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Hong Kong Institute of Construction Launches its first-ever "Certificate in Modular Integrated Construction Unit Installation" Full-time Short Course

HONG KONG • **27 April 2020** – Hong Kong Institute of Construction (HKIC) launched a full-time short course on "Certificate in Modular Integrated Construction Unit Installation" for the first time. This 15-day course aims to equip construction workers with professional knowledge and skills in Modular Integrated Construction (MiC). To meet the theoretical and practical training needs, HKIC has installed new teaching facilities at Tai Po Training Ground.

Course content includes fundamental knowledge on MiC with case studies, transportation and application methods (requirement on shipment, land transport and tunnels), installation equipment, operation and method statement, risk assessment and hazards identification, Building Information Modelling (BIM), installation method, safety operation and assembling training, and professional ethics, basic knowledge on safety and environmental protection, etc. Most training will be conducted at HKIC Tai Po Training Ground.

Ir Dr. Francis WONG, Director of HKIC, said: "In recent years, the Government actively adopts Modular Integrated Construction (MiC) in public works projects such as "InnoCell" built by Hong Kong Science Park and "Disciplined Services Quarters" by the Fire Services Department at Pak Shing Kok, Tseung Kwan O, etc. The Development Bureau also launched a HK\$1 billion Construction Innovation and Technology Fund (CITF) in 2018 with MiC as one of the key funding items. The aim of the CITF is to promote the adoption of MiC in the industry to enhance standardisation of works procedures, improve site safety, shorten the construction duration and relieve labour shortage, etc. In response to the increasing demand for construction talents in MiC, HKIC is now launching the full-time short course "Certificate in Modular Integrated Construction Unit Installation" to nurture more professionals."

Under the Enhanced Construction Manpower Training Scheme, this course is tuition free with training allowance provided according to the training days and attendance. Applicants should be Hong Kong legal residents aged 18 or above and holders of intermediate trade test certificate (Intermediate Tradesman) or trade test certificate (Senior Tradesman) in Rigger / Metal Formwork Erector. Upon completing the course and passing the practical and written test, students will be awarded with the "Certificate in Modular Integrated Construction Unit Installation". HKIC will also provide a





comprehensive career support service to the graduates.

In addition to the above full-time course, School of Professional Development in Construction (SPDC) established by HKIC will also offer professional and continuing education in MiC for construction practitioners. This includes the part-time "Certificate in Modular Integrated Construction (MiC) for Foreman", and the "Certificate in Modular Integrated Construction (MiC) for Project Manager and Clerk of Works" which will be launched soon.

Interested parties can apply online via HKIC website at <u>www.hkic.edu.hk</u> or return the completed application form to HKIC campuses. For enquiries, please call 2100 9000.

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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.

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. HKIC is an organisation member of the Construction Industry Council and provides a wide range of construction trainings (including full-time and part-time courses) for the young people and working adults who intend to develop their career in the construction industry, and the experienced construction practitioners, who pursue to enhance their skills and knowledge.

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