

The Association of Consulting Engineers of Hong Kong

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CHAIRMAN'S CORNER



ACEHK is pleased to enter its 40th year of service and contribution to the engineering industry. In the past, we are proud to witness Hong Kong being transformed from a rural fishing port to a metropolitan connecting China and the world with its highly efficient transportation network. Construction industry and so thus consulting engineers have contributed to the success of Hong Kong while the society embraces our industry, recognizing us as an important force to build a better Hong Kong while the living of the workforce in this industry is also enhanced.

In recent years, Hong Kong consulting engineers and professionals have outreached to China and other Asia countries, demonstrating the competency and agility of Hong Kong's engineers. Following the Belt and Road Initiative, the Association has led the Hong Kong Consulting Engineers' initial footprint further to ASEAN and European countries, promoting the advancement of profession and extending the business border. ACEHK will continue to enable members to bridge with this new initiative, exploring business opportunities and connecting our members with our partners.

In the future, ACEHK will keep its momentum to promote the advancement of the Profession of Consulting Engineering.

Since May this year, a series of 40th Anniversary celebration events have been carried out, not only to celebrate this memorable year, but also aiming to maintain a communication channel between our members and the government and other stakeholders. Moment capture of the past activities and details of upcoming events are included in this issue. I look forward to seeing your support and participation in these upcoming celebration events.

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MATTERS OF THE MOMENT

40th Anniversary Cocktail Reception

On 23 May 2016, ACEHK started its first 40th Anniversary celebrate event – Cocktail Reception at Hong Kong Club. We are extremely honorable to have Mrs Carrie Lam, the Chief Secretary of HKSAR Government as the Guest of Honour and deliver her speech. She expressed her thanks for the contribution and achievement by ACEHK n the past years in advancing the professionalism for Hong Kong engineers in the construction industry and encouraged ACEHK to keep the momentum on shaping Hong Kong as a livable city.

Over 150 nos. of government officials, clients, contractors, academics, professions & institutions partners and also our members participated in the cocktail reception and all enjoyed the relaxed evening. Event photo album is uploaded to ACEHK website.







40th Anniversary Photo Competition

The 40th Anniversary Photo Competition – "Creation from Engineers" was successfully held in April 2016. This competition was to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of ACEHK and also aimed to honour the contribution of consulting engineers made to the development of Hong Kong. We are honoured that this competition was also included in the "Appreciate Hong Kong" Campaign launched by the HKSAR government.

This competition was open to all, for both professionals and public. The competition had 2 categories for entries: Individual and Corporate. Over the last month, we are glad to have received more than 200 impressive entries where they were all highly praised by our judging panel: based on the 1) usage of colour and light; 2) expression and elaboration of ideas; 3) creativity, and 4) entry caption and explanation.





40th Anniversary Seminar on "Innovation and Creativity"

This year, we celebrate the 40th anniversary of the ACEHK with the theme of "Innovation and Creativity" for the seminary. The seminar is successfully held on 29 June 2016 at Hong Kong Exhibition and Convention Centre.

This Seminar aims to build from our established high quality infrastructure portfolio in Hong Kong, to address recent public aspiration/ demand for a balanced living environment, and to optimize costs and resources to achieve a sustainable future. The Seminar will bring leading experts from a spectrum of disciplines to share and discuss innovation and creativity solutions to address and overcome issues in the planning, design, construction, operation and maintenance of modern day infrastructure.

Over 350 participants attended the seminar and 22 nos. of as supporting organisation. We are pleased to have Mr. CK Hon, Permanent Secretary of Development Bureau, HKSAR Government as the Guest of Honour to deliver his keynote speech. In the morning session, we have 7 presentations while in the afternoon session, 10 speakers has joined the discussion forum followed by a keynote address by Mr. Gordon Wu. Event photo is now available at ACEHK website.







Meeting with Liaison Office of the Central People's Government

ACEHK has visited the Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the HKSAR (中聯辦) on 22 July 2016 to introduce ACEHK and its past contribution to Hong Kong. During the meeting, the experience and capability of ACEHK members relevant in the Belt and Road initiative

We have a fruitful sharing and discussion with the officials in the Liaison Office on how to get involved and participated on the great Belt and Road opportunity and China businesses. As a next step, ACEHK would arrange a meeting with Ms Yvonne Choi Ying-pik, the Commissioner for Belt and Road.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Format:

40th Anniversary Golf Day

To enhance our social network, a golf day will be organized in October 2016. The team sponsorship will be donated to Construction Charity Fund (建造業關懷基金), which is to initially provide immediate financial assistance and condolences to families of workers who lost their family member in construction related accidents. Event Details are as below:

Date: 5 October 2016

Venue: The Hong Kong Jockey Club Kau Sai Chau Golf

Course Stroke Play

Deadline: 21 September 2016

Entry for participation are welcomed, please contact Ms Jenny Chui @ jenny.chui@aecom.com if you are interested.



40th Anniversary Album

ACEHK will issue Celebrating 40th anniversary book to record the significant milestone of ACEHK and look ahead. The issue will earmark the past, present and future of ACEHK. We also welcome encouraging words and congratulatory messages from clients, all business partners and all ACEHK members. The album will be coming at early 2017.

40th Annual Dinner & Annual General Meeting (AGM)

ACEHK Annual Dinner:

Date : 28 November 2016 Venue : Cordis Hotel, Mongkok

ACEHK Annual General Meeting:

Date: 1 December 2016 Venue: Hong Kong Club

NEW JOINERS

We warmly welcome Benaim Limited joining the ACEHK from August 2016. Benaim is Benaim a specialist structural, civil and geotechnical consultant, operating primarily in the design and construct and value engineering markets.

RECENT CHANGES TO LIST OF REGISTERED PRINCIPALS

Joiners

NameFirmRobert B CookBenaimAnthony John WillisBenaimDavid AN LickissBenaim

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FEEDBACK CORNER

Event updates have also been posted in http://www.acehk.org.hk

Members can provide feedback on any current issue to chairman@acehk.org.hk