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The International Federation of Surveyors (FIG) Congress 2014 was held on 16-21 June in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Over 2,500 participants from almost 100 countries attended the event. There were around 550 presentations on various aspects of land surveying, geospatial information management, cadastre and land administration, satellite positioning, valuation standards, etc. The Prime Minister of Malaysia, the Honourable Dato' Sri Mohd Najib bin Tun Haji Abdul Razak, officiated the opening ceremony. He said, "Politicians and governments can do more to embrace the revolution in geospatial data gathering and analysis. Surveyors produce some of the most important data. We should work to improve spatial data infrastructure and implement policies to ensure that spatial data is reliable and accessible for re-use." During the Congress, a declaration was adopted to urge representatives of each member state to support the draft resolution on the Global Geodetic Reference Frame for Sustainable Development, which will be submitted to the 2013-14 session of the United Nations General Assembly for approval. I, Sr Edward Au, and Sr Dr Conrad Tang attended the FIG Congress on behalf of the HKIS, participated in its discussion forums, and presented papers.



HKIS Delegates with FIG President Sr CheeHai Teo

LegCo's Bills Committee on the Property Management Services Bill conducted its second meeting on 23 July. Sr Gary Yeung represented the HKIS at this meeting to present the Institute's view on the Bill. We made comments on the general principle of the Bill and individual clause of prohibition of unlicensed activities, licensing of property management companies and property management practitioners, the duties of licencees, disciplinary matters, appeal, the property management services authority, and transitional provisions.

The government briefed members of the LegCo Panel, on 16 July, on the Implementation Framework of the Pilot Scheme for Arbitration on Land Premium, which aims to facilitate early agreement over land premium payable by arbitration with a view to speed up the supply of land and housing. The Institute reviewed the implementation arrangement put forward by the government and was delighted that the views it had submitted were included in the pilot scheme, particularly the scope of arbitration, the composition of the Arbitral Tribunal, the requirements of professional surveyors who serve in the Tribunal, the date of valuation, the arbitration timeframe, and the arbitration award. The Institute is in the process of preparing a list of professional surveyors with experience in valuation and land matters for possible service in the Arbitral Tribunal.

The Institute held a meeting with the Development Bureau on 3 July to discuss the Institute's ideas on how to improve cost management in infrastructure projects. We proposed that infrastructure works projects should adopt the cost

management organisation structure of building works projects, in which the cost control role is assumed by an independent cost consultant.

The first HKIS GPD Valuation Conference was held on 28 June. Its theme was Valuation Practices in Hong Kong. The conference offered a valuable platform for participants to exchange views and explore opportunities to keep Hong Kong's valuation practices abreast of the latest market trends and international standards. Over 200 participants attended the Conference.



The HKIS Diploma Presentation Ceremony was held on 27 June. This was the second diploma presentation conducted this year. Eighty-two members received their diplomas during this session. I want to extend my congratulations to our new members and those who obtained their Fellow Member qualifications. I encourage them to actively participate in the Institute's activities and bring in new ideas for the continued development of the profession.

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President

國際測量師聯合會 (FIG) 2014 大會於 2014 年 6 月 16-21 日於馬來西亞吉隆坡舉行。來自世界近 100 個國家的 2,500 多位代表出席，大會就有關土地測量、地理空間信息管理、地籍和土地管理、衛星定位及估值標準等，作了近五百五十個報告。馬來西亞總理納吉布·阿卜杜勒·拉扎克主持開幕典禮，並表示「政府和政黨可以更多利用地理空間數據的創新科技，測量師為各項的應用提供了重要的數據。我們必需改善空間數據基礎設施和制定政策，以確保數據的可靠性和可再用性。」大會通過了支持「建立全球大地測量參考框架以支持可持續發展」的宣言草案，該草案將提交予 2013-14 年度聯合國大會作議決。我與區成禧測量師及鄧康偉博士測量師代表學會出席大會，並參與研討會討論及作專題報告。

《物業管理服務條例草案》委員會於 7 月 23 日進行了第二次會議。楊文佳測量師代表學會出席，並就法案原則、禁止無牌活動、物業管理公司及物業管理人的領牌、持牌人的責任、紀律事宜、上訴、物業管理業監管局、過渡安排等，發表了學會的意見。

政府於 7 月 16 日向立法局發展事務委員會簡介了有關「補地價仲裁先導計劃」的實施框架。該計劃的目的是加快私人土地擁有者和政府之間的補地價談判過程，從而加快土地及房屋供應。學會很高興政府採納了學會早前提交的意見，把學會對仲裁範圍、仲裁庭的組成、委任專業測量師為仲裁庭成員的要求、估值日期、仲裁時限及裁決等建議，納入於實施框架當中。學會正在整理一份列明具有相關土地事宜和估價經驗的專業測量師名單，以供委任仲裁庭成員之用。

學會代表與發展局於 7 月 3 日會面，商討學會對改善基建項目的成本管理機制的意見。學會建議基建工程項目採用現在樓宇建築項目的成本管理機制，使項目的成本監控工作，由獨立工程造價顧問執行。

學會產業測量組於 6 月 28 日首次舉辦「估價會議」，是次會議提供與會者一個寶貴的平台，就香港估值工作深入探討，及在最新的市場趨勢及國際行業標準方面交流意見。超過二百位參加者出席是次會議。

今年第二次文憑頒授典禮於 6 月 27 日舉行。共 82 位會員獲頒授文憑。在此，我恭賀各位新會員及獲得資深會員資格的會員。我期望各會員積極參與學會的活動，為我們帶來更多新意念，以助行業持續發展。

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