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On 4 May (Friday), the PFMD organised a technical visit to Shenzhen's Greater Bay Area (大灣區深圳一天考察團：深圳平安金融中心、深圳騰訊控股有限公司、前海). It was the PFMD's first technical visit outside Hong Kong this year and it was coordinated by the Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (LOCPGHK). Forty-one participants joined the visit including Mr Li Yong Quan (李永權科長), who represented the LOCPGHK's Department of Educational, Scientific & Technological Affairs.

During this event, the participants first visited the Qian Hai Exhibition Hall (前海展示廳). They were guided by a Qian Hai representative who showed them the area's overall planning and achievements in recent years. After that, the delegation visited One Excellent Qian Hai (卓越前海壹號), a newly-developed commercial and residential complex, and took group photos in front of the famous Qian Hai Stone. Then participants had a lunch gathering to share their views on further development and opportunities in the Greater Bay Area.

The highlight of this event was the office tour of Tencent Holdings' new headquarters in Shenzhen. The tour guide showed the delegation a fully-furnished, typical office floor and recreation facilities floor. All participants were excited to see the high technology facial recognition security system that would be installed at each floor entrance and the building's recreational facilities, which included, but were not limited to, a climbing rock wall, running tracks, basketball court, badminton court, table tennis courts, leisure areas, etc. The tour participants became jealous of the staff working at Tencent!

The final destination of the visit before the delegation returned to Hong Kong was a visit

to the Ping An Finance Centre, a 118-storey mega-tall skyscraper that provides 4.94 million square feet of premium Grade A office and retail space. The building serves as the national headquarters of the Ping An Group. Currently, it is the tallest building in Shenzhen and the delegation got to visit its 100th floor, which gave a panoramic view of Shenzhen Futian District. The delegation wants to express its special thanks to Ping An Finance Centre management, which provided in-depth information on how to manage such a super-tall building.

Last, but not least, the PFMD wants to express its sincere thanks to Mr Li of LOCPGHK and the representatives of Qian Hai, Tencent Holdings Limited, and The Ping An Finance Centre, as well as PFMD Council Member, Ms Amy Tang, for making this visit successful and giving members some unforgettable memories.





Technical Visit to Shenzhen's Greater Bay Area on 4 May

Memorandum of the Mutual Recognition of Membership (MMRM) between the PFMD and its RICS Counterpart

The PFMD has issued questionnaires to its members to seek their reactions to the mutual recognition with the RICS before arranging a public forum for members to express their views on the MMRM issue.

The former MMRM between the HKIS and RICS was signed on 14 November 2005 and superseded an older agreement dating back to 30 November 1998. The HKIS and RICS have had an established relationship for over 30 years. Since 2012, there have been many structural changes in the division of the professions and admission routes, as well as the entry procedures, for new RICS members. Changes in the RICS's reciprocity policy have also caused concern for HKIS members.

In April 2013, the six Divisions and YSG reached a consensus to terminate the MMRM with effect on 2 January 2014. It did not mean an end to the relationship between the HKIS and RICS, since it only dealt with membership recognition. Cooperation between the two organisations has continued, as there have been courtesy visits by key office bearers, co-organised conferences and CPD events, etc. The HKIS/RICS Liaison Committee was formed on 22 February 2016 by the HKIS to foster a better relationship between the HKIS and RICS to work on issues of common interest, so as to develop a better mutual relationship through joint CPD and social events and consider the aspirations of the next generation of surveyors by exploring possible future mutual recognitions.

In view of this recent development, the PFMD considers that it would be appropriate to consult members with a view to exploring the possibility of mutual recognition between the PFMD and the RICS's Facilities Management. Following the questionnaire, the PFMD Council will arrange a discussion forum to allow members to air their views and hopefully win a mandate from them to establish a new reciprocal recognition agreement with the RICS, especially if the survey and results of the consultation are positive.