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Inaugural Construction Workers Festival
  Ignite Professional Skills

Hong Kong - 9 August 2019 – The Construction Industry Council (CIC) organised the first-ever Construction Workers Festival to ignite professional skills of construction workers. “The Launching Ceremony of Construction Workers Festival and the Wealth Management Workshop” was held at Construction Innovation and Technology Application Centre in Kowloon Bay on 8 August 2019, to pave the way for culture change within the construction industry. Mr. CHAN Ka-kui, Chairman of the CIC, Ir Albert CHENG, Executive Director of the CIC, Ir Kenneth MO, Chairperson of the Construction Workers Registration Board (CWRB), and the members of CWRB officiated at the Launching Ceremony together with construction industry stakeholders and construction workers.

In delivering a welcome speech at the Launching Ceremony, Mr. CHAN Ka-kui said that the frontline construction practitioners play a very important role in the development of Hong Kong. The CIC endeavours to promote worker-friendly initiatives and the improvement of work conditions at construction site environment. This year, the CIC has tailor-made this Construction Workers Festival for tens of thousands of registered construction workers, to appreciate their efforts in constructing Hong Kong and recognise their professionalism. Through different activities, they will get to know the latest industry development and technological advancement which can further enhance their skills, and more young talents will be attracted to join the industry.

Ir Kenneth MO shared that the CWRB has been taking the lead to coordinate and bring forward programmes for the benefit of the registered construction workers. The Construction Workers Festival introduces diverse programmes consisting of seminars on wealth management, visits to the MiC Display Centre, the Construction Innovation and Technology Application Centre, the CIC - Zero Carbon Building and the Hong Kong Construction Industry Trade Testing Centre as well as Construction Appreciation Camp. All activities welcome construction workers and their families for free.

The Launching Ceremony marked the kick-off of the Festival which will run through till October. Details of the feature programmes and schedules are available on the Festival’s designated website: www.cwf.cic.hk.

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Officiating at the Launching Ceremony of Construction Workers Festival are (front row from left) Members of CWRB: Mr. CHAN Pat-kan, Ir Simon LIU; Ir Albert CHENG, Executive Director of the CIC; Ir Kenneth MO, Chairperson of CWRB; Mr. CHAN Ka-kui, Chairman of the CIC; Members of CWRB: Ir Alfred LEUNG, Sr DY Wai-fung, Mr. TSANG Ting-fat and Mr. Tandy LOK; (back row from left) Ms. CHENG Sau-kuen, Member of the Construction Industry Training Board; CIC Members: Ir PAN Shujie, Ir Rocky POON, Ir Alex KWAN, Ms. Amy LEE, Sr Eddie LAM and Mr. CHOW Luen-kiu

Mr. CHAN Ka-kui, Chairman of the CIC, speaks at the Launching Ceremony of Construction Workers Festival
Ir Kenneth MO, Chairperson of CWRB presents the souvenir to Miss Vicky LAU, the representative of Investor and Financial Education Council on the Wealth Management Workshop.

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About the Construction Industry Council
The Construction Industry Council (CIC) was formed in 2007 under the Construction Industry Council Ordinance (Cap. 587). The CIC consists of a chairman and 24 members representing various sectors of the industry including employers, professionals, academics, contractors, workers, independent persons and Government officials.

The main functions of the CIC are to forge consensus on long-term strategic issues, convey the industry's needs and aspirations to the Government, provide professional training and registration services, and serve as a communication channel between the Government and the construction industry.

Please visit www.cic.hk for further details.