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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Hong Kong's First Safety Experience Training Centre for the  
Construction Industry is Officially Opened**

**Hong Kong • 18 February 2019** – The Construction Industry Council (CIC)'s Safety Experience Training Centre (SETC) was successfully launched at the Hong Kong Institute of Construction (HKIC) – Kwai Chung Campus today. Six officiating guests including Ir LIU Chun-san, Under Secretary for Development, Ir LAM Sai-hung, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works), Mr. CHAN Ka-kui, Chairman of the CIC, Ir Dr. Derrick PANG, Chairperson of Committee on Construction Safety (Com-CSY), Ir Allan CHAN, Chairperson of Construction Industry Training Board (CITB) and Ir Albert CHENG, Executive Director of the CIC officiated at the Opening Ceremony. The Ceremony was attended by construction practitioners, witnessing the opening of the first simulation-based training centre for construction safety in Hong Kong.

Mr. CHAN Ka-kui, Chairman of the CIC, said that the HKIC students and industry practitioners could experience the real accident scenarios in a safe environment in the SETC so as to enhance their safety awareness in construction sites. He called for the industry to encourage their colleagues and workers to attend the training courses in SETC.

Ir LIU Chun-san, Under Secretary for Development, recognised the CIC's efforts in providing various construction training for different sectors in Hong Kong over the years, resulting in a significant drop of accident rate. Through innovative safety training facilities provided by the SETC, workers will be more cautious of various site works and have a better understanding on the use of personal protective equipment.

The SETC is established to incorporate simulation-based training for real accident scenarios in order to make the construction related training more practical and efficient, as well as better enhance safety awareness of practitioners. With a space of approximately 3,000 square feet, the SETC features 8 different training zones which represent common sites or causes of accidents, including "Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)", "Working at Height", "Lifting & Rigging Plant", "Fire Safety", "Chemical & Electrical Safety", "Good Housekeeping", "Machinery & Trapping Hazard" and "Virtual Reality (VR)

Cave”, providing simulation-based training to model real accident scenarios for different sectors of the construction industry.



(From left) Ir Albert CHENG, Executive Director of the CIC, Ir Dr. Derrick PANG, Chairperson of Com-CSY, Ir LIU Chun-san, Under Secretary for Development, Mr CHAN Ka-kui, Chairman of the CIC, Ir LAM Sai Hung, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works) and Ir Allan CHAN, Chairperson of CITB officiate at the opening ceremony of SETC



Led by Mr. CHAN Ka-kui, Chairman of the CIC, the officiated guests visit the facilities and simulation-based training at SETC



Visitors can experience different construction work scenarios and accidents through Virtual Reality (VR) technology provided by the SETC

### **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](http://www.cic.hk) for further details.

### **About the Hong Kong Institute of Construction**

To tie in with the changes and progress of the construction industry in Hong Kong, the Hong Kong Institute of Construction (HKIC) was established in 2018 and the opening ceremony is held on 3 October 2018. HKIC is an organisation member of the Construction Industry Council and provides a series of construction training courses (including full-time and part-time) to the young people intending to work in the construction industry, people looking for a new job in another industry and experienced construction practitioners, with an intention to nurture “knowledgeable” practitioners.

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