

General Practice Division Chairman's Message

Sr Francis Ng GPD Council Chairman



Visit of the Hunan Appraisal Association

A delegation from the Hunan Appraisal Association (湖南省房地產業協會) visited the HKIS on 25 October 2013. It was led by Ms Lín Lán-zhēn (林蘭珍) and comprised 35 members from various property valuation organisations and companies. At the meeting held at the HKIS Surveyor Learning Centre, we had exchanged views on the following aspects:-

- Introduction of HKIS, its organisation and role of professional surveyors
介紹香港測量師學會及它的架構，執業人員的工作
- HKIS Valuation Standards, business and property valuation in HK
香港測量師學會 - 「評估準則」。房地估價及資產評估
- Rules of conduct, professional ethics of HKIS members
香港測量師學會對會員專業道德及專業操守的規管
- Experience-sharing on Hong Kong valuation services, scope of work and local practices
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Sr Francis NG, KK ChiU, Edward AU and Joseph HO attended the meeting with the Hunan Appraisal Association

Questions on valuation standards, practices, monitoring, control and supervision were raised. We had a fruitful dialogue and wished to have further contacts with them in the near future.



Group photo taken with representatives of the Hunan Appraisal Association.



GPD APC Part I Examination

The GPD Education Committee organised the APC Part I Examination on 5 and 12 October 2013. This year, we had 63 candidates. Results of the examination will be released in early November. Hopefully, sufficient time can be allowed for participants to prepare their critical analyses for the Part II Interview. Starting this year, Part I Examination consists of four papers – Valuation, Land Law, Estate Agency & Property Management and Urban Land Economics. All candidates should have attended the 40-hour structured learning

programme and revision classes before sitting the test. We wish them success in the coming examinations.

Members of the GPD APC Committee are Sr Louie Chan, Edward Au, Joseph Ho, TC Wong and Thomas Tang. They all deserve 'a big thank you' for their hard work in preparing and organising the Structured Learning Programme and APC examination.

HKIS Land Policy Panel

Stage 2 Community Engagement (CE) for Hung Shui Kiu New Development Planning and Engineering Study (hereafter called "the Study") commenced on 15 July 2013. The intention was to solicit views on the preliminary Outline Development Plan so as to facilitate formulation of the Recommendation Outline Development Plan during the next stage of the Study. For exchanging views between the Study

Team and stakeholders, a briefing on the Study and related issues was held on 9 October 2013. It was well attended by HKIS members. Representatives from the Planning Department, Civil Engineering and Development Department and their consultants also attended the seminar. HKIS Land Policy Panel will collect views from practitioners and send our input to the government in due course.

Progress on CIREA Subscription/Registration

Collection of annual subscriptions and checking of registration forms for the second batch CIREA members were completed and related documents were sent to CIREA for processing. For the first batch CIREA members, the

subscriptions received were remitted. Meanwhile GPD Council wishes to cast a vote of thanks to Sr Edward AU who has all along spent relentless effort on this issue. ■■■