

Construction Industry Council

Committee on Construction Business Development

Meeting No. 003/21 of the Committee on Construction Business Development (Com-CBD) was held on 2 September 2021 (Thursday) at 2:30pm at the Board Room, 29/F, Tower 2, Enterprise Square Five (MegaBox), 38 Wang Chiu Road, Kowloon Bay, Kowloon, Hong Kong

Summary Notes of the Com-CBD Meeting No. 003/21:

Agenda Item	Paper	Major Resolutions / Progress Highlights
3.1	CIC/CBD/M/002/21	Confirmation of the Minutes of Meeting No.002/21 Members took note of the Paper CIC/CBD/M/002/21 and confirmed the Minutes of Meeting No. 002/21 held on 10 June 2021 (Thursday).
3.2	CIC/CBD/M/002/21	Matters Arising from the Last Meeting (a) Item 2.3, a proposal on further study on Construction Time Performance (CTP) index was presented in item 3.5. (b) Item 2.4, Members in principle supported the reference material on Model Clauses for Building Project with Use of MiC. (c) Item 2.7, the construction expenditure forecast (2021/22 – 2030/31) was published on CIC website and through press release on 25 June 2021. (d) Item 2.13(a), the latest status of security of payment legislation (SOPL) was reported in item 3.13.
3.3	*CIC/CBD/P/009/21* (for information)	★ Update on CIESG (Environmental, Social and Governance) Reporting Service This starred discussion paper provided an update on the CIESG Reporting Service. The Secretariat would continue to promote the service to industry stakeholders together with Construction Industry Sports & Volunteering Programme (CISVP) team and other related department.

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3.4	CIC/CBD/P/010/21 (for approval)	<p>Publication of Standard Special Conditions of Contract for BIM and BIM Services Agreement Members approved the publication of the Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) for BIM and BIM Services Agreement (SA). Upon approval, the SCC for BIM and BIM SA would be published on CIC website and the relevant milestone payment would be released to the consultant, LESK Solutions Co. Ltd.</p>
3.5	CIC/CBD/P/011/21 (for information)	<p>Further Study on Construction Time Performance Index After deliberation, Members supported a further study on enhancing the current CTP index with a wider set of parameters and data. The Secretariat would set up a Task Force and prepare a proposal on it.</p>
3.6	*CIC/CBD/P/014/21* (for approval)	<p>★ CIC Research and Technology Development Fund (R&D Fund) Application – Collaborative Material Management Platform (a) Starred discussion paper entitled “Application for the CIC R&D Fund” was tabled. (b) Members approved the recommendation that no research proposal from this round of application under the purview of Com-CBD would be funded. (c) Members were also invited to advise the research agenda for the future application after the meeting.</p>
3.7	CIC/CBD/P/012/21 (for approval)	<p>Termination of Consultancy Study on MiC and DfMA Procurement (a) Members approved the termination of the Consultancy for the delay to the project. Upon termination, payment up to Payment Stage 4 would be released to the consultant, Meinhardt (Hong Kong) Limited. (b) In the meantime, a set of reference clauses for use in construction projects adopting MiC prepared by CIC Secretariat would be promulgated for adoption by the construction industry.</p>

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3.8	CIC/CBD/P/013/21 (for information)	Progress Update on CIC Outstanding Contractor Award 2021 (a) As of the application closed on 20 August 2021, applications for Major Contractor, Contractor and Specialist Contractor received were 22, 8 and 20 respectively. [Post-meeting note: After preliminary screening, the qualifying applications for Major Contractors, Contractors and Specialist Contractors were 18, 4 and 20 respectively.] (b) A series of 8 promotional videos were produced to promote the Outstanding Contractor Award (OCA) to the general public. A video would be posted every few weeks on CIC social media channels, leading up to the Award Presentation Ceremony in December 2021. (c) The tentative rundown and guest list of the Award Presentation Ceremony as well as the Award trophy were shown in the meeting. No comment was given on the trophy.
3.9	--	Progress Update on Task Force on Strategic Review for Uplifting Construction Capacity The consultancy for the study on Strategic Review for Uplifting Construction Capacity was awarded to the consultant, Arcadis Consultancy Hong Kong Limited. The consultancy would commence on 9 September 2021.
3.10	--	Progress Update on Task Force on Greater Bay Area (a) A webinar was held in collaboration with Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC) on 27 August 2021 to provide information for Hong Kong companies who wish to start their business in Greater Bay Area (GBA). (b) The CIC would participate jointly with Development Bureau (DEVB) in the SmartHK event organised by HKTDC. The event would be held in Guangzhou on 8 December 2021, where innovative technologies or products would be showcased. (c) The CIC online contact point in GBA had been set up. GBA counterparts may make their enquires to CIC through HKTDC Guangzhou and Shenzhen offices or using QR code for direct contact to CIC Secretariat.

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		<p>(d) GBA Construction Development Platform was completed and soft-launched in September 2021. The platform would provide GBA information and facilitate the business matching in GBA. Grand launch of it was expected in year end.</p> <p>(e) A GBA Summit would be included as part of Construction Innovation Expo 2022.</p> <p>(f) A preliminary design and cost estimation of the proposed construction of zero carbon park in Qianhai was conducted, the proposal would be presented to the relevant authority for consideration.</p>
3.11	--	<p>Progress Update on Task Force on Reasonable Consultancy Fee Evaluation System</p> <p>(a) Task Force members approved the Summary Report of Engagement Session submitted by Ove Arup & Partner Hong Kong Ltd. (Arup) on 16 August 2021.</p> <p>(b) Arup submitted the revised Review Report (with draft recommendations) on 23 July 2021. However, Task Force members felt that more justifications were required for the recommendations. Arup would further review and substantiate, and the reference material was expected to be ready in September 2021.</p> <p>(c) Members granted an extension of time for the consultancy considering extra time had been involved in ensuring views from industry stakeholders. The completion date of the consultancy was extended to end September 2021.</p>
3.12	--	<p>Brainstorming Session on Review and Enhancement of Procurement System in Tendering by Public Bodies</p> <p>(a) The brainstorming session was introduced to the Com-CBD meeting for the first time.</p> <p>(b) Members were invited to deliberate on whether a review or an enhancement on the procurement systems currently adopted by the public sectors and quasi-government would be required.</p> <p>(c) With respect to the procurement systems, Members identified that unreasonably low bid as one of the issues to be tackled. It was suggested that a survey on tender price issue to be conducted to collect views from industry stakeholders as the first step before any review or enhancement was proposed.</p>

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3.13	--	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>(a) Regarding the progress of Security of Payment Legislation (SOPL), the relevant Technical Circular and SOP Provisions were to be promulgated in September 2021 tentatively with a planned implementation date in all new works contracts tendered in or after December 2021.</p> <p>(b) Regarding the Integrity Charter launching ceremony, it would be jointly organised by the DEVB and CIC and held at CIC-Zero Carbon Park on 24 September 2021.</p> <p>(c) Regarding establishment of benchmark for better understanding of RMAA market, CIC Secretariat would prepare a proposal according to the 3-year strategic year plan for 2022 to 2025. The same would be presented to the Members in the next meeting.</p>

Remarks: The mentioned papers discussed at the Com-CBD and/or the full Minutes can be made available to Council Members from the CIC Secretariat upon request.