

Construction Industry Council

Committee on Registered Specialist Trade Contractors Scheme

Meeting No. 001/20 of the Committee on Registered Specialist Trade Contractors Scheme for 2020 was held on 11 March 2020 (Wednesday) at 2:30pm at Boardroom, 29/F, Tower 2, Enterprise Square Five, 38 Wang Chiu Road, Kowloon Bay.

Summary Notes of the Committee on Registered Specialist Trade Contractors Scheme (Com-RSC) Meeting No. 001/20.

Agenda Item	Paper	Major Resolutions/Progress Highlights
1.1	CIC/RSC/M/005/19 (for approval)	Confirmation of the Minutes of Last Meeting Members confirmed the minutes of the previous Meeting No. 005/19 held on 14 November 2019.
1.2	-	Matters Arising All matters arising were covered under the agenda items below.
1.3	CIC/RSC/P/003/19 (for approval)	Report on Applications for Registration as Specialist Trade Contractors Members discussed in details three applications for registration to Group 2 Registered Specialist Trade Contractors (RSTCs) and approved two of them with the establishment of the principle of contract value calculation for satisfactory project track records having considered the intent of registration requirement. The Secretariat would refer to the established principle for processing cases onwards.

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1.4	CIC/RSC/P/004/20 (for approval)	<p>Logo of Registered Specialist Trade Contractors</p> <p>Having considered the pros and cons of different options of proposed logos for Group 1 and Group 2 RSTCs and to balance between overall promotion effect and operational concerns, Members approved to use the same logo for both groupings of RSTCs under the current stage of implementation of the Scheme. The Secretariat would process respective applications based on the previously approved logo and guideline.</p>
1.5	CIC/RSC/P/005/20 (for information)	<p>Updates on Registered Specialist Trade Contractors Scheme Operations</p> <p>(a) As of the end of January 2020, there were 464 RSTCs, 1,106 RSTCs cum Registered Subcontractors (RSs) and 4,705 RSs;</p> <p>(b) Promotional activities scheduled in Q1 were postponed due to the novel coronavirus outbreak in accordance with the internal anti-epidemic guidelines of the Secretariat;</p> <p>(c) Completed the new Scheme website in the end of 2019 and disseminated timely the latest information about anti-epidemic measures, registration services and etc.;</p> <p>(d) In view of inadequate number of Group 2 RSTCs, Members representing related trade associations and the Secretariat would enhance promotions on the initiative of the imposition of tender limits on relevant subcontractors undertaken by Group 1 RSTCs for public works projects of the Development Bureau and Housing Department to be invited for tenders on or after 1 October 2020 (or any other date to be announced by the Development Bureau) and call on appropriate companies to submit application for registration to Group 2 RSTCs according to their business needs.</p>

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1.6	CIC/RSC/P/006/20 - CIC/RSC/P/014/19 (for information)	<p>Regulatory Hearing</p> <p>(a) In 2019, a total of 40 registered companies were sanctioned under the Scheme with an additional of 19 companies compared with the same figure of 2018;</p> <p>(b) The first regulatory hearing of 2020 was conducted. A total of nine registered companies were sanctioned with written warning or suspension of registration due to late payment of MPF contributions and wage.</p>