



Young Surveyors Group
Sr Lizzy To YSG Committee Chairman

Congratulations!

Congratulations to the new cabinet 'Arcadia' of the HKU Surveying Society, which successfully started up on 24 March 2016. We wish Arcadia great success in the coming academic year after the good job of 'Zephyr' and want it to keep close connections with YSG.



One-Day Seminar on Contract Management

The One-Day Seminar on Contract Management 2016 held on 23 April was a big success. Co-organised by the CIArb, CIBSE, HKIE, HKIS, and ICE, over 60 HKIS members out of 300 in total attended this comprehensive, informative, and updated seminar covering the latest hot topics such as NEC contracts, security of payment, BIM, the railway project, and effective communication. All were delivered by experienced speakers from different professions. We especially want to thank Sr Joe Wu for providing a detailed review of the current situation of BIM implementation in Hong Kong. Sr Wu figured out the three main challenges encountered by BIM professionals in the city: 1) current contract terms, 2) the willingness of professionals to rely on IT, and 3) their familiarity with BIM. After comparing the contract terms from different countries and examining the attitudes of professionals in countries where BIM had already been widely implemented, Sr Wu was able to share

his valuable views on how BIM could be further promoted and implemented in Hong Kong.

Mr Harrison Cheung introduced the key changes in construction contracts that arisen from security of payment. Previously, a contractor could be unfairly treated for contractual terms drafted by the employer, especially when there is a dispute over the variation of works, for which payment would be withheld until arbitration after the contract's completion. This further burdened subcontractors, who are only 'paid when paid'. The contractor was given no chance to bargain on price, but had to proceed with the works upon instruction. A lawsuit highlighted the risks of this arrangement. During the negotiation over price, the contractor suspended work for payment that was disputed and not yet settled, although it was later paid. However, the employer sued it for suspending work. Under the new legislation on security of payment, the contractor will not be placed in a dilemma when it is not paid. Mr Cheung promoted such legislation to foster a better understanding amongst stakeholders and prepare as many of them as possible for its enactment.



Upcoming CPD:

Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) Initiatives for the Real Estate Sector and Reporting Greenhouse Gas Emissions on 25 May 2016

Following the introduction of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange's (HKEx) Environmental, Social, and Governance Reporting Guide listed in Appendix 27 of the Main Board Listing Rules and Appendix 20 of the GEM Listing Rules, the HKEx plans to raise the level of obligation of the ESG report from "voluntary" to "comply or explain" from 2015 onwards. The responsibilities of ESG include corporate reporting, supply chain management, business operations, and corporate sustainability. It is our great honour to invite Sr Alex Leung and Ms Stella Law to introduce to you ESG reporting; the stakeholder engagement process; and the reporting framework with four subject areas and their aspects, especially the land, real estate, and construction sectors. Furthermore, Sr Alex and Ms Stella will provide you with general pictures of the carbon footprint calculation by greenhouse gases (GHG) measurement and discuss carbon strategies development, environmental costs and effects. They will also discuss the weighting and effectiveness of resource allocation in order to set up KPIs, plan for short and long-term improvements, and inform you on how such regulatory compliance would impact the real estate sector.

QSD APC this year are encouraged to attend. Experienced assessors and newly-qualified members will share the way to identify the key issues behind the questions, assessment criteria, reviews of questions, and expected answers, as well as show how to prepare for the upcoming APC examination.

Duty of Care of the Occupational Safety & Health of Employees in Hong Kong & the Sharing of Judgements from the Court of Final Appeal Cases on Fatal Accidents at Construction Sites on 1 June 2016

Most accidents are caused by the lack of safety measures or procedures. Employers and occupants who are responsible for these provisions may face the risk of prosecution due to a failure to exercise a duty of care for their employees or other persons, along with possible hefty civil claims. These duties are clearly stipulated in Hong Kong's laws.

REPORTING GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION & ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE (ESG)

Initiatives for Real Estate Sector

Date: 25/05/2016 Time: 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm
 Speaker: Sr Alex Leung & Ms. Stella Law
 Venue: Surveyors Learning Centre
 Fee: HK\$120 for members; HK\$150 for non-members

HKIS YSG CPD



Duty of care of OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH
 of employees in Hong Kong and sharing of judgements from the Court of Final Appeal cases on fatal accidents in construction sites

Speaker: Dr. Wong Yum Yin
 Date: 01/06/2016 Time: 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm
 Venue: Surveyors Learning Centre
 Fee: HK\$120 for members; HK\$150 for non-members



QSD-YSG APC Workshops

QSD APC Workshops will be held on 7 and 28 May 2016. Probationers who wish to attempt the

For this CPD, YSG has invited Dr Y Y Wong to share with you the duty of care of occupational safety & health for employers and occupiers of

industry. Two Court of Final Appeal cases on fatal accidents at construction sites will be used to illustrate Dr Wong's points.

The prior identification of hazards can also reduce the chances and consequences of accidents. This seminar will also help you identify the hazards and conduct risk assessments to develop controls to mitigate the risk of accidents.

HKIS Dragon Boat Team: Call for Paddlers

Throughout the years, the Dragon Boat Championship has been one of the biggest annual events for the HKIS. We are very proud to announce that Dragon Boat season has come once again!

Last year was a very exciting one with dramatic improvements for the HKIS team in terms of the race results and cohesion within team members. We appreciate the great efforts made by Mr Paul Sze and Ms Sana Shek, who will be the team captains this year.

In 2016, our target is to not only achieve at least the same results as last year, but, more importantly, to expand the team to give it more depth. The team welcomes all HKIS members, whether a rookie or veteran. For \$350, you can take part in our routine training sessions and join every battle on the water with us.



HKIS DRAGON BOAT TEAM
CALL OF PADDLE
 TRAINING
EVERY SUNDAY 9:30AM-12:00NN
 VENUE:
STANLEY MAIN BEACH
 RECRUITING:
MALE & FEMALE PADDLERS
 JOIN/DETAILS:
KENNETHWCH@HKIS.ORG.HK

The legendary HKIS Dragon Boat Team is now calling for paddlers! It has conducted a series of practices to prepare for this year's dragon boat races. If you want to try out for the positions of paddler, drummer, steersman, or cheerleader, please contact us at kennethwch@hkis.org.hk. The weekly trainings start at 9:30 AM every Sunday at Stanley Main Beach.

Bowling Tuesday

The HKIS Bowling Team regularly practices every Tuesday. It is a good opportunity for members to collectively improve their bowling skills. Therefore, if you love bowling, please do not hesitate to contact your fellow YSG members (Alfred or Kendy) for more details of the following event:

Date: 10 May 2016 and 17 May 2016
 Venue: South China Athletic Association Bowling Centre, Causeway Bay
 Time: 8:00pm - 10:00pm
 Fee: \$32 per game plus \$10 for shoe rental per person

YSG Bowling Tuesday



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Welcome

If you are interested in joining us or have any enquiry, kindly e-mail us at ysg@hkis.org.hk. You are also welcome to attend our monthly regular meetings. The next YSG meeting is scheduled for 11 May 2016 (the second Wednesday of May).

