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Hong Kong Institute of Construction is Officially Opened to Inherit Professional Skills to Nurture Exceptional Talents

Hong Kong • 3 October 2018 — Hong Kong Institute of Construction (HKIC), a member organisation of the Construction Industry Council (CIC) successfully held its grand opening ceremony at HKIC - Tai Po Training Ground. Eight officiating guests included Mr. Paul CHAN, Financial Secretary, Mr. Michael WONG, Secretary for Development, Ir HON Chi-keung, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works), Mr. CHAN Ka-kui, Chairman of CIC, Prof. LEE Chack-fan, Chairman of Hong Kong Institute of Construction Management Board (HKICMB), Ir Allan CHAN, Chairperson of Construction Industry Training Board (CITB), Ir Albert CHENG, Executive Director of CIC and Ir Dr. Francis WONG, Director of HKIC. The Ceremony was attended by more than 200 construction practitioners, witnessing the significant milestone of the development of the industry.

Mr. Paul CHAN, Financial Secretary, said that the construction industry is one of the most important sectors for the development of Hong Kong. With HKIC and CIC serving as platforms, he hoped to work together with the industry to enhance its strengths and to build a better and more livable home.

Prof. LEE Chack-fan, Chairman of HKICMB added, “In line with the future development of construction industry, HKIC has carried out reform on curriculum, facilities and qualification of instructors. To facilitate the professionalism of the industry and students’ personal development, HKIC has incorporated a range of applicable innovative initiatives and whole-person education into the current training programmes. In the coming two years, we will carry out enhancement and renovation works for different campuses and training grounds. We will also provide the opportunity of continuing education for instructors.”

The establishment of HKIC aims to nurture an accomplished construction workforce with sound professional skills, theoretical knowledge, safety awareness, innovative ideas, passion and pride for the construction industry of Hong Kong. HKIC's Diploma in Construction (Metalworks & Welding) has been accredited by the HKCAAVQ with Qualification Framework Level 3, enabling students to obtain both specialised training and recognised educational qualification recognition, and thus, facilitating their career development and progression. In the coming future, HKIC will uphold the motto of "To dedicate • To excel" and continue to seek validation under the Qualification Framework for other programmes and nurture a strong pipeline of knowledge-based talents for the industry.

For more information about HKIC and its training courses, please visit <https://www.hkic.edu.hk/>.



(From left) Ir Dr. Francis WONG, Director of HKIC, Mr. Michael WONG, Secretary for Development, Mr. Paul CHAN, Financial Secretary, Mr. CHAN Ka-kui, Chairman of CIC, Prof. LEE Chack-fan, Chairman of HKICMB, and Ir HON Chi-keung, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works) pose for a photo at HKIC – Tai Po Training Ground



Mr. CHAN Ka-kui, Chairman of CIC states that HKIC will inherit the fine traditions of the former Construction Industry Training Authority and the CIC to nurture pillars for the industry



(From left) Ir Dr. Francis WONG, Director of HKIC, Mr. CHAN Ka-kui, Chairman of CIC, Prof. LEE Chack-fan, Chairman of HKICMB, Mr. Paul CHAN, Financial Secretary, Mr. Michael WONG, Secretary for Development, Ir HON Chi-keung, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works), Ir Allan CHAN, Chairman of CITB and Ir Albert CHENG, Executive Director of CIC officiate at the opening ceremony of HKIC



The percussion performance demonstrates the versatility of HKIC students



The graduates share their study and working experience to provide the public with deeper understanding of the industry prospect



An exhibition themed “Construction Industry 2.0 – Transformation” showcases the contribution of industry practitioners in moving forward the development of construction industry

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 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.

Please visit www.hkic.edu.hk for further details.

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