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The Association of Consulting Engineers of Hong Kong

香港顧問工程師協會

Message from the Chairman



The past quarter has been one of dynamic progress, marked by strategic engagement and forward-looking initiatives. Our commitment to driving efficiency, innovation, and AI applications has been reflected in our activities and meetings with Development Bureau and various departments.

Cost-Saving Initiatives:

We began this period with an unwavering focus on cost-saving measures. We engaged with key stakeholders including the Civil Engineering and Development Department, Highways Department, Drainage Services Department, Water Services Department, and Architectural Services Department (Structural Division). These meetings were insightful and productive as we explored various strategies to optimize our operations without compromising on the quality and safety of our projects. The collaborative spirit exhibited during these discussions underscores our collective dedication to prudent financial management and operational excellence.

Strategic Collaborations:

The dialogues with these departments have further reinforced our commitment to fostering strong partnerships and collaborations. By working closely with these government bodies, we can ensure that our projects are aligned with the broader development goals of the city. These partnerships are crucial as we navigate the complexities of modern engineering and construction, ensuring that we deliver value to the community.

Innovation and New Consultancies:

Our engagement with the Development Bureau was particularly notable as we delved into the prospects of new consultancies and the integration of cutting-edge technologies. The discussions centred around the incorporation of advanced technologies in our projects, which align with our vision of building a resilient and innovative Hong Kong. We explored various opportunities to leverage new technologies to enhance project delivery and efficiency. This approach is expected to not only improve our operational effectiveness but also position us at the forefront of the industry.

Looking ahead, as we move forward, our focus will remain on driving innovation, enhancing operational efficiency, and fostering strategic collaborations. The insights gained from our recent engagements will inform our approach as we continue to navigate the evolving landscape of the engineering and construction industry. We are committed to maintaining the highest standards of professionalism and excellence in all our endeavours.

In conclusion, I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all members of ACEHK for your unwavering support and dedication. Your contributions are invaluable as we strive to achieve our collective goals. I am confident that with our shared vision and commitment, we will continue to drive positive change and make significant strides in our journey.

ACEHK Upcoming Events

- 16 June 2025 : ACEHK Safety Forum
- 29 August 2025 : ACEHK Networking Cocktail
- September 2025 : ACEHK Annual Seminar
- November 2025 : ACEHK Annual Dinner
- 8 December 2025 : ACEHK AGM

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Meet the ACEHK Council Members Team 2024/2025

We are pleased to announce that the 48th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of The Association of Consulting Engineers Hong Kong (ACEHK) took place successfully on 9 December 2024. The new ACEHK Main Council is committed to collaboration and effective communication. We strive to uphold the highest standards of professional conduct and ethics while advancing the consulting engineering profession. Thank you to our members for their unwavering support as we embark on this exciting new chapter.



Left to Right (back row):

David Chang, Victor Cheung, Simon Ng, Francis Sootoo, Eric Lau, Claudine Lee, Eric Lo, Kelvin Cheng, Simon Lau and Jason Wong

Left to Right (front row):

Chris Lee, Stephen Lai, Francis Yau, Ole Wong, and Dickson Law

ACEHK Annual Seminar 2024

The ACEHK Annual Seminar was successfully held on 20 September 2024. We were honoured to have Ir Ricky Lau Chun-kit, JP, Permanent Secretary for Development (Works) Development Bureau, The Government of the HKSAR, as our Guest of Honour. This year's seminar theme is "AI Applications in Engineering", attracted a record-breaking audience of nearly 1,000 participants attending both online and in-person.

This year, we focused on various AI applications in engineering, featuring insights from diverse stakeholders, including industry experts, academics, and practitioners. We emphasised the importance of integrating environmental, social, and governance (ESG) factors in engineering projects to promote sustainability, ethical practices, and positive social impact. Additionally, discussions included innovative technologies and strategies that can drive the engineering industry forward.

We extend our heartfelt appreciation to the organising committee for their dedication and efforts in making this meaningful and informative seminar a resounding success.



ACEHK 47th Annual Dinner cum ACEHK Annual Awards 2024 Presentation Ceremony

The ACEHK 47th Anniversary Dinner, held on 19 November 2024, was a grand celebration of the consulting engineering industry. Over 250 participants joined the evening, which featured the presentation of the ACEHK Annual Awards 2024. This year's Overall Best Award was presented to the project team of Kai Tak Stadium, Kai Tak Sports Park for achieving the highest combined score in the four judging categories. The event was a remarkable opportunity for members and partners to strengthen their camaraderie and celebrate the industry's achievements.



ACEHK Networking Cocktail 2024

The ACEHK Networking Cocktail 2024 welcomed around 100 guests, including Guest of Honour Ir Ho Ying Kit, Tony, JP, Deputy Secretary for Development (Works) 3 Development Bureau, The Government of the HKSAR, and guests from various government departments, associations, and member firms. The event provided a vibrant platform for networking and collaboration, highlighting the strong connections within the consulting engineering industry.



Joint Young Professionals' Design Thinking Workshop

The YMC successfully organised the Joint society Design Thinking Workshop 2025 with the Institution of Civil Engineers, Hong Kong Association, Graduates and Students Division (ICE HKA G&S) and The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors Young Surveyors Group (HKIS YSG) under a theme of Green Transportation. The event commenced with a pre-workshop webinar, providing an overview of the key steps, decision-making processes, and major considerations in railway development planning. This was followed by a one-day design thinking workshop that offered an engaging platform for young professionals to present their inventive proposals within a tailored railway development project scenario.

Our sincere gratitude extends to the distinguished guests, our ACEHK Chairman Ir Francis Yau and Sr Tse Wai Chuen Tony, BBS, JP, as well as our judges, Ir Ho Choi Yan, Candy, and Ms. Yeung Shui Ling, Erin. Their support and insights significantly contributed to the workshop's resounding success, nurturing creativity and collaboration among all participants.



ACEHK Council Members for 2024/2025 Session

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Young Members Committee

Position	Name	Company
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Soft Skills Workshop Team Raymond Hui (AtkinsRealis), Heather Au (Aurecon), Venus Chan (AtkinsRealis), Joseph Tse (SMEC)		

ACEHK YMC 2024-2025

- Event Held:**
- 27 Nov 2024 : Joint Seminar on Management and Cost Saving Initiatives for Large-scale Infrastructures / Developments
 - 10 Dec 2024 : Seminar on Fresh Water Cooling Towers
 - 18 Jan 2025 : Joint Young Professionals' Design Thinking Workshop 2025
 - 6 Feb 2025 : ACEHK YMC Networking Dinner 2025
 - 23 Mar 2025 : Greater Bay Area Visit to MiC Factory
- Upcoming Events:**
- Apr 2025 : Soft Skills Workshop
 - May 2025 : Sports Fun Day
 - Jun 2025 : Breakfast Meeting

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