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# Construction Industry Council Graduate Won a Medallion for Excellence in Wall and Floor Tiling at WorldSkills São Paulo 2015

**Hong Kong** • **19 August 2015** – The 43<sup>rd</sup> WorldSkills Competition closed on 16 August 2015 in São Paulo, Brazil. Representing Hong Kong, the Construction Industry Council's delegation entered four competitions, in one of which a Medallion for Excellence was awarded to Mr. HUI Yip-keung. The three other contestants came very close to winning an award. They just missed by a hair, or a few points. Their outstanding performance was on par with international skill levels.

The Competition was held between 11 and 16 August 2015. Contestants were required to finish assigned tasks under specified conditions in their chosen skill or trade. HUI Yip-keung, the winner of the Medallion of Excellence in the Wall and Floor Tiling competition, made an impression on the judges with his exceptional skills in tiling. The rigorous tests which these contestants went through assessed not only their skill set, but also their attention to details.

"At the early stage of the competition, I could still keep my composure thanks to the confidence I had built through repeated practices," HUI said after receiving the Medallion, "but by the time I noticed how strong the other contestants were, I began to doubt my abilities. Luckily, my instructor encouraged me to forge ahead, so I eventually overcame my negative emotions and completed the task in flying colours." HUI Yip-keung wishes to share this honour with the entire Construction Industry Council delegation from Hong Kong. Since training, coaching, and other logistics arrangements had been taken care of, the contestants could focus on the task at hand, which is to win the WorldSkills competition.

In the 43<sup>rd</sup> WorldSkills Competition, over 1,200 contestants from 60 countries or regions entered competitions covering 50 vocational skills. This biannual international skills competition aims to promote professional and technical competencies and standards by raising the profile of professional education and vocational training around the world. As the most comprehensive and prominent skills competition in the world, its 44<sup>th</sup> edition will be held in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates in 2017.

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Ir Alex LEUNG, Director — Training & Development of the Construction Industry Council congratulating Mr. HUI Yip-keung on his winning a Medallion for Excellence at WorldSkills Competition



Mr. HUI Yip-keung's steady and top-notch performance in Wall and Floor Tiling won him—and Hong Kong—a Medallion for Excellence.



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### About the Construction Industry Council

The Construction Industry Council (CIC) was formed on 1 February 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 Government, provide training and registration for the construction workforce and serve as a communication channel for Government to solicit advice on all construction-related matters.

Please visit www.hkcic.org for further details.

#### About WorldSkills São Paulo 2015

Hailed as the Skills Olympics with 64-year of history, the WorldSkills Competition is an international event held in different hosting countries every two years. It provides a platform for celebrating world-class excellence in skills by showcasing the next generation of skills talent. It provides valuable opportunities for around 1,200 youth talents under the age of 22 from 50 countries and regions to exchange knowledge and skills.

The four-day competition covers 50 different skills such as transport and logistics, construction and building technology, manufacturing and engineering technology, information technology, creative arts and fashion alongside social and personal services. The 43rd WorldSkills Competition was held in São Paulo, Brazil this August.

Please visit http://www.worldskillssaopaulo2015.com/en/ for further details.

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