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### <u>"Registered Specialist Trade Contractors Scheme"</u> to Upgrade "Building Maintenance" and "Interior Fitting-out" as Designated Trades from October 2023

**Hong Kong • 29 September 2023** – Starting from 1 October 2023, the Construction Industry Council (CIC) will upgrade "Building Maintenance" and "Interior Fitting-out" as the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> designated trades under the "Registered Specialist Trade Contractors Scheme" (the Scheme) to promote the professional development of the industry.

The CIC's "Construction Expenditure Forecast" published in July 2023 shows that repair, maintenance, alteration and addition (RMAA) works account for about 25% of the total construction volume in Hong Kong. Therefore, the CIC works together with the industry stakeholders to formulate strategies and measures for promoting skill upgrade, safety training and supervision enhancement so as to facilitate the sustainable development of the RMAA industry. By upgrading "Building Maintenance" and "Interior Fitting-out" to the Scheme, the competencies of the registered companies will be strengthened in terms of the six registration elements, namely safety, management, job experience, execution, finance and integrity management, and thus to improve the quality and safety of RMAA works.

The CIC organises online induction workshops regularly to help stakeholders understand registration requirements and transition arrangements. For enrolment and details, please visit the Scheme's website (<u>www.rstc.cic.hk</u>) or scan the below QR code.







註冊專門行業承造商制度 Registered Specialist Trade Contractors Scheme

# 新增指定行業 New Designated Trades 01.10.2023

屋宇維修 Building Maintenance

> 室內裝修 Interior Fitting-out





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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.