



Building Surveying Division
Sr Daniel Chang BSD Council Chairman

Meeting with Senior Officials of the Liaison Office of the Central People's Government

The Vice Minister of the Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the HKSAR, Mr Tan Tieniu, and other officials visited the HKIS on 11 September. I was delighted to join the HKIS President, Office Bearers, and other Divisional Chairman to meet with them. The President introduced the HKIS, while the various chairs touched on the functions and recent activities of their respective divisions. Mr Tan showed a strong appreciation of the contribution of surveyors to Hong Kong's real estate development.



Communications Meeting with Architectural Services Department

On 22 August, I joined the half-yearly communications meeting with officials of the Architectural Services Department and representatives of the Professional Building Surveying Consultancy Association (PBSCA). Apart from discussing professional practices, cooperation, and support among the parties, the Director kindly arranged a presentation of and site visit to the BSA 2017 winning project, "Renovation of 1/F Main Block, APB Centre". This project won three awards at BSA 2017: the Sustainability Award, Ideas and Approach Award, and first place in the A&A and Conversion Category. The project officer-in-charge briefed the audience on the project's highlights, sustainability designs, cost and programme, etc. This project is the first BEAM Plus Interior Project to obtain a platinum rating. The new facility reduced its energy use by employing a chilled ceiling design, task light, and carefully planned lighting zoning. It was impressive to know that the facility recycled over 90 per cent of its waste and adopted planting coupled with backup irrigation by manual pumping. The Director agreed to arrange a CPD and site walk to the winning project and share the sustainability practice that building surveyors should consider when planning their next new or renovation projects.

Happy Hour Sharing by Senior Member

Veteran building surveyor Sr Daniel Lam hosted a happy hour sharing session on 13 September. I took this chance to learn about his wisdom, vision, and insights as he discussed his career from a building surveyor in the civil service and developer to an entrepreneur in private practice and executive in statutory organisations. On top of all this, he strongly emphasised caring for the community and people. He encouraged surveyors to contribute their skills to improving the lives and betterment of people and communities at large.



Building Management Week

The Water Supplies, Buildings, Electrical and Mechanical Services, Fire Services, Food and Environmental Hygiene, and Home Affairs Departments jointly organised Building Management Week 2017, which was a four-day event from 21-24 September. The event aimed to increase the public's awareness of the importance of proper building management and

seek collaboration with stakeholders to deliver value-added services that meet the needs of building owners and residents. The event included diverse and enriching activities such as an opening ceremony, workshops, symposia, carnival, competition, and award presentation ceremony. I was delighted to attend its opening ceremony on 21 September.



Joint Conference with China Association of Engineering Consultants (CAEC)

To commemorate the tenth year of the signing of a mutual recognition agreement with the CAEC, the Working Group has been working closely with its Chinese counterparts to organise a conference in Guangzhou. Its tentative schedule is from 3-4 November 2017 and the themes will be building maintenance management in China, professional practice-sharing, and roles in new development areas. Stay tuned for further announcements on this event.