEGISLATIONS**
- 13. CONCLUSIONS**



Group photo of the QSD Council 2016/17 after attending the QSD AGM 2016

1. INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

1.1 Visit by the Singapore Building & Construction Authority (20/3/2017)

On 20 March 2017, QSD received a big delegation from Singapore Building & Construction Authority (SG BCA). The delegation was represented by Dr John Keung, SG BCA CEO, and eleven members.

QSD was honoured by the presence of current and past HKIS Presidents in welcoming and receiving the SG BCA delegation:

- Sr Thomas Ho (HKIS President)
- Sr T T Cheung (HKIS Past President)

QSD's welcoming committee comprised:

- Sr Raymond Kam (Chairman)
- Sr Raymond Kong and Sr Amelia Fok (Vice Chairmen)
- Sr Sunny Choi (Hon Secretary)
- Sr Paul Wong (Immediate Past Chairman)
- Sr Keith Yim (Past Chairman)
- Sr K C Tang and Sr H Y Wan (Council members)

The purpose of the visit was mainly to discuss on procurements and contracts with an emphasis on the adoption of NEC in Hong Kong building and civil engineering projects. It was a very enjoyable and fruitful exchange of views on various topics regarding procurement strategies and the possible adoption of NEC by the SG BCA.

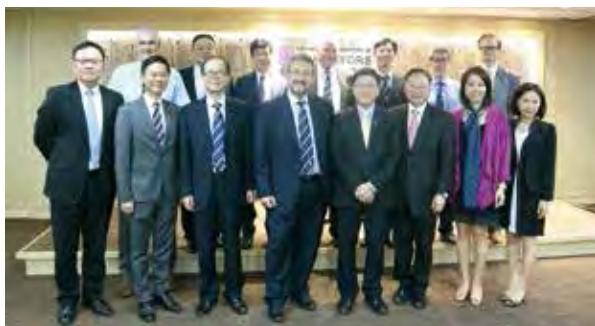


1.2 Visit by the President of the Chartered Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors (7/4/2017)

The President of the Chartered Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors (ICES), Mr Harry Bell, visited the Institute on 7 April 2017. He was accompanied by the Chairman of ICES (Hong Kong Region), and a delegation of eight. I attended the meeting along with the following HKIS representatives: Sr Thomas Ho (President), Sr Tony Chan (Honorary Secretary), Sr Raymond Kong (QSD Vice Chairman), Sr Paul Wong (QSD Immediate Past Chairman), and Sr Michael Wong (LSD Council member).

During the meeting, Mr Bell and his delegates briefly explained ICES's recent developments in respect of the CEng and Engineering Council; future collaboration under the ICES Second Strategic Plan, 2017-2021; and its reciprocal recognition of professional membership with the HKIS. President Ho and I shared the HKIS views on the reciprocal agreement.

Both institutes agreed to collaborate in future CPDs and explore the possibility of organising other joint functions, including joint seminars/workshops, for their members to enhance their eligibility for reciprocal membership along the path of reciprocity agreement.



1.3 The ICES Annual Dinner 2017 (7/4/2017)

The ICES Annual Dinner 2017 was held at the Royal Plaza Hotel Grand Ballroom in the evening of 7 April 2017. HKIS President, Sr Thomas Ho and I attended this event, which was a very useful gathering for the maintenance of dialogues and exchange of views on professional issues with ICES.



1.4 Accreditation Visit to the University of Reading Malaysia in Johor Bahru, Malaysia (8/5/2017)

I was appointed Chair of the PAQS Accreditation Panel to assess the QS (Hons) degree course at the University of Reading Malaysia in Johor Bahru, Malaysia. The assessment was conducted with Sr Prof Florence Ling from the Singapore Institute of Surveyors and Valuers (SISV) and Sr Dr Wan Maimum Wan Abdullah from the Royal Institution of Surveyors Malaysia (RISM) at the university's campus on 8 May 2017. The visit was a full-day event. We were impressed by the school facilities and the enthusiasm of the teaching staff. This is an overseas degree course run by the University of Reading and has the same structure and design as the one in England. The campus is a new construction that takes into account sustainability elements and has a huge indoor welcoming green space.



1.5 Accreditation Visit to the University of Malaya at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (9/5/2017)

The same team made an accreditation visit to the University of Malaya in Kuala Lumpur on 9 May 2017. The prospective accreditation was for the Bachelor of Quantity Surveying programme. The University of Malaya was established over 60 years ago with a large campus of over 920 acres and over 17,000 students. The visit was very successful and well-organised by the Department of Quantity Surveying, Faculty of Built Environment.



1.6 The 21st Pacific Association of Quantity Surveyors (PAQS) Congress 2017 in Vancouver, Canada (22 – 25/7/2017)

1.6.1 Introduction

The PAQS is an international association of the quantity surveying and cost engineering professions in the Asia-Pacific region. Members comprise quantity surveying and cost engineering institutions from 14 countries/regions including Australia, Brunei, Canada, China, Fiji, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, New Zealand, Philippines, Singapore, and Sri Lanka. The HKIS is a full member of the PAQS. South Korea's KIQS became an associate member last year.

The 21st PAQS Congress 2017 was held during 22-25 July 2017 at the Westin Bayshore Hotel in Vancouver, Canada. The Canadian Institute of Quantity Surveyors (CIQS) served as the organiser of the Congress.

1.6.2 Hong Kong Delegates

Altogether, 16 delegates from the HKIS attended the PAQS Congress. President Sr Thomas Ho; Past Presidents, Sr TT Cheung and Sr Francis Leung; myself as the QSD Chairman; QSD Vice Chairman, Sr Raymond Kong; QSD Honorary Secretary, Sr Sunny Choi; Past QSD Chairmen, Sr Daniel Ho, Sr Dr Paul Ho, and Sr Antony Man; QSD Council members, Sr KC Tang, Sr Joseph Chong, and Sr Dr Sandy Tang; YSG representatives Sr Karen Wong and Sr Frank Poon; and QSD members, Sr Dr Leung Mei-yung and Sr Ellen Lau formed the delegation.



1.6.3 PAQS BIM Committee Meeting (22/7/2017)

Sr Sunny Choi (PAQS BIM Committee Vice Chairman and QSD Honorary Secretary), Sr Dr Paul Ho (QSD Past Chairman) and Sr KC Tang (QSD Co-opted member), joined the PAQS BIM Committee meeting held on 22 July 2017.

To improve collaboration among members from different countries/regions, the BIM Committee set up a Dropbox platform for members to post relevant BIM documents and information for sharing. A MOU was signed between the HKIS, RISM, and SISV on 9 September 2016 in Hong Kong.

During the meeting, Sr Sunny Choi highlighted the latest progress of Hong Kong's BIM implementation with a special focus on the Chief Executive's Policy Address 2017, which highlighted the HKSAR Government's encouragement of consultants and contractors to use BIM.

After the representatives from all countries had reported on the status of their BIM implementation, it was clear that Malaysia, Hong Kong, New Zealand, Australia, and Singapore were all supportive to the development in BIM.

There was also a deliberation over the need to simplify the current SMMs for the best interests of the QSs who use BIM technology.



1.6.4 PAQS Research Committee Meeting (22/7/2017)

The PAQS Research Committee also met on 22 July 2017. Sr Dr Leung Mei-yung represented the HKIS in the meeting.

The HKIS submitted a preliminary report for the study on sustainability in different Asian countries and territories. The Committee encouraged PAQS members to complete a survey that would enrich the research on promoting sustainable development. The publication of a practical journal for the PAQS was also planned.

In addition to the above, value management will be the next topic in the pipeline for collaboration next year.



1.6.5 PAQS Sustainability Committee Meeting (22/7/2017)

The PAQS Sustainability Committee convened a meeting on 22 July 2017, which was chaired by Sr Daniel Ho, PAQS Sustainability Committee Chairman and QSD Past Chairman. Representatives from 11 countries/regions were in attendance.

Three items from the last meeting (an HKIS-funded study on the costs and benefits of green building projects, the establishment of a platform for sharing information, and the setting up of an e-mail group to facilitate better communication) were followed-up and addressed.

The meeting concluded that a summary of macro-information relating to green buildings would be posted on the PAQS website. The summary will need input from each PAQS member to provide information according to the member's respective country and it has to be updated annually. The committee also proposed the regular maintenance of the information-sharing platform and an e-mail group. It was proposed, if possible, that communication sessions through the internet, rather than meeting in person, should be held at least twice a year. From 2017, each committee has to be responsible for its own research projects. Hence, the PAQS Board will be requested to appropriate funding in its annual budget for research.



1.6.6 PAQS Accreditation & Education Committee Meeting (22/7/2017)

On 22 July 2017, I attended the PAQS Accreditation & Education Committee meeting as an HKIS representative and as the Committee Secretary.

The meeting endorsed three accreditation reports on the surveying degree programmes at UNITECH, New Zealand; the University of Malaya, Malaysia; and the University of Reading, Malaysia.

Through this endorsement and the HKIS's decision to opt into the accreditation of all three surveying programmes, the HKIS recognised them as cognate degree programmes. Graduates of these programmes, upon application to the HKIS, may commence APC training in Hong Kong.

Members of different countries also updated the status on BIM training implementation in their respective local QS degree programmes.



1.6.7 PAQS Board Meeting (23/7/2017)

The PAQS Board Meeting was held on 23 July 2017. Our President, Sr Thomas Ho, and other delegates (Sr Francis Leung, Sr TT Cheung, Sr Raymond Kong, Sr Daniel Ho, Sr Antony Man, and I) were in attendance.

It was a whole-day meeting, with reports presented by the PAQS Chairman, Mr Ian B Duncan (CIQS); the officers; the committees; and the official delegates of all member countries/regions. I represented the HKIS and reported on the current construction activities in Hong Kong and provided an update on the QSD's activities since the last Congress in 2016.

Sr TT Cheung, a member of the PAQS Council of Advisors, proposed some changes for the sustainable development of PAQS. The second PAQS Vice Chair also proposed some constitutional changes for various country and regional members to consider.

Our President, Sr Thomas Ho, signed a reciprocity agreement (RA) with the host, Canadian Institute of Quantity Surveyors (CIQS), to signify their mutual recognition of professional status and membership.



1.6.8 PAQS Congress (24 - 25/7/2017)

The PAQS Congress was held from 24 to 25 July 2017. The event began with a song by a renowned local artist. The Congress was officiated by the Chairman of the CIQS, Mr Matthew K Weber; and Chairman of the PAQS, Mr Ian B Duncan.

The theme of Congress 2017 was “Green Developments: the New Era”. The keynote speakers were Mr David Suzuki and Ms Sarika Cullis Suzuki who gave their speeches on 24 July 2017, and Mr Alan Oishi who gave his speech on 25 July 2017. All were reputable motivators in the study and development of green concepts and measures.

1.6.9 Papers Presented by Hong Kong Delegates

There were also technical sessions. Six QSD members participated in and delivered talks on green issues during the PAQS Congress 2017. They were Sr TT Cheung (HKIS Past President and QSD Past Chairman), Sr Sunny Choi (QSD Hon Secretary), Sr Dr Paul Ho (QSD Past Chairman), Sr Joseph Chong (QSD Council member), Sr Dr Leung Mei-yung, and Sr Ellen Lau.

1.6.10 New PAQS Chairman

Congratulations to Sr Francis Leung, the PAQS's new Chairman, who commenced his term on 25 July 2017.

In these two years, Francis, HKIS Past President and QSD Past Chairman, will carry out his functions in collaboration and communications with the 14 country and regional members in bringing forward, consolidating, and advancing quantity surveying services throughout the Pacific Rim.



We wish Francis every success in his job. QSD of the HKIS, as one of the 14 country and regional members, will give him our full and strong support.

1.6.11 PAQS Excellence Service Award 2017

Sr Joseph Chong (QSD Council member) was awarded the PAQS Excellence Service Award 2017 during the PAQS Congress 2017.

When the PAQS Young Quantity Surveyors Group (YQSG) was established in 2009, he was elected as the inaugural Chairman by the younger QS representatives. During his term as Chairman from 2009 to 2014, he organised annual YQSG programmes in Singapore, Brunei, Sri Lanka, China, and Hong Kong with his committee members.

Through his great efforts and dedicated commitment, the YQSG has grown from a small group of younger surveyors into a large group that comprises various country and regional members of PAQS. He also directed the YQSG team to publish newsletters and establish a website (including Facebook and LinkedIn pages) to promote the PAQS. After his term as Chairman, he continued to advise the YQSG.

Joseph is the current Chairman of the HKIS IT Committee. He chaired YSG from 2008 to 2009, has been a QSD Council member since 2005, and has devoted tremendous time and effort in grooming the next generation of quantity surveyors in Hong Kong. Congratulations to Joseph!



1.6.12 Launch of the International Construction Measurement Standard (ICMS) (25/7/2017)

On 25 July 2017, the official launch of the ICMS took place during the PAQS Congress in Vancouver.

The ICMS is the result of a global collaboration in developing and establishing a common standard for cost benchmarks in construction projects worldwide. This is a high standard of reference and individual users can further build on the particulars of the standard according to their territorial or organisational needs.

The ICMS Coalition is a joint effort of over 46 professional institutes and organisations from all over the world, including the HKIS. The governing body of the ICMS Coalition is the ICMS Trustees. Sr TT Cheung is its HKIS representative.

The ICMS is a standard that is free for adoption. It is the result of 20 months of cooperation and effort by cost consultancy experts (among them is Sr KC Tang from HKIS QSD) from all over the world.

Thanks to Sr TT Cheung and Sr KC Tang for their excellent work. For more details on the ICMS, please visit: icms-coalition.org.



1.7 Collaboration between the QSD and the AIQS: Joint CPD Talks (12/4 & 6/9/2017)

The QSD jointly organised two CPD talks with the AIQS at the Surveyors Learning Centre in this Council year. The first joint CPD talk entitled “Planning, Programming, and Procurement – Its Impact on the Cost of Construction Projects” was held on 12 April. It was delivered by Mr Geoffrey Cotton, FAIQS, the Regional Director of Altus Group.

The second joint CPD talk entitled “How to Become a Successful Consultant and Provide Your Services in the Global Market” was held on 6 September 2017. It was delivered by Sr Dr Peter Ng, the Chairman and Founder of Beria Consultants Ltd., and the Vice President of the AIQS.



2. MAINLAND AFFAIRS

2.1 中國建設工程造價管理協會資深會員頒授典禮 (16/1/2017)

在 2017 年 1 月 16 日，香港測量師學會會長何國鈞測量師、工料測量組主席甘家輝測量師與一眾工料測量組資深會員參與了在深圳舉行的中國建設工程造價管理協會（中價協）資深會員頒授儀式。本次是中價協首次頒發資深會員資格予香港測量師學會工料測量組推薦的資深會員，工料測量組及有關資深會員深感榮幸。獲頒授的會員在過去十至二十年與中價協有密切聯繫及提供了獲認授的貢獻，他們包括張達棠測量師、廖美薇教授測量師、嚴汝江測量師、賴旭輝測量師、何國鈞測量師、鄧琪祥測量師、嚴少忠測量師、文志泉測量師、李佩華測量師和林清錦測量師。



2.2 首屆粵港工程造價（工料測量）論壇 (10/4/2017)

為進一步加強粵港交流與合作，促進粵港工程造價（工料測量）市場一體化建設，廣東省工程造價協會、香港測量師學會（工料測量組）、香港專業工料測量顧問公會和深圳市造價工程師協會於 2017 年 4 月 10 日在深圳香格里拉大酒店聯合舉辦首屆粵港工程造價（工料測量）論壇。

是次論壇反應十分熱烈，一共吸引了超過兩百位粵港專家出席。主辦單位對是次論壇的安排也十分隆重，邀請了粵港兩地的協會、住建廳和學會領導、站長、會長和主席主持開幕儀式，先由廣東省建設工程造價總站站長黃守新先生致歡迎詞，並由廣東省住建廳副廳長蔡瀛領導講話。香港測量師學會出席是次論壇的代表包括會長何國鈞測量師、內地事務委員會主席及前會長賴旭輝測量師、工料測量組主席甘家輝測量師、副主席江就明測量師和霍靜妍測量師、上任主席黃國良測量師及前主席嚴少忠測量師和關天賜測量師。

是次論壇交流內容共分為以下五個議題，由粵港兩地工程造價（工料測量）專家主講：

1. 工程價款糾紛調解方法（由香港測量師學會會長何國鈞測量師主講）；
2. 大風好上路 - 一帶一路及粵港工程諮詢企業合作（由廣東省工程造價協會會長鍾泉先生主講）；
3. 建築訊息模型 (BIM) 技術在工程造價中應用（由深圳市首嘉工程顧問有限公司副總經理潘多忠先生主講）；
4. 全過程工料測量（香港）理論與實務（由香港測量師學會內地事務委員會主席及前會長賴旭輝測量師主講）；
5. 工程造價諮詢業現狀與發展（由廣東省工程造價協會秘書長許錫雁先生主講）。

透過是次論壇，粵港雙方除了可就粵港兩地工程造價和工料測量得以交流外，也希望藉此次論壇建立日後更多互相交流和合作的機會。



粵港工程造價（工料測量）論壇完畢後，廣東省工程造價協會和深圳市造價工程師協會隨即安排了交流酒會，接待是次出席論壇的領導和專家。在交流酒會期間，工料測量組代表與粵方兩協會除了在一個輕鬆的場合下再作交流，更再進一步探討粵港兩地的工程造價管理和工料測量行業的持續交流的可行性和安排。

2.3 第三次中國建設工程造價管理協會和香港測量師學會資格互認協議下的國內培訓課程 (15 –16/8/2017)

2017年8月15和16日兩天，第三批中國建設工程造價管理協會（中價協）和香港測量師學會資格互認協議下的國內培訓課程在長春舉行。出席者包括中價協理事長徐惠琴女士、中價協副秘書長施笠女士、吉林省建設工程造價管理協會副理事長龔春杰女士、香港測量師學會會長何國鈞測量師、工料測量組主席甘家輝測量師、導師孫茂馨測量師、林清錦測量師、劉振業測量師、李佩華測量師、段世文測量師及127名參與是次培訓課程的國內造價工程師。在為期兩天的培訓課程內，導師們向國內造價工程師介紹了香港工料測量服務的一般工作及與國內工程造價服務的區別。在最後的半天環節，導師們亦和參與者進行了深入的討論及交流，並評估了各參與者對香港工料測量服務的基本認識。在此，本人謹代表工料測量組再次感謝五位導師的協助，及中價協聯同舉辦了第三批互認協議下的國內培訓課程。



2.4 第三次中國建設工程造價管理協會和香港測量師學會資格互認協議下的香港培訓課程 (29 - 30/8/2017)

第三批中國建設工程造價管理協會（中價協）和香港測量師學會資格互認協議下的香港會員培訓課程於2017年8月29日和30日兩天在深圳舉辦。出席者包括中價協理事長徐惠琴女士、香港測量師學會會長何國鈞測量師、香港測量師學會前會長張達棠測量師、香港測量師學會前會長梁立基測量師、工料測量組主席甘家輝測量師、工料測量組副主席江就明測量師、工料測量組義務秘書蔡盛霖測量師、工料測量組前主席嚴少忠測量師、工料測量組前主席文志泉測量師、國內導師董士波院長、郭婧娟教授、張正勤主任及60名參與是次培訓課程的香港測量師。在兩天的培訓課程內，導師們向香港測量師介紹了內地相關法律法規、內地工

程建設有關標準規範、規程和國內合同管理的方式。在最後的半天環節，導師們亦和參與的香港測量師進行了討論及交流，亦對各參與者評估了基本的認識。在此，謹代表工料測量組感謝三位導師的講課和導修，及中價協聯同舉辦了第三次互認協議下的香港培訓課程。



2.5 深圳市人力資源和社會保障局到訪香港測量師學會 (13/9/2017)

深圳市人力資源和社會保障局專技處一行18人，於2017年9月13日到訪香港測量師學會，由義務秘書陳東岳測量師、工料測量組上任主席黃國良測量師出席接待。是次會面讓到訪人士加深了解香港測量師學會工作，及測量師在內地專業發展有關情況，學會兩位代表與深圳市人力資源和社會保障局專技處代表進行了深入交流。



2.6 與中國住房和城鄉建設部標準定額司會面 (21/9/2017)

2017年9月21日，香港測量師學會會長何國鈞測量師、工料測量組主席甘家輝測量師、副主席江就明測量師和霍靜妍測量師、前主席嚴少忠測量師在中國佛山與中國住房和城鄉建設部標準定額司衛明、標準定額司造價管理處趙毅明處長、唐亞麗副處長，及廣州、佛山、東莞、珠海造價協會各會長舉行了座談會。會上衛司長扼要地介紹了國家對一帶一路和大灣區在工程造價方面的調研工作和在未來可行的方向。會長何國鈞測量師亦表達了學會可在不同的工程造價範圍內與國內工程造價單位合作的



可能性。與會各方都對一帶一路和大灣區在工程造價的新發展抱有期望。

2.7 首屆粵港澳大灣區大型基建項目管理創新高峰會 (22/9/2017)

香港測量師學會榮幸獲邀參與 2017 年 9 月 22 日在中國佛山舉行的首屆粵港澳大灣區大型基建項目管理創新高峰會。參與是次高峰會的人數逾四百人，參與的講者均是經濟和建築工程、造價管理的精英。香港測量師學會資深會員林清錦是其中一個獲邀出席的講者，他的演講題目是中港工程造價專業服務的差異及建議。香港測量師學會會長何國鈞測量師、工料測量組主席甘家輝測量師，副主席江就明測量師和霍靜妍測量師，前主席嚴少忠測量師也一同出席了高峰會。會長何國鈞亦聯同廣州、佛山、東莞、珠海等造價協會各會長參與了由中國住房和城鄉建設部標準定額司衛明、廣東省住房和城鄉建設部蔡瀛副廳長所帶領的高峰會開幕儀式。



2.8 上海拜訪及考察之旅 (18 - 20/10/2017)

香港測量師學會一行九人由會長何國鈞測量師帶領於 2017 年 10 月 18 日至 20 日訪問上海，跟內地政府部門及有關單位交流及考察，工料測量組的代表是前主席及內地事務委員會代表嚴少忠測量師。

我們拜訪的內地政府部門包括上海市委統戰部、虹口區委員會及徐匯區人民政府僑務辦公室。同時我們參觀了新區建設包括北外灘的浦西第一高樓「白玉蘭廣場」辦公樓及「W」酒店和前灘國際商務區（即前上海世博舊址）的一些新建設，還有我們也參觀了「興業太古匯」項目，加深認識上海的最新發展。

於 2017 年 10 月 19 日訪問期間我們跟虹口區人民政府僑務辦公室轄下的規劃和土地管理局及投資促進辦公室的人員舉行座談會，大家視這為深化交流合作的機遇，雙方在虹口區建設的領域上交流近一小時。

同日下午學會一行九人拜訪上海建設工程諮詢行業協會，由協會會長夏冰先生、副會長馬軍

先生、秘書長徐逢治女士及其他理事一共八人出席會議，這是繼工料測量組於 2016 年 4 月 14 日拜訪協會後第二次會面。學會提出的議題包括：

- 香港建築業的最新景況
- 上海對全過程工程諮詢及建築師負責制的具體實施方案
- 「一帶一路」計劃的項目對上海造價行業帶來的機遇
- 上海企業與香港諮詢公司合作的機會

會上工料測量組提出全過程諮詢服務是國際的做法，香港也是跟隨這模式，國家最近也倡議建設行業應跟國際做法接軌，提供全過程服務。我們同時指出最近（即 2017 年 9 月 22 日）於佛山舉行的「大灣區大型基建項目管理創新高峰論壇」，住建部衛明副司長談及建築業資質改革的方向，廣東省作為試點，已不再接受企業資質的申請，改為評審企業的信用情況作為參考，協會也了解這是住建部的長遠策略。

我們也談及香港並沒有招標代理（即諮詢公司）及招投標辦公室（即政府部門），無論私人或政府項目的招標工作，一概由工料測量師負責，協會也明白這是內地與香港之間的分別。

協會指出香港企業在「一帶一路」計劃的項目上有優勢，我們有國際項目的經驗及語言的方便，在「走出去」的國家策略上，內地企業會深化和香港企業合作的機會，具體合作情況需要再探討。



3. MACAU AFFAIRS

3.1 Macau Association of Building Contractors and Developers 70th Anniversary cum Lo Pan Patron's Day Celebration Dinner (6/7/2017)

The Macau Association of Building Contractors and Developers (MABCD) 70th Anniversary cum Lo Pan Patron's Day Celebration Dinner (澳門建築置業商會慶祝成立七十周年暨魯班先師寶誕聯歡晚會) was held at the Macau Tower on 6 July 2017.

QSD Vice Chairman, Sr Raymond Kong; and QSD Macau Sub-Committee Chairman, Sr George Chan represented the QSD at this event. They met

with old friends and new faces including the ICES (Macau Region) Chairlady, Sr Katherine Chan; MACBD President, Mr Tommy Lau; and Office of the Secretary for Social Affairs and Culture Senior Officer, Mr JM Zhou. While they enjoyed a wonderful dinner and shared their experiences in quantity surveying in Hong Kong and Macau with the attendees, they also demonstrated their knowledge on Macau's construction market. QSD has arranged various CPD talks with ICES and MABCD in Macau over the past few years and will continue to promote the QS profession there.



3.2 Visit by the Macau Society of Cost Engineers (20/9/2017)

On 20 September 2017, President Sr Thomas Ho, Past President Sr TT Cheung, Past QSD Chairman Sr Sam Cheng, and I received a delegation from the Macau Society of Cost Engineers (MSCE). It was the first time that the MSCE and the HKIS met and our discussion primarily focused on the possible collaboration between our organisations. The MSCE was established in 2016 with the objective of promoting quantity surveying or cost engineering services to the Macau Government and industry stakeholders. The QSD will be glad to work with the MSCE to develop the QS profession in Macau.



3.3 CPD Talks in Macau

For the benefit of our members working in Macau, we organised four CPD talks in Macau jointly with the ICES (Macau Region) and Macau Association of Building Contractors and Developers (MABCD). Our members would appreciate more CPD events in Macau through further collaboration with ICES (Macau Region) and MABCD in Macau in the future.

4. NETWORKING WITH EXTERNAL BODIES

4.1 HKIS Media Luncheon (8/2/2017)

The HKIS arranged a media luncheon, which was well-covered by the media, at the World Trade Centre Club, Causeway Bay, on 8 February 2017. Four QSD spokesmen Sr Raymond Kong (Vice Chairman),

Sr Paul Wong (Immediate Past Chairman), Sr Keith Yim (Past Chairman), and I attended the event to answer media enquiries and share our professional views on issues related to quantity surveying.

During the luncheon, I introduced the QSD 2017 theme "Promoting the Services of Quantity Surveyors and Increasing the Public Awareness of Construction Cost Control." The primary message that QSD delivered to the media was: "Quantity surveyors are professionals with expert knowledge on construction costs and contract administration, and they are well-acquainted with building costs, labour and material prices, construction economics, finances, tenders, and contractual arrangements in the construction industry". This year, the QSD promoted its scope of services to increase the public's awareness of quantity surveyors' roles in construction cost control and monitoring, tendering, and contractual arrangements.



4.2 Meeting with the Development Bureau on the Use of NEC in Hong Kong (10/2/2017)

Several QSD representatives, QSD Past Chairman, Sr Keith Yim; and QSD Council members, Sr HY Wan and Sr Tiffany Chan, met with the representatives of the Development Bureau, Mr Edwin Wong, Chief Assistant Secretary (Works); Mr Benjamin Chan, Assistant Secretary (Works Policies); and the Secretary of the NEC Users Group from England, Mr Robert Gerrard, on 10 February 2017. During the meeting, the parties exchanged views and opinions extensively on the applicability of NEC to public works projects in Hong Kong. The QSD raised its concerns, including the effectiveness of NEC in controlling a project's time and budget, the public accountability due to the project manager's dominant role in NEC, and the importance of maintaining the role of an independent cost consultant in public works projects. The Development Bureau expressed that all kinds of feedback on NEC from different stakeholders were welcome and would be considered.

4.3 Communication Meetings amongst the ACQS, DevB, ArchSD, and HKIS (29/6/2017)

A Communication Meeting amongst the Association of Consultant Quantity Surveyors (ACQS), Development Bureau (DevB), Architectural Services Department (ArchSD), and HKIS was held at the Queensway Government Offices on 29 June 2017.

The QSD's Vice Chairmen, Sr Raymond Kong and Sr Amelia Fok; and I represented the HKIS at the meeting.

During this meeting, the QSD raised the following three issues for discussion.

1. Use of NEC on ArchSD projects
2. Implications of the Proposed Security of Payment Legislation
3. BIM applications and developments on ArchSD projects

4.4 Visit to the Architectural Services Department Quantity Surveyors Association (ArchSD QSA) (20/11/2017)

Further to the meeting held between the QSD and the ArchSD QSA on 25 June 2015, Sr Thomas Ho (HKIS President and Past QSD Chairman), Sr Raymond Kong and Sr Amelia Fok (QSD Vice Chairmen), Sr Poleon Chan (QSD Honorary Treasurer), Sr Paul Wong (Immediate Past QSD Chairman) and I met with the representatives of the ArchSD QSA again on 20 November 2017. We were received by the ArchSD QSA Sr Wong Chi Lok (Chairman), Sr Rachel Yu (Vice Chairperson), and Sr Kevin Lai (Honorary Treasurer).

During the meeting, the QSD brought up a number of topics, which included the up-coming project volume, NEC Contracts and BIM adopted in the ArchSD future projects, and the implications of the Security of Payment Legislation. The discussions also involved the lives of QS at work, opportunities of cooperation between the QSD and the ArchSD QSA, the grooming of young QS, and the way forward for QS.

The Assistant Director (QS) of the ArchSD, Sr Sheron Li, joined the remaining part of the meeting. We had an opportunity to discuss about further collaboration between the QSD and the ArchSD QSA. The QSD requested the ArchSD



QSA for more support and participation in the HKIS and QSD affairs.

5. NETWORKING WITH MEMBERS

5.1 New Members Welcoming Party (3/3/2017)

The QSD New Members Welcoming Party was held at the Surveyors Learning Centre on 3 March 2017.

This year, over 70 participants (including new members, their friends and families, HKIS GC members, QSD Council members, and Past QSD Chairmen) joined the party. QSD Council members and past QSD Chairmen gladly met with the new faces during this casual but jovial event. I introduced to the new members the functions of various QSD sub-committees and organising committees, and encouraged the younger members to join the QSD activities available. The party not only provided the attendees with a platform to learn about the QSD work but also motivated the members to participate in and to contribute their efforts to the QSD Council work.

It was a great honour for the HKIS President, Sr Thomas Ho, to come to inspire and give a very impressive speech to the newly-qualified members, who were also introduced to and reminded of the QSD Facebook page, so that they could obtain first-hand news on QSD activities.

The creative games played during the party had sparked a lot of laughter. There were also chit-chatting and brainstorming sessions. Everybody enjoyed the activities, food, and drinks. At the end of the party, a lucky draw was held and the winners left the party with big smiles.



5.2 1st QSD Social Event – Movie Private Screening (18/3/2017)

The 1st QSD social event of the 2016/17 Council Year – a private screening of a movie – was held at the MCL Telford Cinema (Kowloon Bay) in the afternoon of 18 March 2017. Over 120 members and their guests, including HKIS President, Sr

Thomas Ho; QSD Vice Chairman, Sr Amelia Fok, QSD Honorary Treasurer, Sr Poleon Chan; and I enjoyed the movie *Beauty and the Beast*.



5.3 2nd QSD Social Event – Modern Calligraphy Workshop (Dip Pen) (22/4/2017)

The second QSD social event of this Council Year 2016/17 – a Modern Calligraphy Workshop (Dip Pen) – was held at the SLC in the afternoon of 22 April 2017. Each participant received a set of dip pens with ink. I came to observe and share the fun with the participants as they learned calligraphy.



5.4 HKIS QSD Annual Dinner 2017 (2/6/2017)

The HKIS QSD Annual Dinner 2017 was successfully held in the Ballroom of the Royal Plaza Hotel on 2 June 2017 with a total of 35 tables completely filled up.

This year, the QSD had the honour of having Mr Eric Ma, Secretary for the Development of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR), as the Guest of Honour (GoH). Other honourable guests included government officials from Development Bureau, Architectural Services Department, Housing Department, Electrical and Mechanical Services Department, Water Services Department and Drainage Services Department. Besides, representatives from Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the HKSAR; professional institutions and associations from SISV, ICES, HKIA, HKIE, HKILA, HKICM, URA, CIC and HKCA; and universities and tertiary educational organisations also came and joined us in our annual dinner. I would like to thank the HKIS GC members, HKIS Past Presidents, QSD Past Chairmen, fellow members, and HKIS staff for their support and participation.

At the beginning of the dinner, I shared the QSD's accomplishments in my opening address. The HKIS President, Sr Thomas Ho, and Mr Eric Ma also delivered the President's Message and GoH's Message, respectively.

To recognise the outstanding performance of our newly-elected member, Sr Woo Ka Yi, during the Assessment of Professional Competence held in 2016, I presented her with the prize "Quantity Surveying Division APC Best Candidate 2016 Award". I hope she will keep up the good work at her job. Congratulations to Sr Woo!

This year the annual dinner was hosted by a professional MC with performances by two artists and games hosted by young quantity surveyors. The dinner was full of fun and laughter, with all participating members and guests engaged in different game sessions. All participants enjoyed a happy evening.

I wish to express my heartfelt thanks to all the sponsors of the event for their generous contributions and support. Thanks also go to the Organising Committee Chairman, Sr Raymond Kong, and his team members for their valuable efforts in arranging such a successful and enjoyable event.

The QSD Annual Dinner is an important annual event that provides precious opportunities for members to mingle and meet with learned friends from the surveying profession, other professional institutions, and officials from the government, as well as to make new friends in the construction industry. The QSD has successfully achieved these aims again this year.



5.5 3rd QSD Social Event – Tea Pairing (17/6/2017)

On 17 June 2017, QSD had its third social event – Tea Pairing at Greater China Club, Lai Chi Kok,

Kowloon. 23 QSD members including President Sr Thomas Ho, Vice Chairman Sr Raymond Kong, Immediate Past Chairman Sr Paul Wong joined the event. They all enjoyed the event through the guidance of a tea expert who introduced different types of green tea and red tea with a mixture of Chinese confectioneries.



5.6 4th QSD Social Event – DIY Perfume Spray (19/8/2017)

The 4th QSD social event of the 2016/17 Council Year – classes 1 and 2 of the DIY Perfume Spray – was held at the DK Aromatherapy Causeway Bay shop on 19 August 2017. Each participant received his or her own 30ml of tailor-made perfume spray with natural essential oils.



5.7 5th QSD Social Event – The “Moon & Planets Lamp” Workshop (24/9/2017)

The last (also the 5th) QSD social event of this Council Year 2016/17 – The “Moon & Planets Lamp” Workshop – was held at Make Centre San Po Kong office on 27 September 2017. Each participant could design her/his own 12cm diameter “moon and planets lamp”. About 20 QSD members including YSG Chairman, Sr Chris Mook, and I came to support this event. I would like to thank our QSD Social and Welfare Chairperson, Sr Christina Wong, and her team members for their valuable efforts in organising 5 social events successfully in this Council Year.



6. ASSESSMENT OF PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE (APC)

6.1 QSD APC 2016 Professional Interviews (21/1/2017)

The QSD APC Final Assessment Professional Interviews took place on 21 January 2017. The interviews were held at Confucius Hall Secondary School and the HKIS Office. Over 100 QSD corporate members served as interviewers and assisted in the assessment. Before the interviews started, Sr Raymond Kong (QSD Vice Chairman and QSD Divisional Education Committee Chairman) briefed the interviewers on the approach of the assessment.

The QSD wants to thank the President, Sr Thomas Ho, and all interviewers for their efforts in completing the interviews within one day.



6.2 Announcement of QSD APC 2016 (25/1/2017)

The results of the QSD APC were announced on 25 January 2017. 30 candidates passed their referral interviews in December 2016 (including four candidates pending for an examination of their diary submissions), 96 passed their professional interviews (including 52 candidates pending for an examination of their diary submissions), seven passed in their Associate Membership interviews in January 2017, and two were admitted via reciprocal arrangements in 2016. Congratulations to all of them!

6.3 APC Assessors' Briefing (29/9/2017)

Over 100 assessors joined the APC Assessors' Briefing on 29 September 2017, which was chaired by QSD Vice Chairman and Divisional Education Committee Chairman, Sr Raymond Kong. The questions and assessors' notes for both Part I and II of the assessment were briefly introduced. Over 300 candidates sat for the Part I assessment and over 400 for Part II. The briefing kicked off the assessment of the APC papers. It is anticipated that the whole assessment will be completed before the CNY in 2018.



7. PRE-QUALIFICATION STRUCTURED LEARNING & CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

7.1 Pre-qualification Structured Learning (PQSL)

Fulfilling the Pre-Qualification Structured Learning (PQSL) hours is one of the mandatory requirements of Associate Members and Probationers, who must take a minimum of 15 hours of approved learning activities every six full months after their entry to the APC, before they sit for the APC examination.

PQSL aims to enrich Associate Members and Probationers with essential knowledge in quantity surveying practices and principles in construction contracts, so as to prepare them for the APC examination. There are a series of PQSL events, namely measurement, procurement, standard form of building contract, contract administration, and specialisation, covering QS topics such as:

- Measurement techniques
- Measurement of building works and building services installations
- Tendering
- Reporting on tenders
- Variation and post-contract cost control
- Payment valuation and final accounts
- Contractual arrangements
- Liquidated damages and extension of time
- Direct loss and expense claims
- Dispute resolution
- Liquidation

So far in this Council Year 2016/17, 24 PQSL events have been held, including four workshops for APC examinations. All were attended by full house of associate members and probationers.

7.2 Continuing Professional Development (CPD): Retrospect and Prospects

Continuing professional development (CPD) is “the systematic maintenance, improvement and broadening of knowledge and skills and the development of personal qualities necessary for the execution of professional and technical duties throughout the practitioner’s career.”

To upkeep our members’ professional competence in their professional practices and technical performances is one of the importance tasks of the QSD. In the past 6 Council Years from 2011/12 to 2016/17, the QSD CPD Sub-committee, working

with the QSD BIM Sub-committee and QSD Macau Sub-committee, has organised 361 CPD events on a variety of topics, including contractual and legal, cost management, insurance, management, BIM, green measures, and other technical issues. It also organises training courses on BIM and technical visits. For details of the CPD events, please see the below table.

	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	Total No. from 2011/12 to 2016/17
No. of Talks in Hong Kong	28	36	40	40	59	37	240
No. of Talks in Macau	0	0	0	4	4	4	12
No. of Seminar in China	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
No. of Technical Visit	15	14	10	14	17	20	90
No. of BIM Training Class	1	2	3	4	5	3	18
Total No.	44	52	53	62	85	65	361

In order to collaborate with other construction professionals, the QSD has organised many joint CPD events with other professional institutes, such as the Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors, Chartered Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors, China Engineering Cost Association, Macau Association of Building Contractors and Developers, the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers, Hong Kong Institute of Landscape Architects, Hong Kong Institute of Construction Managers, the Hong Kong Institute of Value Management, the Hong Kong Concrete Institute and other divisions and YSG in the HKIS.

It is encouraging to know that most of the QSD CPD events (279 out of 361) have been welcome by full house attendance.

On behalf of the QSD, I express my heartfelt thanks to our Immediate Past Chairman, Sr Paul Wong, for his vision, devotion, and tremendous efforts working together with other dedicated members in promoting and strengthening the QS profession to the public and its professional counterparts both locally and overseas in the past six years (as QSD CPD Sub-committee Chairman). I also thank the members’ active participation in the CPD events organised by the QSD.

Looking forward, the QSD will continue to organise good quality CPD events in diversified areas, collaborate with other construction professionals, and cater for professional development and lifelong learning for our members.

8. PUBLICATIONS

8.1 Proposed Amendments to the Current HKSMM4

The current Hong Kong Standard Method of Measurement of Building Works – Fourth Edition (combined Building Works and Building Services) (HKSMM4) was published in 2005, with incorporation of the corrigenda dated September 2013. During the past years, there were numerous changes in the construction method and procurement practice. The QSD opines that the current HKSMM4 needs a complete revamp and update to deal with modern practices. Due to the fact that the preparation of a new SMM would take considerable time, as an interim measure, the QSD decided to issue an amendment to the current HKSMM4 first and has worked on it for 3 years. In order to hear any suggestions or comments from the members and stakeholders before publication of the new HKSMM, the QSD held two Forums at the Surveyors Learning Centre on 6 December 2016 and 4 January 2017.

Discussions and reviews on respective work sections of a new edition of HKSMM is in progress. It will be published tentatively in 2018.

8.2 Practice Notes for Quantity Surveyors

The QSD launched seven Practice Notes for Quantity Surveyors since November 2012 covering the following core subjects:

- Tendering (First issue in November 2012)
- Cost Control and Financial Statements (First issue in November 2012)
- Valuation of Variations (First issue in November 2012)
- Contractual Claims (First issue in November 2012)
- Final Accounts (First issue in November 2012)
- Valuation for Interim Payment Certificates (First issue in October 2015)
- Pre-contract Estimates and Cost Plans (First issue in October 2016)

These seven Practice Notes were prepared jointly with the Association of Consultant Quantity Surveyors (ACQS) and the Hong Kong Construction Association (HKCA) to produce some basic guidelines for quantity surveying core practices. They have been available in both hard and soft copies [http://www.hkis.org.hk/en/publication_sales.php] for some time. The QSD has arranged some hard copies for members' collection during the CPD events.

9. PROMOTION OF THE QUANTITY SURVEYING PROFESSION

9.1 Education & Careers Expo 2017 (23 – 26/2/2017)

The Education & Careers Expo was held at the Hong Kong Exhibition and Convention Centre from 23 to 26 February 2017.

The HKIS booth was managed by HKIS YSG members who introduced the surveying profession to students and the general public with some mini-games.

On the first day, HKIS President, Sr Thomas Ho; YSG Chairman, Sr Chris Mook; and other members attended the Opening Ceremony.

On Day Two, QSD Vice Chairman, Sr Amelia Fok; QSD Immediate Past Chairman, Sr Paul Wong; and QSD Council member, Sr Staw Wong attended the booth and helped introduce the surveying and QS professions to visitors.

On Day Three, HKIS President, Sr Thomas Ho; QSD Vice Chairman, Sr Raymond Kong; and I attended the Education & Careers Seminar with other HKIS members from the different divisions. Sr Thomas Ho shared his experiences in the surveying profession, while I gave the outlook on the prospects for the QS profession.



9.2 2017 HKIS Quantity Surveying Division Scholarship Presentation Ceremony (19/4/2017)

The 2017 HKIS QSD Scholarship Presentation Ceremony was successfully held on 19 April 2017 at Surveyors Learning Centre. This was the seventh consecutive ceremony that the QSD has organised. The main objective of the scholarship programme is to reward students who study quantity surveying at local universities and the Institute of Vocational Education (IVE) in the hopes of becoming professional quantity surveyors. A secondary

objective is to promote quantity surveying as a highly-valued profession in the construction industry to the students. The fulfillment of both objectives would attract more talented young people to join the quantity surveying profession.

It was our pleasure to see President, Sr Thomas Ho, who attended this event and gave an impressive speech to the awardees. I, together with Sr Amelia Fok (QSD Vice Chairman) and Sr Paul Wong (QSD Immediate Past Chairman), represented the QSD Council in extending thanks to the guests, department heads, and teaching staff from the three universities and IVE, as well as QSD Council members, for supporting and attending the ceremony. I also said a few encouraging words to the awardees.

This year, 18 scholarships were awarded to students in recognition of their outstanding performances in key quantity surveying courses leading to a bachelor's or associate's degree or higher diploma. The recipients are as follows:

City University of Hong Kong

Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Surveying	
Name	Name of Award
Lau Yick Chung [Photo 1 – Represented by Ms Lee Wai Yee]	HKIS QSD – Chinney Construction Co, Ltd (Year 2016-2017)
Ms Lee Wai Yee [Photo 2]	HKIS QSD – KC Tang Consultants Limited Scholarship (Year 2016-2017)
Ms Yau Sin Yu [Photo 3]	HKIS QSD – Northcroft Hong Kong Limited Scholarship (Year 2016-2017)
Associate of Science in Surveying (Quantity Surveying)	
Name	Name of Award
Mr Ng Wing Pan [Photo 4]	HKIS QSD – WT Partnership (HK) Limited Scholarship (Year 2016-2017)
Mr Ng Chun Yin, Jacky [Photo 5]	HKIS QSD – Currie & Brown Holdings Limited Scholarship (Year 2016-2017)
Ms Lui Ting Wai [Photo 6]	HKIS QSD – MJ Consultants Limited Scholarship (Year 2016-2017)

The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Surveying	
Name	Name of Award
Mr Cheng Ka Tsun [Photo 7]	HKIS QSD – Rider Levett Bucknall Limited Scholarship (Year 2016-2017)

Ms Ho Lok Yiu [Photo 8]	HKIS QSD – Currie & Brown Holdings Limited Scholarship (Year 2016-2017)
Ms Ng Cheuk Yi, Cherry [Photo 9]	HKIS QSD – WT Partnership (HK) Limited Scholarship (Year 2016-2017)
Higher Diploma in Building Technology and Management (Surveying)	
Name	Name of Award
Mr Cheung Kwok, Tim [Photo 10]	HKIS QSD – TLS & Associates Limited Scholarship (Year 2016-2017)
Mr Hui Wai Ying [Photo 11]	HKIS QSD – Arcadis Asia Limited Scholarship (Year 2016-2017)
Ms Mo Suen Wing [Photo 12]	HKIS QSD – Rick's Management Consultancy Limited Scholarship (Year 2016-2017)

The University of Hong Kong

Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Surveying	
Name	Name of Award
Mr Mak Chun Hin [Photo 13 – Represented by Parent]	HKIS QSD – Rider Levett Bucknall Limited Scholarship (Year 2016-2017)
Mr Yip Tin Wai, Chelsea [Photo 14 – Represented by Parent]	HKIS QSD – Arcadis Asia Limited Scholarship (Year 2016-2017)
Ms Wong Hau Ching [Photo 15]	HKIS QSD – Beria Consultants Limited Scholarship (Year 2016-2017)

The Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education

Higher Diploma in Surveying	
Name	Name of Award
Mr Ng Wai Kuen [Photo 16]	HKIS QSD – Rider Levett Bucknall Limited Scholarship (Year 2016-2017)
Ms Chan Po Yee [Photo 17]	HKIS QSD – KC Tang Consultants Limited Scholarship (Year 2016-2017)
Mr Leung Kwok Wun [Photo 18]	HKIS QSD – Beria Consultants Limited Scholarship (Year 2016-2017)

Together with President Sr Thomas Ho and representatives of the scholarship donors, I presented the 18 prizes to the awardees.

Congratulations to all awardees for their marvelous academic achievements. Thanks also go to the ten quantity surveying consultancy firms and one contracting firm for their generous support as scholarship sponsors. I hope that they will continue their financial support for the scholarships in the years ahead.

Photos of the ceremony have been uploaded to the HKIS website. Please visit the following link for the photos: http://www.hkis.org.hk/en/newsroom_event_details.php?id=4094.



9.3 HKIS Diploma Presentation (10/6/2017)

The HKIS Diploma Presentation cum Dissertation Awards Presentation was held in the Ballroom of the Royal Plaza Hotel on 10 June 2017.

During the presentation, the HKIS President, Sr Thomas Ho and I presented diplomas to 103 newly-qualified QSD members (95 members and 8 fellow members; including QSD Honorary Secretary, Sr Sunny Choi; QSD Council members, Sr Dr Betty Lo, Sr Tzena Wong & Sr HY Wan; QSD Co-opted member, Sr Annie Chu; and 3 senior members, Sr Billy So, Sr C K Chan & Sr Allen Lai).

Congratulations to all the newly-qualified and fellow QS members for their achievements.

Their professional growth will definitely strengthen the quantity surveying profession in the future.



9.4 Publication of Articles

Apart from delivering talks at universities, IVE and secondary schools, the QSD and its members have also published the following articles in this Council Year 2016/17.

- (1) Legal Update on Condition Precedent to Extension of Time: A Practical Approach; by Sr Tang Cheuk Kuen, Jason [January 2017 *Surveyors Times* – Members Corner]
[<http://www.hkis.org.hk/en/st/st2017/201701/2017st01.pdf>]
- (2) Developing a BIM-Based Programme Based on Preliminary FM Guidelines for Care and Attention Homes; by Sr Dr Mei-yung Leung (QSD Co-opted Member) [February 2017 *Surveyors Times* – Members Corner]
[http://www.hkis.org.hk/en/st/st2017/201702/2017st02_6_mem.pdf]
- (3) Contract Administration: A Doctrine of Good Faith; by Sr Wong Kwai Yiu [April 2017 *Surveyors Times* – Members Corner]
[http://www.hkis.org.hk/en/st/st2017/201704/2017st04_6_mem.pdf]
- (4) A Faithful Servant; by Sr Thomas Ho (HKIS President & QSD Past Chairman) [April 2017 *Surveyors Times* – Meet the Surveyor]
[http://www.hkis.org.hk/en/st/st2017/201704/2017st04_14_surveyor.pdf]
- (5) News Article in Response to the Pricing of Maintenance Works in Private Premises Using the Housing Department Schedule of Rates; by the QSD [May 2017 *Surveyors Times* – QSD Chairman's Message]
[http://www.hkis.org.hk/en/st/st2017/201705/2017st05_5f_qsd.pdf]



- (6) Standard Method of Measurement; by Sr Raymond Kam (QSD Chairman), Sr Dr Paul Ho (QSD Past Chairman) & Sr Paul Wong (QSD Immediate Past Chairman) [August 2017 *Surveyors Times* – Cover Story]
[http://www.hkis.org.hk/en/st/st2017/201708/2017st08_12_cover.pdf]
- (7) Does “Lack of Control” Justify Setting Times for Completion at Large?; by Sr Eric Chung (QSD Past Chairman) [August 2017 *Surveyors Times* – Members Corner]
[http://www.hkis.org.hk/en/st/st2017/201708/2017st08_6_mem.pdf]
- (8) BIM Applications in Hong Kong’s QS Practices; by Sr Sunny Choi (QSD Honorary Secretary) [October 2017 *Surveyors Times* – Members Corner]
[http://www.hkis.org.hk/en/st/st2017/201710/2017st10_6_mem.pdf]

9.5 Visits to Universities and IVE

From time to time, the QSD participated in promoting the quantity surveying profession through visits to local universities and IVE. The objectives of these visits are to introduce the Institute, the scope of professional services of quantity surveying, the membership admission routes and APC training schemes. I hope that some of the students who attended the events will become interested in the quantity surveying profession and consider studying surveying at Hong Kong’s universities or at the IVE before becoming members of the Institute.

9.5.1 Visit to THEi (Tsing Yi) (11/4/2017)

Sr Paul Wong (QSD Immediate Past Chairman), Sr Philip Lo (THEi’s External Examiner), speakers from the PFMD, and I visited THEi (Tsing Yi) to deliver a career talk to Year 1 students in its Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Surveying programme on 11 April 2017.

During the visit, I introduced the HKIS’s six divisions, the career prospects for surveyors, and the routes to obtaining HKIS membership. Sr Paul Wong and Sr Philip Lo shared their career experiences and enlightened the students

on the career prospects for the QS profession from a contractor’s and a consultant’s perspective, respectively.

THEi’s Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Surveying programme is a new course that commenced in September 2016. It covers five surveying specialties, including quantity surveying. I hope that after this talk, the students will be able to decide on the surveying specialties they will enter after graduation.

9.5.2 Seminar at the University of Hong Kong (2/9/2017)

A seminar was held on 2 September 2017 at the University of Hong Kong to introduce and promote the HKIS to MSc students in Real Estate and Construction Project Management.

HKIS President, Sr Thomas Ho; Immediate Past President, Sr C K Lau; QSD Council member, Sr Tiffany Chan; and representatives from the other divisions introduced the HKIS to the students. Sr Tiffany Chan briefed them on the scope of QS services, the routes to becoming quantity surveyors and the career prospects, and shared her own professional QS experiences. About 70 students majoring in urban development and quantity surveying attended this joyful event and had many questions for the speakers at its conclusion.



9.5.3 Information Day at City University of Hong Kong (7/10/2017)

Upon invitation by the Department of Architecture and Civil Engineering of City University of Hong Kong (CityU), I, as QSD Chairman, attended its Information Day on 7 October 2017. The purpose of my visit was to introduce the quantity surveying profession and the HKIS to prospective students who would consider surveying as their choice of study at CityU.

The presentation session was well-attended by over 40 prospective students and parents. Here I wish to extend my sincere thanks to Dr Daisy Yeung, who kindly organised the presentation session.



9.5.4 2nd Visit to THEi (Tsing Yi) (21/10/2017)

On 21 October 2017, the QSD's Immediate Past Chairman, Sr Paul Wong; QSD Honorary Secretary, Sr Sunny Choi; and QSD Honorary Treasurer, Sr Poleon Chan, visited THEi's Faculty of Science and Technology at its Tsing Yi Campus. The purpose of the visit was to obtain updates on the development of THEi's BSc (Hons) degree in Surveying Programme (QS & PFM Stream), which had enrolled its first batch of Year 1 students in Summer 2016.

The QSD's representatives were well-received by the Department Head of Engineering, Technology and Construction, Professor KL Pun; the Course Programme Leader, Sr Dr Terence Lam; and programme team members Sr Dr Ken Chan, Dr Ernest Tsang, Dr Danny Wan, and Ms Waiman Ho. The programme team gave a detailed presentation on the following:

- Programme structure
- Teaching staff
- Four-year curriculum
- Student profiles
- Student academic performance for 2016-2017
- Support facilities for students
- Attachment activities and site visits
- Industry links
- Recent research
- Publications

Taking the QSD's previous advice, the programme team created two compulsory elective modules - dispute resolution and advanced contract administration - for students on the QS stream. We talked with some students, who shared their study experiences at THEi over the past year, what they had learned in their measurement and contract procurement modules, and their exposures during their internships. The visit was very successful and we were impressed by the students' communication skills.



9.5.5 HKU Information Day 2017 (4/11/2017)

The HKU Information Day 2017 was held on 4 November 2017. To facilitate students' understanding of surveying professional, the Institute was invited to participate in this event.

Our QSD Council member, Sr Joseph Chong; and QSD Co-opted members, Sr Stephen Lam and Sr Rachel Yu, were three of QSD representatives. They introduced the HKIS, quantity surveying profession and APC qualification requirements to the students.

9.6 Visits/ Talks to Secondary Schools

9.6.1 Visit to Pui Ching Middle School (29/9/2017)

Following the QSD's visits to Pui Ching Middle School in 2013, 2014, and 2016, the school once again invited HKIS QSD to deliver a career talk to the students on 29 September 2017. QSD Vice Chairman Sr Amelia Fok and QSD Council member Sr Tiffany Chan joined this event, which was attended by approximately 40 Form 5 students. Amelia and Tiffany introduced the HKIS, the development of the quantity surveying profession, and the routes to membership. The students showed a great interest in surveying, as reflected in their eager responses during the Q&A session, in which they were asked questions regarding the HKIS, its board duties, the functions of its various divisions, and other issues relating to quantity surveying. As a reward for joining the event, each student received a divisional fact sheet and souvenir. Many thanks go to Pui Ching Middle School for organising the visit.



9.6.2 Career Talk to Secondary School Students (12/10/2017)

A fruitful and successful career talk (《把握未來大方向 探視專業測量前景》測量師行業就業講座) was held in collaboration with the Education Bureau at Surveyors Learning Centre on 12 October 2017. The HKIS introduced all six surveying divisions to the upper-level students from nine secondary schools. I represented the QSD to introduce the work involved and job opportunities in quantity surveying.

9.7 Talks in Conference / Seminar

9.7.1 One-Day Seminar on Contract Management 2017 (Jointly Organised by the Young Groups of the CIarb, CIBSE, HKIE, HKIS, & ICE, 22/4/2017)

The One-Day Seminar on Contract Management Seminar 2017 was held at the Christian Family Service Centre, Kwun Tong, on 22 April 2017. This annual event

has been jointly organised by young professionals from the various institutes since 2004. This year, the HKIS's Young Surveyors Group was one of the organisers.

Seven experienced speakers with diverse backgrounds were invited to share their experiences in and insights on contract management. Our QSD Immediate Past Chairman, Sr Paul Wong, was one of the speakers. His topic was "Good Practices in Construction Contract Management – a Case Study on a Heritage Project".



9.7.2 ACEHK Annual Conference (19/6/2017)

On 19 June 2017, I attended the ACEHK Annual Conference with the main theme "Enhancing Project Cost Management" at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre.

I was one of the invited speakers and my topic was "Cost Management of Engineering Projects from Quantity Surveyor's Perspective". The Conference was well supported by over 200 participants. Among other speakers, there were also the Permanent Secretary for Development, Ir Hon Chi Keung; the Head of Project Cost Management Office, Ir John Kwong; the Deputy Director (Development & Construction) of Housing Authority, Ms Ada Fung. I was very much honoured to be one of the speakers and hope the conference could enhance the communication and collaboration between engineers and quantity surveyors.



10. BUILDING INFORMATION MODELLING (BIM)

BIM has gained a lot of attention in recent years across the full spectrum of stakeholders and key players in the construction market. Various studies and researches have been conducted in the subject and there were already some breakthroughs like 5D BIM since our first BIM Conference back in 2013.

10.1 BIM Training

The QSD BIM Sub-committee was set up in 2012. Its

main purposes are: (1) to keep members updated on the use and development of BIM; (2) to promote BIM to and train members in its use and application; and (3) to collaborate with other organisations to study and review the use of BIM and the BIM Standard Methods of Measurement. Since its establishment, the BIM Sub-committee has worked with various organisations by attending and organising a number of BIM events, such as attending the 2012 BIM Conference in Singapore, organising the 2013 and 2017 International QS BIM Conference in Hong Kong, attending BIM Committee meetings during each year's Pacific Association of Quantity Surveyors Congress, organising BIM CPD talks and training courses, and conducting BIM research papers, etc.

In this Council year, the QSD successfully organised three BIM CPD talks with high attendance rates on 20 May, 19 July, and 14 August 2017. Certainly attendees had learned a lot about BIM by attending these talks.

The QSD has organised various introductory hands-on and intermediate BIM training courses since 2012. In order to help members gain more knowledge of BIM, the QSD has arranged three new BIM training courses in this Council Year.

10.2 The 5th ICUMAS 2017 (30/3/2017)

I attended the ICUMAS Conference as one of its speakers on 30 March 2017. The theme of the conference was "BIM, Control & Utility Management for Smart City and The Sponge City". My topic was "The BIM Journey of the HKIS". The conference served as a platform for different building and BIM professionals to share their visions of and way forward for BIM implementation. It was well-attended by the Guest of Honour, Ir Hon Chi-keung, JP; the keynote speaker, Ms Ada Fung, JP; and other distinguished guests, architects, and engineers.



10.3 The HKIUS BIM Conference (22/5/2017)

The HKIUS BIM Conference - Showcase of BIM Procurement Methods - was held at the Charles K Kao Auditorium, Hong Kong Science Park, on 22 May 2017. I represented the HKIS at this conference, which was co-organised by Construction



Industry Council and Hong Kong Institute of Construction Managers and supported by the HKIS. During this Conference, different BIM procurement methods and different contract forms were introduced by local and overseas speakers from London and Singapore.

10.4 PAQS BIM Committee Meeting (22/7/2017)

Sr Sunny Choi (PAQS BIM Committee Vice Chairman and QSD Honorary Secretary), Sr Paul Ho (QSD Past Chairman), and Sr KK Tang (QSD Co-opted member) represented the Institute to attend the PAQS BIM Committee Meeting on 22 July 2017. It was a good opportunity to share experiences on BIM amongst the delegates of the PAQS member countries/regions. More details are covered in paragraph 1.6.3 of this report.

10.5 International QS BIM Conference 2017 Hong Kong (18/11/2017)

The International QS BIM Conference 2017 Hong Kong was successfully held at the Regal Ballroom, Regal Hongkong Hotel, Causeway Bay, on 18 November 2017. This conference was jointly organised by the QSD, the Construction Industry Council (CIC), the Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors (AIQS), the Royal Institution of Surveyors Malaysia (RISM) and the Singapore Institute of Surveyors and Valuers (SISV). About 350 participants attended and gave good responses.

The theme of the conference was “Quantity Take-off (QTO), Cost Management and the Way Forward of BIM for Quantity for Quantity Surveyors”. The conference aimed to share both local and overseas BIM experience and expertise in construction budget planning and cost management.

The conference started with my welcome speech. It was followed by the keynote speech “Building a Collaborative Future: BIM in Hong Kong” by Ms Ada Fung Yin-suen, BBS, JP, Deputy Director of Housing (Development & Construction) of Hong Kong Housing Authority, and Chairperson of Committee on BIM of CIC. There were also other 11 heavyweight speakers from Australia, China, Malaysia, Singapore and the elites in Hong Kong, who delivered thought-provoking presentations.

I must thank the guests, speakers, sponsors, and supporting organisations. My most heartfelt thanks also go to the Joint Conference Organising

Committee members headed by our OC Chairman, Sr K C Tang. In addition, I also thank the participants at this conference for their support and making it a wonderful and successful event. I hope everyone gained some knowledge from the conference.



1. Welcome speech by QSD Chairman, Sr Raymond Kam.
2. Keynote speech by Deputy Director of Housing (Development & Construction) of HKHA, and Chairperson of Committee on BIM of CIC, Ms Ada Fung.
3. Presentation of Certificate to AIQS Vice President, Sr Peter Ng by HKIS President, Sr Thomas Ho.
4. About 350 participants attend the Conference.
5. Group photo of representatives from AIQS, RISM, SISV and HKIS.
6. Presentation of Certificate to speakers by HKIS President, Sr Thomas Ho.

10.6 Consultation Forum on Proposed Building Information Modelling (BIM) Contract Conditions (29/11/2017)

The Government of the HKSAR actively promoted the use of BIM in major capital projects in its Policy Address 2017. While BIM appears to be a worldwide and irreversible trend, local employers, consultants, contractors and subcontractors are concerned with their risks and liabilities when using BIM. Therefore, proper contract conditions which set out the obligations, responsibilities and liabilities of the contracting parties are essential for successful implementation of BIM. In response to this industrial need, the QSD has drafted standard conditions of contract for BIM.

The QSD organised a consultation forum on the proposed BIM Contract Conditions for QSD members on 29 November 2017. In this consultation forum, our Past QSD Chairman, Sr Dr Paul Ho, outlined the proposed BIM contract conditions which included the general provisions, priority of contract documents, obligations of the project participant, digital data and BIM management, BIM execution plan, risk allocation in respect of the model, intellectual property rights of the model, indemnity and insurance, and termination, recession or expiry of the agreement. While explaining the rationale

of each contract condition, Sr Dr Ho also briefly compared the proposed BIM contract conditions with some overseas BIM contracts such as UK's CIC BIM Protocol, US's AIA BIM and Digital Data Exhibit and Singapore's BIM Particular Conditions. In the consultation forum, our QSD members contributed their views for the refinement and improvement of the proposed BIM contract conditions.

In order to collect views from other professionals other than quantity surveyors, the QSD will organise a similar consultation forum for the members of other professional institutes shortly.



11. CONTRACT FORMS

11.1 Discontinued Printing of the Old Standard Forms of Contract

Members are advised that the HKIS will stop printing and selling the standard forms of contract listed below from 1 February 2018:

1. The Agreement & Schedule of Conditions of Building Contract for use in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Standard Form of Building Contract Private Edition - Without Quantities, 1986 Edition; First Amendments published in September 1997 and Second Amendments in July 1999.
2. The Agreement & Schedule of Conditions of Building Contract for use in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Standard Form of Building Contract Private Edition - With Quantities, 1986 Edition; First Amendments published in September 1997 and Second Amendments in July 1999.
3. The Form for Use When the Sub-Contractor is Nominated under the Standard Form of Contract for Hong Kong Sub-Contract, 1986 Edition, First Amendments published in September 1997 and Second Amendments in February 2000.

Limited copies of the above publications are available for sale for as long as the stocks last.

11.2 New Edition of Standard Forms for Building Contract

The four standard building contracts (2005/2006 Edition; hereafter New Forms), which include the Agreement and Schedule of Conditions of Building Contract with Quantities (2005), Agreement and Schedule of Conditions of Building Contract without Quantities (2006), Agreement and Schedule of Conditions of Nominated Sub-Contract (2005), and Agreement and Schedule of Conditions of Nominated Supply Contract (2005) have become four of the most popular standard contracts used in the construction industry.

A new edition of the New Forms (hereafter New Edition) will be published tentatively in 2018. The New Edition will mainly incorporate the suggestions and comments received from users and stakeholders of the New Forms since the 2005/06 publication.

12. NEW LEGISLATIONS

12.1 Competition Ordinance & Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Ordinance

Two ordinances highly related to the construction industry, namely: "Competition Ordinance (Cap. 619)" and "The Contracts (Right of Third Parties) Ordinance (Cap. 623)" took effect on 14 December 2015 and 1 January 2016 respectively. To comply with the Competition Ordinance, the QSD has undertaken prompt and decisive steps to remove the fee scales from the HKIS website before 14 December 2015.

To let our members understand the concepts and implications of these two ordinances, the QSD has organised several relevant CPD talks. Penalties for failing to comply with these two ordinances can be severe. Members are required to be fully aware of the effects of these ordinances.

12.2 Proposed Security of Payment Legislation (SOPL)

The HKIS has been working closely with the Hong Kong Institute of Architects (HKIA) and the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers (HKIE) on the proposed SOPL. Further to the two forums held with the members of HKIA, HKIE and HKIS, a number of meetings on this issue were held with the Development Bureau (DevB) since the public consultation concluded at the end of August 2015. One focus of the discussions was on the establishment of the Joint Adjudication Appointing Body by the HKIA, HKIE, and HKIS. The three institutes are still reviewing the said issue and other outstanding issues with the DevB.

13. CONCLUSIONS

I am pleased to conclude that the QSD Council has accomplished most of the tasks set out in the 2016/17 Year Plan with the concerted effort of the Officers, Council members, Co-opted members, Sub-committee members, Panel Advisors and the Secretariat of the Institute.

This year has been a very successful one for the QSD in terms of connections with its members, training for probationers and associate members, continuous professional development for its members and external collaborations and liaisons with other local and overseas professional bodies. The QSD has also maintained connections with various Mainland cost engineering associations from Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou, Shenzhen, Foshan, Dongguan and Zhuhai.

My heartfelt thanks go to all outgoing Council members for their unfailing support and valuable advice, without which the QSD would not have been able to accomplish its remarkable feats in the Council Year 2016/17. I also thank all members for their support to the QSD and wish they will continue to lend their support to the QSD in the Council Year 2017/18.

Divisional Council & Young Surveyors Group Reports

Young Surveyors Group



Sr Chris Mook
YSG Chairman

HKIS YSG consists of young surveying practitioners and university students who are under the age of 40. For many years, YSG have been devoting to the promotion of professional knowledge learning, career development and interpersonal network development for the young members as well as the assistance of the younger generation in developing themselves in the surveying profession.

This year, YSG deepened these goals further with the theme of "Y-S-G":-

- Y:** represents the youth innovation in introducing the surveying profession to students and the public.
- S:** represents the search for interesting topics that are relevant to the surveying profession.
- G:** represents the gatherings for younger surveyors in YSG events which provide the opportunities for networking and sharing of dreams.

Y: Youth Innovation

During the Education and Careers Expo in 2017, YSG encouraged young members, together with surveying students from HKU, PolyU and CityU, to exert their utmost energy and creativity in introducing the surveying profession to the public via a series of specially designed mini-games which demonstrated the daily tasks of surveyors.

In a joint professional career day named 「專業發展分享日 2017」暨「生涯規劃教育區域發展網絡啟動禮」, which was attended by 200 secondary students from various secondary schools, YSG committees designed and hosted a sharing game called “One Cloud or One Dream?”, in which students were to share whether the career day had added nothing to their minds (their views of the profession were still “Clouded”), or had already made some difference to the visions of their future careers (changed from a “Cloud” to a “Dream”). All of the students chose “Dream” and shared the things they learned from our young professionals on that day!

S: Search for Interests

YSG helped organise various types of CPD events (about 40 CPDs held this year) and the Harbin YSG Study Tour, as well as provided support to young members in attending international conferences so that the young members can learn more about the surveying profession in Hong Kong and around the world.

G: Gather for Dreams

YSG have set up a series of networking platforms across various divisions as well as with youth groups in other professions (e.g. YCPG Joint Professional Networking Party 2017), which are to give our young members more opportunities to meet with friends who share the same interests and dreams.

An excellent example of such activities is the HKIS dragon boat team (港測龍), which gathers together a team of young members from various divisions and university students with the same dreams. One of their dreams this year was to stay at NUMBER ONE among all professionals in the Joint Professional dragon boat race. To achieve their goal, the YSG committees recruited more than 40 paddlers and arranged weekly practices since March 2017. With their great devotion, the HKIS dragon boat team succeeded in staying at NUMBER ONE among all professionals in the Joint Professional dragon boat race. Meanwhile, they also managed to get a prize in the highest standard race, the Gold Cup Final of the international dragon boat championship!

With the above achievements, I believe YSG can foster our young and energetic members, who dare to innovate and love to learn, to become a new force in the surveying profession and to realise their dreams!

Finally, I would like to sincerely thank all the YSG committees, co-opted members, and university students for their vital contributions to all the YSG/

joint professional events that were aimed to fulfill the “Y-S-G” themes during the year! Their great works are presented in the video called “ 理想…你想 ?” at the link below:

<https://youtu.be/SBZTJ4AsOQQ>

Lastly, I would like to stress that I am confident that YSG will continue its efforts in striving to achieve the Group's and our “DREAMS”.



Joint Profession CPD Event - One Day Seminar



Education and Careers Expo



Joint Professional Career Day to Secondary School



Harbin YSG Study Tour



YCPG Joint Professional Networking Party



HKIS Dragon Boat Team Staying NUMBER ONE



YSG Annual Dinner