



### Land Surveying Division

Sr Dr Lesly Lam LSD Council Chairman

#### Happy New Year. All the Best in 2019!

This is my second time serving as LSD Council Chairman. I want to express my sincere gratitude to Sr Dr Conrad Tang, who successfully led the LSD by taking many big leaps (e.g. divisional revision of the APC Rules and Guide, liaisons with Mainland counterparts, six-digit financial surpluses, a new and concrete mutual recognition agreement with the RICS, etc, over the past three years). In my coming term, I shall continue the good work of the previous councils and encourage land surveyors to contribute more.

Sector Information Portal (data.gov.hk). The LSD looks forward to data from other sectors. As for smart city infrastructure, the Government wants to build a new big data analytics platform by 2020, which will enable real-time data transmissions and sharing among government departments. I believe that land surveyors can contribute to this via the step-wise establishment of common spatial data infrastructure. Should you have any ideas, please call me or e-mail [leslylam@hkis.org.hk](mailto:leslylam@hkis.org.hk).

### Land Surveying Division Committees

The 2018 LSD Council was elected during the Annual General Meeting in November. The Council will usually meet monthly during evenings on each month's second Tuesday. Should you have ideas or comments on the profession, please voice them to Council members or join the meetings by notifying us in advance. You are mostly welcome.



### Smart City Development

Land surveyors are one group of key professionals in smart city development. A smart city establishment in Hong Kong is in the pipeline. This year, the Council will take the initiative to promote its expertise and knowledge in this groundbreaking area. Common spatial data infrastructure and open data are two key parts of a smart city and LSD members will try to contribute more to these fields. Opening up more public and private sector data in digital format to facilitate research and innovation is a must. Currently, the data of sectors such as health, transport, education, and housing can be accessed via the one-stop government Public

### CPD/PQSL Events

I recorded my appreciation to Dr Zhang Hao-dong, who took the lead in arranging many fruitful CPD and PQSL events for LSD members in 2018. For 2019, Dr Zhang will continue this excellent task. The LSD's CPD and PQSL events will cover the following fields: land boundaries, GIS, engineering surveying, new surveying science, and land surveying in property development. Thus, it seeks more surveying specialists to share their valuable knowledge and experiences. Having served in property development industry for a few years, I believe land surveyors should be more involved in it.