



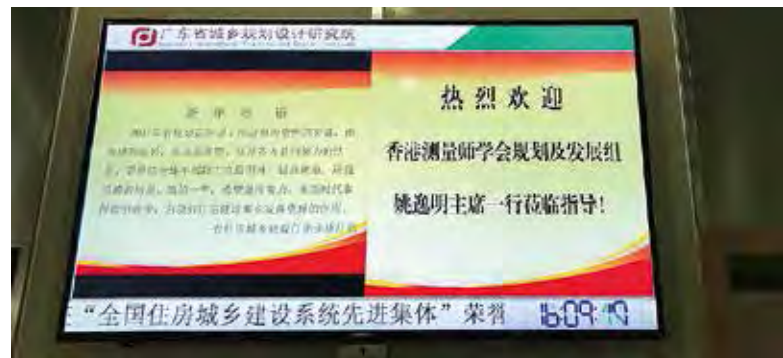
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Visit to Guangdong City Planning Association

The Guangdong City Planning Association (廣東省城市規劃協會: <http://www.gcpa.org.cn/>) is the leading professional organisation which aims to promote Urban Planning Design, Planning Education, Planning Control and Planning Studies among cities in the Guangdong Province.

On 9 January, I visited the Guangdong City Planning Association with Sr Paul Cheung, Chairman of the Guangzhou Forum. I firstly introduced the HKIS and its PDD division to the association. Under the One Belt One Road and Greater Bay Area initiatives, we agreed that there will be great opportunities for cooperation as the strategies continue. We then shared ideas on how the Guangdong Province and Hong Kong can work together to facilitate growth of the planning and development profession. An agreement was reached to strengthen knowledge exchange and to create more cooperation opportunities for the professionals of both regions.

As a result, we are pleased to arrange a MOU signing ceremony with the Guangdong City Planning Association on 20 March. Our President, Sr Dick Kwok, would also be present and sign the MOU in person. With the sharing of successful planning and management experiences as the key area of cooperation, I believe it would greatly benefit us by sharing the knowledge of the field, especially in the regional cooperation. All members are welcomed to join the ceremony to learn about our partnership in the future.



Student Greeting and Briefing Meeting

A greeting and briefing meeting was held on 17 January for new student members to learn more about the career and PDD APC. I am pleased to meet and give my warmest welcome to the 18 participants who engaged actively throughout the meeting.

It has been one of the objectives of PDD to expand its member base. Hence, to attract more members, I believe it is important to offer interactive platforms for students to understand this profession and the channel to enter it. Therefore, we will arrange another session at HKU after Chinese New Year.

