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The year 2016 proved to be an eventful and productive one for the HKIS. We made considerable progress towards our divisional goals. Quantity Surveying Division (QSD) advocated the use of an Independent Cost Consultant to improve cost control of infrastructure projects for the last decade, and, while the Government has still yet to adopt our suggestions in infrastructure projects, I am glad to see that it has made some moves towards better cost control in setting up a Project Cost Management Office.

Despite the Building Surveying Division (BSD) pushing the Government to establish the Building Repair and Maintenance Authority, the proposal is still up in the air, while bid-rigging remains a major problem. The Government instead requested the Urban Renewal Authority to tackle the problem. The HKIS will keep monitoring the progress of this.

General Practice Division (GPD) continues its dialogue with the Government regarding the re-establishment of the Lease Modification Section. The purpose of this is to process applications and liaise with various Government departments and stakeholders to improve operational efficiency and address the concerns of applicants.

Finally, Land Surveying Division (LSD) called for more spatial data infrastructure to create a smart city in Hong Kong. Following this, the Government, in its latest Policy Address, outlined its plan to set up a common spatial data infrastructure.

Studies of Government Policies

Following widespread consultations on land and housing issues, a number of related Government policies will be implemented in the years to come, including 2030+, Underground Space Development initiatives and several other schemes mentioned in the recent Policy Address. The HKIS will strive to involve our three policy panels

and six divisions in carrying out more respective studies in future. This not only strengthens our contribution to Hong Kong society but also our consultative role in Government policy, particularly on issues affecting land, property and construction.

HKIS Media Luncheon 2017

The HKIS kicked off the Year of the Rooster by hosting its annual media luncheon on February 8 at the World Trade Centre Club in Causeway Bay. A total of 35 media friends attended and met the Institute's 2016-17 representatives. During this luncheon, I shared the Institute's intended direction for 2017 and spoke about the unavailability of funding for government construction and related projects, highlighting that this is one of our key concerns. The divisional spokespeople then briefly outlined their divisions' themes for the coming year, including the main issues that they intend to focus on and the scope through which they might offer their expertise. Each spokesperson shared their professional points of view on topical public and social issues and answered enquiries from the editors and reporters. The event was well covered by the media.

New divisional themes

Our six professional divisions and Young Surveyors Group (YSG) have announced their new themes for 2017. BSD has proposed "Revitalisation: Conferring New Life upon Older Buildings", aimed at exploring alternatives to demolition for older and obsolete buildings, such as transformation or revitalisation. GPD chose "Exploring Ways to Increase Land and Housing Supply" and will also study ways to promote and fund building maintenance, rehabilitation and retrofitting. LSD will focus on a "Study on Common Spatial Data Infrastructure Development to Support General Plan Submission", following the Government's plans to commission a strategic study on the development of common spatial data infrastructure during the year. There will also be an emphasis on matters of land boundary determination.

Planning & Development Division (PDD) envisages "Recognition of Planning & Development Surveyors by the Government", which will implement more activities and enhance communications with the Government, as well as stepping up recruitment efforts for PDD surveyors. Property & Facility Management Division (PFMD) will start working within a new legal framework following the debut of the Government's Property Management Services Authority (PMSA). PFMD will work closely with the Authority and give its professional viewpoints.

QSD aims at "Promoting Services of Quantity Surveyors and Increasing Public Awareness of Construction

Cost Control”。It will also concentrate on raising its professional image and public awareness by actively promoting its wide spectrum of services, ranging from cost control and monitoring to tendering and contractual arrangements.

YSG, which is dedicated to providing opportunities for young surveyors to develop their careers, will adopt the theme of “Y-S-G, Youth innovations – Search for interesting topics – Gather up dreams” to introduce and promote services provided by YSG.

Call for new ideas at annual retreat

A fresh initiative that enriched this year's half-day retreat was the addition of a team-building element. It is hoped that this will further enhance the spirit of cooperation and cohesiveness among divisions. During brainstorming sessions, we tried to think outside the box and identify things about the Institute that can be improved. The suggestions included boosting HKIS's status and image; exploring ways such as direct membership to increase our membership numbers; the possibility of relaxing the threshold of APC and expanding the involvement of young members in HKIS's affairs. We welcome members' perspectives on all these ideas and invite them to share them with us.

Building brand image at the Careers Expo

From February 23 to 26, the HKIS again made use of the Education and Careers Expo 2017 to promote public awareness of the surveying profession and build the Institute's brand. This year, the HKIS booth drew more than 800 visitors. Under the joint leadership of YSG and other divisions, we found 20 student helpers and 20 members to man the booth and answer queries from Expo visitors. As well as distributing leaflets, YSG gave our image a big boost by handing out to interested students pens bearing the HKIS logo and the names of its six divisions.

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President

本會在 2016 年渡過了充實、豐碩的一年，各組別朝著目標邁步前進。工料測量組在過去十年建議政府委任獨立成本顧問，控制基建工程的建造成本。雖然政府尚未在基建工程方面採納有關建議，本人樂見當局已設立項目成本管理辦事處，逐步改善成本控制。

建築測量組提倡設立樓宇維修工程監管局，但政府至今尚未落實有關建議。另外，圍標問題仍有待解決，政府現要求市區重建局跟進，本會將繼續監察事態發展。

產業測量組繼續與政府磋商重新設立土地契約修訂組，以便處理有關申請及與各個政府部門和持份者聯繫，從而提高運作效率，回應申請人所關注的各項問題。

最後，土地測量組呼籲增建空間數據基礎設施，推動香港邁向智能城市。政府在最近發表的施政報告中，提到建設空間數據共享平台的計劃。

政府政策研究

政府就土地和房屋議題進行廣泛諮詢後，未來將推行多項相關政策，包括施政報告中提及的 2030+、地下空間發展計劃等。本會三個政策小組和六個專業組別將致力進行更多相關研究，我們期望藉此貢獻香港社會，同時加強我們在政府政策，尤其涉及土地、物業及建築的議題，所扮演的諮詢角色。

香港測量師學會傳媒午餐會 2017

踏入雞年，本會於 2 月 8 日假銅鑼灣香港世界貿易中心會舉行年度傳媒午餐會，35 位傳媒朋友獲邀出席，與本會 2016-17 年度的發言人共聚一堂。席間，我分享了本會的來年計劃，亦提及我們最關注的其中一項議題：政府工程撥款嚴重拖延。各組發言人隨後簡介今年的組別議題，包括每組重點關注的項目和他們可提供專業意見的範疇。每位發言人以專業角度評論市民關注的公共及社會議題，並回答編輯和記者的查詢。傳媒及後亦有廣泛報導當日的活動。

新組別主題

本會六個專業組別及青年組已宣布各自在 2017 年的新主題。建築測量組提出「活化建築：重建以外的選擇」，探討拆除較舊和老化的建築物的替代方案，當中包括改建或活化建築物。產業測量組的主題是「研不同方案 增加土地和房屋供應」，並探討如何鼓勵樓宇保養、復修、維修，及研究籌集維修費用的方法。政府計劃於本年度就空間數據共享平台展開策略研究，土地測量組以「研討『空間數據共享平台』助業界入則」為主題，跟進有關發展，同時關注釐定土地界線事宜。

規劃及發展組期望「提升政府對規劃及發展測量師的認可」，將會舉辦更多活動，加強與政府溝通，致力增加規劃及發展測量師的就業機會。物業設施管理組將在全新的法律框架下，與新成立的物業管理業監管局緊密合作，提供專業意見。

工料測量組以「推廣工料測量師專業 提升公眾對工程造价之知識」為目標，將積極推廣多項專業服務以提升專業形象，包括工程的造價評估及監控、招投標、合同制定事宜，期望能提升公眾對有關事宜的認識。

青年組致力為青年測量師提供事業發展機會，今年將以「Y」（Youth innovations 青年創意）、「S」（Search for interesting topics 尋找有趣議題）、「G」（Gather up dreams 凝聚夢想）為主題，介紹及推廣青年組提供的服務。

年度退修會 集思廣益

建立團隊精神是今年半日退修會新增的元素，我們期望藉此提升各組別間的合作精神及凝聚力。在集思會上，我們嘗試跳出既有思考框架，找出本會有待改善之處，收集到的建議包括提高本會的地位及形象、探討增加會員人數的方法（例如設直接會員制）、放寬專業評核試門檻及增加青年會員參與學會事務。我們歡迎並誠邀各會員就上述建議提出意見。

職業博覽會 建立學會形象

本會在 2 月 23 日至 26 日參與 2017 年教育及職業博覽，提升公眾對測量專業的認識，建立本會形象。本會攤位今年錄得超過 800 參觀人次。在青年組及其他組別的帶領下，我們招募了 20 位學生及 20 位會員駐守攤位，並回應參觀人士的查詢。本會除了派發宣傳單張，青年組還向學生派發印有本會標誌及六個專業組別名稱的盒裝筆，大大提升本會的形象。

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