



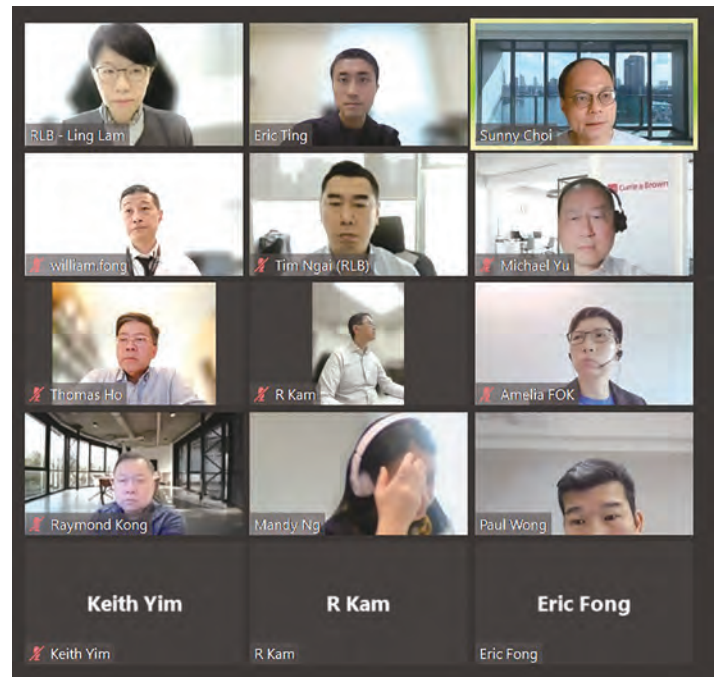
Quantity Surveying Division
Sr Sunny Choi QSD Council Chairman

Discussion on QS Manpower Supply

On 17 April, representatives of the QSD and Association of Consultant Quantity Surveyors (ACQS) met to review the development of the local construction industry, the volume of construction work ahead, and the manpower supply situation of quantity surveyors.

HKIS Representatives	ACQS Representatives
Sr Paul WONG (HKIS President)	Sr Ling LAM (Chairperson)
Sr Sunny CHOI (QSD Chairman)	Sr Thomas HO
Sr Raymond KAM (HKIS Hon Secretary)	Sr William FONG
Sr Tim NGAI (QSD Vice Chairman)	Sr Michael YU
Sr Eric TING (QSD Hon Secretary)	Sr Keith YIM
Sr Mandy NG (QSD Hon Treasurer)	Sr Eric FONG
Sr Raymond KONG (QSD Past Chairman)	
Sr Amelia FOK (QSD Past Chairman)	
Sr Sandy TANG (QSD Member)	

The issue of Hong Kong's inadequate manpower supply echoes the findings of the "Survey on QS Manpower Demand and Competences of Fresh QS Grades" performed by the QSD last year. It revealed a shortage of both quantity surveying graduates and experienced quantity surveyors. How to attract more young people to join the QS profession and how to apply technology to enhance QS workflows and increase productivity are key follow-up actions to take.



The New QSD Promotional Video

Come join us as professional quantity surveyors!

The QSD recently produced a new promotional video to showcase the key roles of quantity surveyors in the construction industry. Students from the science and arts streams can become professional quantity surveyors and play vital roles in managing costs and ensuring project success. Click on the following link to watch the video, "What is Quantity Surveying?"

<https://youtu.be/NTQLtFoiTiM>



CICES President's Visit to the HKIS (20 April 2023)

The President of the Chartered Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors (CICES), Dr Andrew Evans, led seven delegates to visit the HKIS on 20 April. HKIS President Sr Paul Wong, QSD Chairman Sr Sunny Choi, and LSD Chairman Sr Paul Tsui welcomed the group at the Surveyors Learning Centre. Apart from both institutes sharing their latest updates, they held thorough discussions on the following topics:

- HKIS and CICES reciprocal recognition of professional membership
- Collaboration on CPDs and trainings
- Collaboration on social functions and young surveyors' group activities.



CPD Event: Adoption of the New Engineering Contract (NEC) in Public Works Projects (12 April 2023)

Sr Francis Leung and Ir Joyce Li presented a CPD, "Adoption of the New Engineering Contract (NEC) in Public Works Projects in Hong Kong," to QSD members on 12 April.

In 2009, the Development Bureau introduced the first public works NEC. Since then, over 400 public works contracts have adopted it for projects with a combined total value of over HK\$250 billion. Francis and Joyce took members on an NEC journey through the experiences and challenges of various construction projects.

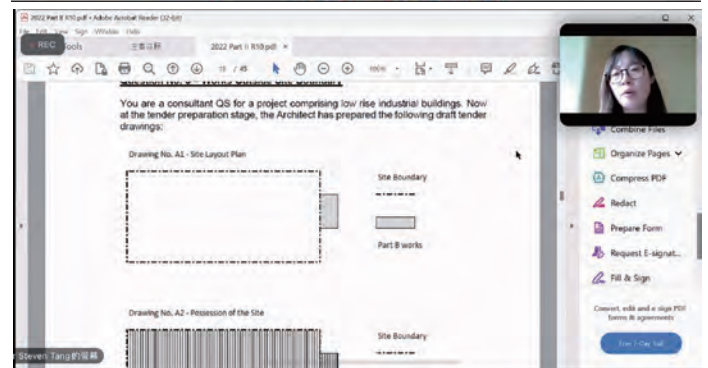
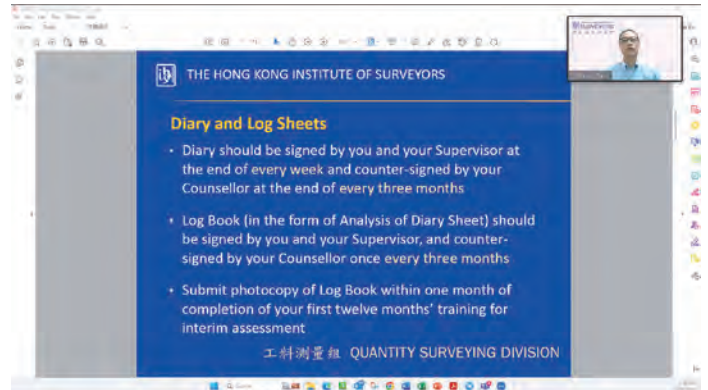
The talk also featured the latest NEC developments in Hong Kong including the launch of a new Hong Kong version of the NEC ECC in mid-2023.



Sr Paul Wong and Sr Sunny Choi presented certificates of appreciation to Francis and Joyce at the conclusion of the CPD.



A successful candidate, Sr Gordon Leung, was invited to share his experience preparing for and tackling the APC before and on the examination date.



Adoption of NEC in Public Works Projects in Hong Kong



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QSD PQSL: QSD APC Part II Workshop (22 April 2023)

This was the year's first QSD-organised APC Part II Workshop. QSD Divisional Education Committee Chairman Sr Steven Tang introduced the APC training requirements and different routes of admission into the QSD. Then, five experienced assessors – Sr Steven Tang, Sr Mandy Ng, Sr Tiffany Chan, Sr Eric Ting, and Sr Betty Lo – shared the skills needed to answer the APC questions with extracted examples from past papers.

CPD Event: Management of Contract and Payment Disputes under SOP (26 April 2023)

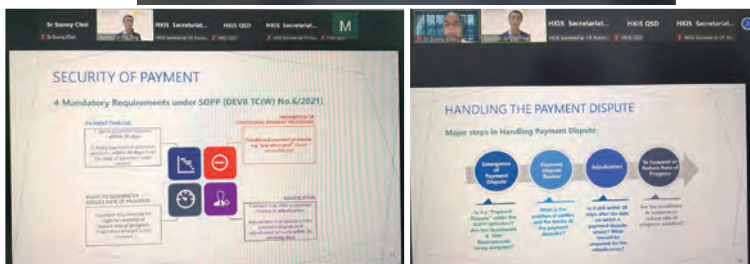
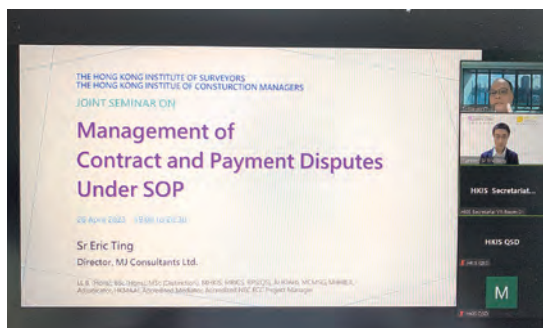
This was a joint CPD by the QSD and Hong Kong Institute of Construction Managers.

The Development Bureau promulgated Technical Circular (Works) No.6/2021 on 5 October 2021 regarding the implementation of Security of Payment Provisions (SOP Provisions) in public works contracts. The legislation of SOP is also in progress. It aims to facilitate the timely processing of payments and enable a speedier resolution of payment-related disputes

in construction projects.

SOP calls for a change in construction contract management and will likely affect most practitioners in Hong Kong's construction industry. During this CPD, Sr Eric Ting shared the key differences between SOP Provisions and SOP Legislations and advised how to strengthen construction contract management and handle payment disputes under the SOP Provisions.

Over 430 participants joined this event and they raised many questions during the subsequent Q&A session, which extended until around 9:00 pm.



Progress of the SOP Legislation

Sr Paul Wong (President of the HKIS) and Sr Raymond Kam (Honorary Secretary of the HKIS) met Mr Wong Yan Lok, Roger, JP and his team members on 18 April 2023 to express views on various provisions in the proposed SOP legislation. The latest development of the SOP legislation had been highlighted by Sr Raymond Kam to QSD Council members and members' opinions and concerns were collected for further review.

Notice for Application for QSD APC Part I and Part II Assessments 2023

The schedule of QSD APC Part I & Part II Written Assessments 2023 is as follows:

Type of Assessment	Part I Written Assessment	Part II Written Assessment
Exam Date	15 August 2023 (Tue)	19 & 20 September 2023 (Tue-Wed)
Application deadline	6:00 pm, 30 June 2023 (Friday)	
Venue	Kowloon Bay International Trade & Exhibition Centre (KITEC)	

Application form for the APC Assessment (**APC6/QS**) could be downloaded from our website (HKIS main page → Professional Development → APC → QSD) (https://hkis.org.hk/en/professional_apc.html?division=QSD&S=5). Candidates who wish to sit for the APC Written Assessment(s) 2023 should submit the completed application form together with **a CD-ROM containing the scanned copy** of the period of experience recorded in Diary and Log Book (comprising Analysis of Diary Sheets and Additional Analysis of Diary Sheets) to HKIS Secretariat by **no later than 6:00 pm, Friday, 30 June 2023**. Late submission will not be accepted.

A label shall be affixed to the CD-ROM and shall include the candidate's full name, HKIS membership number and the type of assessment. The name of the electronic files should include HKIS membership number and the candidate's full name in capital letter. The Institute may request the candidates to submit the original (hard copy) of the Diary and Log Book (comprising Analysis of Diary Sheets and Additional Analysis of Diary Sheets) if considers necessary.