



Planning & Development Division
Sr Francis Lam PDD Council Chairman

TVB News Magazine Programme: 「鬧市綠洲？」

On 27 June, Sr Francis Lam appeared on the TVB News Magazine Programme – 「鬧市綠洲？」, to share on his thoughts on public open spaces in Hong Kong. The show discussed the poor quality and quantity of public open spaces in Hong Kong's urban areas, especially in Mong Kok and Sham Shui Po, which are two of the city's oldest districts. Francis opined that piecemeal redevelopment of the old districts mostly failed to establish a comprehensive open space network. Even the current Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines do not recommend that high quality public open spaces be provided.

The Government commenced the “Reimagining Public Spaces in Hong Kong – Feasibility Study” to review Hong Kong’s public spaces. As one of the city’s builders, the PDD will continue to promote quality open spaces for people to enjoy.

To view the episode, please visit: <https://youtu.be/dr1c7-JpTml>.



Francis discusses the root cause of unconnected open spaces in Hong Kong's older districts.



Francis discusses the poor quality of existing public open spaces.



Sr Francis Lam sets up a street experiment in Mong Kok to test the public open space requirement under the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines.

HKIS “Maintenance and Appreciation of Historical Buildings” Creativity Competition

On 4 July, Sr Francis Lam attended the first screening stage of the HKIS “Maintenance and Appreciation of Historical Buildings” Creativity Competition, the finalists for which will be selected to compete in the student category.



Francis reviews the submissions.

PDD CPD Event: Conceived for the Optimisation of Hong Kong's Subsidised Housing Scheme

On 21 July, the PDD invited Mr Anthony Chiu, Executive Director of the Federation of Public Housing Estates, to share its recent recommendations on housing policies. Mr Chiu discussed various proposals to refine the subsidised housing scheme with an aim to re-establish the housing ladder. He also shared his thoughts on recent hot topics such as rent control and subdivided units.



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1. Sr Francis Lam (front) and Mr Anthony Chiu (back) deliver their CPD in the Surveyors Learning Centre.
2. Anthony shares the recent recommendations of the Federation of Public Housing Estates.
3. Anthony (right) receives a souvenir from Francis (left) for his sharing session.

PDD CPD Event: Strategy for the Planning and Development of a Global Attraction in China (Theme Resorts as Lead Components of Large Commercial Developments)

On 22 July, Mr Lee Siu Kee came to share his experiences in developing theme parks and resorts. Having been involved in several well-known theme resort developments such as Hong Kong Disneyland and Guangzhou Chimelong, he discussed the critical components of building a successful global attraction.



4. Mr Lee Siu Kee shares the critical components of developing a successful global attraction.
5. Sr Edmond Yew introduces Mr Lee Siu Kee to the audience.
6. Edmond (front) and Siu Kee (back) answer questions from the floor.
7. Siu Kee (middle) receives a souvenir from Edmond (right) and Sr Junior Ho (left) for his sharing session.

PQSL Short Course: Planning Practice, Law and Ethics in Hong Kong

The PDD collaborates with the Department of Urban Planning and Design (DUPAD) of the University of Hong Kong (HKU) to offer the course, "Planning Practice, Law and Ethics in Hong Kong," to HKIS members. This course is a core course in DUPAD's Master of Science in Urban Planning programme. It is also open to HKIS Corporate Members who have property development experience, but not planning practice and experience in Hong Kong. The deadline for registration is 14 August 2020. For more details, please refer to the flyer below and HKIS website.

Code	: 2020117
Event Name	: PQSL Short Course: Planning Practice, Law and Ethics in Hong Kong
CPD Code	: Structured learning and programmes
Event Start Date	: 2020-09-02
Event Time	: 6:30–8:30pm, every Wednesday for 12 weeks starting from 2 September 2020
CPD Hours	: 24
Divisional PQSL Hours	: 24
Venue	: 8/F, Knowles Building, HKU
Division	: PDD
Organisers	: HKU DUPAD in collaboration with the HKIS PDD
Fee	: HK\$9,800 for HKIS Corporate Members only
Priority	: Priority is given to HKIS Corporate and YSG members who intend to join the PDD. The maximum quota for the 2020 intake is ten HKIS members.
Language	: English
Details	<p>The PDD collaborates with HKU DUPAD to offer the course of "Planning Practice, Law and Ethics in Hong Kong" to HKIS members. This course is a core course of the Master of Science in Urban Planning programme run by DUPAD.</p> <p>This course is recognised by the HKIP as one of the papers for its qualifying examination. It is open to HKIS Corporate Members who have property development experience, but not planning practice and experience in Hong Kong.</p> <p>Course Syllabus</p> <p>This short course provides one with a detailed understanding of professional planning practices in Hong Kong. It deals with the practical dimensions of planning in both the public and private sectors. The course reviews the history, policies, strategies, and administrative and legal procedures of planning. It also examines issues surrounding the ethical basis of professional planning activities.</p> <p>Assessment</p> <p>60%-70% continuous coursework assessment and 30%-40% examination</p> <p>Examination</p> <p>An examination will be held in December 2020, with the results to</p>

be released in January 2021. Notification letters with the results will be sent to students directly and copies of them to the HKIS for the issuance of attendance certificates indicating satisfactory completion.

Administration

Successful applicants will receive library cards for to gain access to the HKU Library.

Remarks : Closing Date for Applications: 14 August 2020

Online registration is NOT accepted for this PQSL course.

To register, please complete the attached Standard Reservation Form and return it together with payment to the HKIS Secretariat.

For further enquiries, please contact Ms Judy Shiu of the HKIS Education Department at 2526-3679.

Follow-up on PDD Research Proposal

A PDD Research Proposal titled, "Market Research for Hong Kong Planning and Development Surveyors in Belt and Road Countries: Case Studies of Vietnam, Thailand and Malaysia," was approved by the HKIS Research Committee in May. The HKIS has entered into a contract research agreement with HKU to recruit Dr Guibo Sun to conduct the aforesaid study, which should be completed by July 2022.

Welcoming New PDD Members

The PDD is pleased to welcome the following new members whose membership applications were approved/endorsed by the Board of Membership on 7 July.

Sr Kinman Leung Cheuk Hin

Sr Chris Li Kin Wah

Sr Philip Siu Kin Ming