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I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to outgoing President Sr C K Lau for his significant contribution and efforts over the past 12 months. He involved the Institute in a wide range of initiatives, in particular the building of closer communications and links with government and the business sector, the establishment of a HKIS archive and also the introduction of some informative articles in the press. This year we will base our progress on further harvesting the fruits of these results as we continue to pursue the right direction and development mode for the Institute.

Branding HKIS in the long term

A Work Group is being formed to prepare a long-term branding project for the HKIS aimed at enhancing the Institute's image by increasing public awareness of the profession's contribution to our city's progress. The Group will brainstorm the logistics and other relevant details to present a comprehensive picture of our involvement in planning and development spanning all 18 districts. We also aim to involve secondary schools by encouraging them to join the surveying competition. The overall goal is to stimulate public engagement by giving people a greater understanding of the surveying profession. We will continue to publish articles in the press to enhance public awareness of the six disciplines of the surveying profession.

Membership eligibility to be expanded

We will continue to nurture close communications with

government departments and the business sector to enhance both job opportunities and the environment for business. It is also vital to continue expanding our work in mainland China and other countries. In this respect, in addition to the reciprocal agreements already in place with surveying bodies on the mainland under the Mainland and Hong Kong Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement (CEPA), we will confirm an unprecedented move to begin accepting membership from China. Meanwhile, the HKIS is also exploring and generating reciprocal agreements with surveying and professional organisations in other countries. We hope this two-pronged approach will further benefit our members when their professional duties take them overseas.

Nurturing support of younger members

Members are an invaluable asset to us, and we always welcome young new faces, knowing they represent the new blood that will fuel our future growth. Over the next 12 months, we will continue to intensify communication among members, in particular between the Institute and younger members, by arranging forums and other gatherings. To keep members in the loop we will update them on our developments via electronic platforms such as Facebook and Wechat as well as our website and *Surveyors Times*. It is hoped that these outreach efforts to the young will encourage more young members to participate in the Institute's affairs.

Harmonious efforts and support from divisions

Thanks to our collective efforts last year the six disciplines of surveying successfully introduced our professional knowledge to the public and government bodies through extensive media coverage. We will once again need your efficient and effective communications and hard work, with everyone playing their part, for our continuing drive in the coming year so I hope such cohesive cooperation will continue. Just like last year, each division will pitch a theme to focus on and promote. Again we will rely on media channels like newspaper columns to promote our themed ideas to the public and government departments.

Case for HKIS to get a permanent office

Rather than continuing to rent office premises we

have been discussing the purchase of a permanent space for the HKIS. To achieve this in future, we will increase our revenue sources and check various expenditures. There is a need to set up a fund for such purpose and we will appoint a task group to explore this matter.

More research and reports

We will also carry out more research on professional matters, as well as social and public issues related to our profession, to allow the public to better understand our profession and to appraise our professional standards. We will share this research and statistical data with the government, other organisations and the public for their reference and information.

Global opportunities on the horizon

Our surveying profession must reach out to new horizons and utilise the platforms of China's free trade zones (FTZ), the Guangdong pilot measures 先行先試, and the groundbreaking One Belt One Road (OBOR) project. In the past few years we have seen trial runs on new FTZ districts like Nansha, Hengqin and Qianhai which opened up new opportunities for Hong Kong's business communities. We hope these exciting initiatives will take our profession to the next level, spreading HKIS's footprint in developing countries along OBOR's way.

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President

我在此衷心感謝剛卸任的前會長劉振江測量師，在過去 12 個月所作的貢獻及所付出的努力。他帶領學會參與各項事務，與政府及商界加強溝通與聯繫，建立學會資料庫，以及於報章發表文章。在取得這些豐碩成果後，我們今年將繼續向前邁進，追尋適合學會發展的方向和模式。

長遠推廣學會的形象

我們正著手成立工作小組，為學會訂制長遠形象推廣計劃，讓公眾更了解學會的專業所在及對香港發展所作出的貢獻，從而提升學會的形象。工作小組將集思廣益，做好統籌及其他相關細節工作，以全港十八區的規劃及發展，展示測量師的參與及貢獻。我們將會舉辦測量及規劃比賽並鼓勵各中學參加，目標是透過公眾的參與以提升公眾對測量專業的認識。我們將繼續在報章上發表文章，讓公眾更了解測量專業的六大組別。

擴展會員資格認可

我們將繼續與政府部門及商界保持密切溝通，致力增加就業機會及改善營商環境。另外，繼續於中國內地及其他國家拓展業務同樣重要。因此，我們在《內地與香港關於建立更緊密經貿關係的安排》(CEPA) 下與內地測量機構達成互認協議之外，亦將會落實首次接納來自內地的會員申請。與此同時，學會正研究並落實與其他國家的測量及專業組織達成更多互認協議。雙管齊下，協助會員前往海外開展專業服務。

培育年輕會員

會員是我們的寶貴資產。我們一直歡迎年輕會員加入參與會務，為學會注入新血，推動未來發展。我們在未來 12 個月將舉辦論壇和不同活動，加強會員之間的溝通，特別是擴闊及加強學會與年輕會員的交流。我們將透過 Facebook、微信，以及學會網站及《測量師時代》等平台，向會員報導學會的最新動態。我們希望透過這些交流及接觸，鼓勵更多年輕會員積極參與學會事務。

各個組別齊心協力

有賴多方共同努力，六個測量專業組別去年透過傳媒的廣泛報導，成功向公眾及政府機構推廣學會的專業知識。我們期望各組別保持密切溝通和繼續努力，各施其職，推動本會來年的持續發展。本人由衷希望能夠延續這種合作無間的關係。承接去年的做法，各組別將分別就關注及推動的事項訂立一個主題。我們將繼續透過報刊專欄等傳播媒介，積極向公眾及政府部門推廣。

研究購置永久學會辦事處

我們多年來討論購置永久學會辦事處，用來取代現時租用的辦事處。為了實現這個長遠目標，我們有必要開源節流，成立基金，並將委任工作小組研究此項事宜。

發表更多研究及報告

我們將圍繞測量事務以及與測量有關的社會及公眾議題，展開更多研究，加深公眾對測量業及其專業標準的認識。我們將與政府、其他相關團體及公眾分享研究結果及統計數據，以供參考。

放眼全球 掌握機遇

測量業界需要擴闊視野，善用內地各個平台，包括自由貿易區、廣東「先行先試」政策，以及「一帶一路」項目。南沙、橫琴及前海等自由貿易區在過去幾年已先後開始試行，為香港工商業界帶來新機遇。我們期望這些措施有助把測量專業發展推向新水平，讓香港測量師學會的影響力伸延到「一帶一路」的沿線發展中國家。

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