



Land Surveying Division  
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## Memorandum of Mutual Recognition of Membership (MMRM) with ICES (Geospatial Engineering)

Many members have inquired about the LSD's resumption of the MMRM with ICES (Geospatial Engineering), so as to be in line with the QSD. Please understand that the LSD Council has to maintain its standards and qualifications. It is happy to announce that it has ascertained members' concerns in recent years and the LSD Council confirmed the signing of the MMRM with ICES. Only those who opt for the Graduate Route (with the academic qualifications the HKIS requires) are eligible to apply for a mutual recognition via a professional interview. An official signing will occur on 24 April 2019, when ICES President Chris Preston will come visit the Institute. The LSD Council will continue to strive for excellence in maintaining its standards and international status.

## Advancement Support Scheme (PASS): Promoting Surveying & Mapping Professional Services in Belt-and-Road Countries

In March, a team of LSD delegates represented the HKIS in Pakistan to conduct workshops for its counterparts there. It was the first stop of its One Belt, On Road (OBOR) promotional activities. The team leader, Sr Thomas Lee, had a fruitful discussion with the hosts on a variety of issues. The team also met the first secretary of the Chinese Embassy in Pakistan.



## Memorandum of Cooperation Agreement with Smart City Consortium

As reported in the last issue of *Surveyors Times*, the LSD was investigating the collaborative opportunities between it and the Smart City Consortium. The General Council approved this in principle and advised that the signing of the Memorandum of Cooperation Agreement could be within the capacity of the HKIS. The LSD and PDD would handle the main liaisons on SDI, open data, urban planning, transport, etc.

## 11th 京港澳測繪地理資訊技術交流會 22-24 May 2019

The HKIS, together with the Hong Kong Institution of Engineering Surveyors (HKIES), Hong Kong Polytechnic University's Department of Land Surveying and Geo-Informatics (LSGI), and Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education's Department of Construction (Morrison Hill) are co-organising the 11th 京港澳測繪地理資訊技術交流會 (Beijing-Hong Kong-Macau Surveying and

Mapping Conference). The event has been alternately held every two years since 1999 in Beijing, Hong Kong, and Macau. In recent years, delegates from the three cities exchanged information on their adoption of geomatics technologies through papers, presentations, technical tours, and social activities. The coming one will be held in Hong Kong from 22-24 May 2019 and its theme is:



The LSD Council would certainly be honoured to have your presence at this conference to share your vision and experiences with other participants. In recent years, it has focused on how Hong Kong's future smart city can be created.



## CPD: "Smart GIS for a Smart Airport?" by Ir Allan Wong, Deputy Chief Information Officer, Airport Authority Hong Kong

It was the Institute's honour to have Ir Allan Wong come to present a very informative CPD to members on 25 March. During the event, he discussed the information technology applications, infrastructure, and operations services of Hong Kong International Airport and the airport community. Most importantly, he shared his smart airport vision and innovative idea for bringing the business benefits of better passenger experiences and improved operational efficiencies to areas of advanced biometrics, mobile technology, robotics, digital twins/the internet of things, and big data intelligence.



## LSGI Career Talk 2019

On 18 January, the Honorary Secretary, Sr Winnie Wong, visited the LSGI and shared the latest career information on the job market with students. Given the giant infrastructure projects planned for Hong Kong and the Greater Bay Area, there should be quite a few opportunities for graduates.

