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Quantity Surveying Division Sr Raymond Kong QSD Council Chairman

Assessment of Professional Competence Parts I and II Written Assessments: Final Assessment 2020

The schedule of the APC Final Assessment 2020 is as follows:

Written Assessment	Part I	Part II
Date	12 August 2020	23-24 September 2020
Application Deadline	6:00 pm, 30 June 2020	
Venue	Kowloon Bay International Trade & Exhibition Centre (KITEC)	

Probationers who wish to sit for the APC Written Assessment 2020 must complete an application and return it to the HKIS Secretariat by no later than 6:00 pm, 30 June 2020. Late submissions will not be accepted. The application form could be downloaded from:

https://hkis.org.hk/en/professional_apc. html?division=QSD&S=5

The current QSD APC system has been followed since 2012. Candidates should refer to the Rules and Guide to the Assessment of Professional Competence Quantity Surveying Division, which could be downloaded from

https://www.hkis.org.hk/hkis/papers/qsd/APCQS-RuleNGuide.pdf, for more details.

Candidates should also note that since last year, the HKSMM4 Building Works (Fourth Edition) with the incorporation of Corrigenda 1 has superseded the previous versions of the HKSMM and is now admissible as a reference material in the QSD APC examinations. A copy of this work is available for sale at the HKIS Secretariat.

Suspension of Annual Dinner

There was an excellent response to the QSD Annual Dinner last year with a full house of 33 tables. As the Organising Committee prepares for this year's Annual Dinner, it is mindful of the precautionary measures for preventing the novel coronavirus. In view of the current pandemic and ensuing economic downturn, which have dampened Hong Kong's business environment for the foreseeable future, the QSD has made the difficult decision to suspend the Dinner until further notice. We deeply apologise for this decision, knowing that it is one of the events members look forward to every year.

Visit to Penny's Bay Temporary Quarantine Camps (29 April 2020)

On 29 April, Sr Amelia Fok, Sr Sunny Choi (QSD Vice-Chairmen), Sr Thomas Ho (HKIS Past President & QSD Past Chairman), Sr Raymond Kam (HKIS Honorary Secretary & QSD Past Chairman), Sr Dr Paul Ho (QSD Past Chairman), Sr KC Tang (QSD Co-opted Member), Sr Billy Wong (BSD Chairman), Sr Kenneth Yun (BSD Past-Chairman), and I visited Penny's Bay Temporary Quarantine Camps. We were received by Ir Aaron Bok, the Head of the CEDD's Civil Engineering Office, and his team.

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The site lies adjacent to a vacant plot reserved for the future expansion of Hong Kong Disneyland. This HK\$194 million contract was under the fast track procurement method with a contract awarded on 17 February for the site formation of seven hectares of land, a road network, utilities and sewerage connections, and 100 MiC guarantine units. The last will come with supporting facilities such as a medical post, command post, and police and services quarters.

Time is of the essence for this project. By adopting the MiC approach with 24/7, around-the-clock operations and collaborative efforts by the DevB. ArchSD, CEDD, and contractor, the construction team managed to complete the works in just 68 calendar days and handed the facility to the Food and Health Bureau on 29 April. An additional 700 MiC quarantine units will be provided at this site in the coming months under separate contracts.





Launch of the HKIS BIM **Contract Conditions** (17 April 2020)

On 17 April, the Conditions of Contract for building information modelling (BIM), which will be used by practitioners and stakeholders in Hong Kong's construction industry, was officially launched. While BIM is a growing worldwide trend, local developers, consultants, contractors, and subcontractors are concerned about their own risks and liabilities when using it. In response to this industrial need, the HKIS has prepared a set of standard BIM contract conditions for use with most local standard forms of consultant employment and contract.

The HKIS BIM Contract Conditions set out the obligations, responsibilities, and liabilities of all parties to a contract or agreement to which BIM is applied. It can be incorporated into existing professional services appointments and construction contracts either as special conditions of contract or a supplemental agreement and can be used by employers, lead design consultants and/or their sub-consultants, and main contractors and/or their sub-contractors.

The BIM Contract Conditions are drafted in simple, easily understood language and can apply to a wide range of construction projects. By adopting the BIM Contract Conditions, BIM users will have a clear contractual foundation for their construction projects. This will definitely further the development of BIM in Hong Kong. While the HKIS conceived and drafted its own BIM Contract Conditions, they were reviewed and refined by the BIM Contract Alliance that it convened and whose members also include:

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- Architectural Services Department
- Association of Architectural Practices
- Association of Consulting Engineers of Hong Kong
- bSHK
- Construction Industry Council
- Housing Department
- The Hong Kong Federation of Electrical and Mechanical Contractors Limited
- The Hong Kong Institute of Architects
- The Hong Kong Institute of Building Information Modelling
- The Hong Kong Institute of Construction Managers

I hereby express my sincere thanks for the time and effort and, more importantly, the significant contributions of the above organisations. I want to especially thank the BIM Contract Alliance Chairman, Sr Dr Paul Ho, and Alliance members, Sr Sunny Choi and Sr Lam Yen Ling, for their efforts in drafting this publication.

The publication of the HKIS BIM Contract Conditions is just a small milestone. With the growing use of BIM and digital and relevant technologies, the design and construction practices of Hong Kong's construction industry will encompass rapid and beneficial changes. Likewise, the BIM Contract Conditions should be constantly refined. Comments are most welcome to this publication for review and improvement. Please direct them to the HKIS Secretariat.

This publication can be downloaded free of charge at the HKIS website's Publications for Sale / Download Area. Members are most welcome and encouraged to use the BIM Contract Conditions with the amendments that they consider necessary for their projects. The HKIS will appreciate it if any member that uses its BIM Contract Conditions acknowledges that it and the BIM Contract Alliance prepared this document.



HKIS BIM Contract Conditions

"Sr" - The Abbreviation for Surveyor

"Sr" is adopted as the abbreviation for surveyor by The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors. The pronunciation for "Sr" is "surveyor".

In order to promote its use to the public, corporate members are encouraged to adopt the abbreviation "Sr" in front of their English names in their official communications. Likewise, corporate members are also invited to address themselves as "測量師" after their Chinese names.

"Sr" - 測量師的英文簡稱

香港 測 量 師 學 會 採 納「Sr」 作 為「Surveyor」 (**測量師**)的英文簡稱。其發音與 Surveyor 相同。

為向公眾宣傳「**Sr**」的用法,我們鼓勵正式會員在日常生活中,在英文名字之前加上「**Sr**」。至於中文方面,我們亦會邀請正式會員在其中文名字之後加上「**測量師**」。