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**CIC congratulates Mr. John LEE on his election as
the sixth-term Chief Executive of HKSAR**

Hong Kong • 8 May 2022 - The Construction Industry Council (CIC) congratulates Mr. John LEE on his successful election as the sixth-term Chief Executive of Hong Kong with 1,416 votes.

During his election campaign, Mr. LEE proposed that one of his goals was to improve efficiency and increase quantity of housing and land supply. CIC believes that adopting innovative construction technologies is the most effective way to speed up construction works. Mr. LEE's election manifesto put forward a broader adoption of Modular Integrated Construction (MiC) and Building Information Modeling (BIM) in public housing projects. Such beliefs coincide with CIC's proactive efforts in advocating the adoption of innovative construction technologies in the industry. Ir Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC said, "At present, there is a growing number of construction projects in Hong Kong adopting MiC, BIM and other technologies. Among all, MiC is particularly suitable for public housing projects with buildings that are 40 storeys or above. With the generalisation of MiC, construction time can be reduced by at least one year". Improving efficiency can be readily achieved by a three-step reform, including Off-site Manufacturing, Multi-trade Integration, and Plug and Play. These approaches not only help build a smart city but also boost construction productivity, enhance sustainability and improve safety, and additionally cope with the forecasted \$300 billion annual construction output of Hong Kong.

To boost quantity, the CIC agrees that the Northern Metropolis Development Strategy, Lantau Tomorrow Vision and by means of Land Resumption Ordinance where appropriate can open up more living spaces and offer hope to tackle the housing and land issues that have been plaguing Hong Kong. CIC believes that discovering new land allows Hong Kong to overcome current constraints while accelerating infrastructure construction can create more opportunities for the industry and revitalise Hong Kong's economy. In addition, Mr. LEE has proposed the study of enhancing railway and highway networks to improve connectivity with Shenzhen. CIC will continue to take the Greater Bay Area development as an entry point to facilitate the industry to integrate into the overall development of the



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country, which will bring continuous impetus to Hong Kong's construction industry, and to grasp opportunities to expand the business.

The CIC is confident that Mr. LEE, after taking office, will implement the core directions of “streamlining procedures”, “strengthening coordination”, “pursuing diversified developments”, and “bringing forward infrastructure construction” in his election manifesto. CIC and the industry will collaborate to provide quality homes to the citizens and facilitate the economy to thrive and build a better Hong Kong.

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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.

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