



Building Our Community Contributing Our Professionalism

March is the blossoming season of azaleas, and also a blooming month of the HKIS activities. Some major ones are summarized below:

- The HKIS has agreed with Building Surveyors Institute of Japan (BSIJ) for a mutual recognition of professional qualification of Quantity Surveyor between Hong Kong and Japan, with the signature of reciprocity agreement. The "Reciprocity Agreement Signing Ceremony" was held at Tokyo, Japan on 24 March 2008 together with a seminar on the related topic. During the seminar, we presented the roles of Quantity Surveyor in Hong Kong and Mainland while the representatives from BSIJ introduced the role of Quantity Surveyors in Japanese and other overseas projects. The seminar was very useful for a better understanding on the practices of both places.
- On 16-18 March 2008, I led a team of 24 members to Beijing to visit several departments in Mainland. During the trip, we met several important officials from the Ministry of Construction and the Ministry of Commerce and discussed on the mutual recognition of professional qualifications between Hong Kong and Mainland, the arrangements relating to the implementation of commitments secured under CEPA Supplement IV as well as the development of our industry in the Mainland. We also visited the United Front Work Department of CPC Central Committee and Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council. We hope we can have continual communication with the related Mainland's departments in the future in order to tackle the issues arising on mutual recognition and licensing of our members in the Mainland.
- I have been invited by the Urban Renewal Authority for an interview to exchange opinions on the topic of "Promotion of Building Rehabilitation".
- We have continued to visit local associations for better understanding and communication. This month we visited the Quantity Surveyors Associations of the Housing Department, as well as the Estate Surveyor Association and Association of Government Local Land Surveyors of the Lands Department.
- I have been invited by the Bank of China to be the speaker of a seminar on the topic of "The Current Situation of the PRC Real Estate Market" ("中國房地產現況"). The attendees showed a great interest on the topic and the professional image of the HKIS was successfully promoted through the seminar.
- The Finalist Presentation to the Jury Panel of Quality Building Award 2008 will be held on 24 April 2008. I am glad to be one of the members in the jury panel of this remarkable event. The presentation of this prestigious biennial award will be held in July 2008.
- There will be a CPD event of the PFMD with the topic of "REIT - Securitization of Corporate Real Estate" on 20 May 2008. I will be one of the speakers to share my views and experience on this popular topic. Interested members are welcome to join this event by applying online or by mail.
- The 12th Pacific Association of Quantity Surveyors (PAQS) Congress will be held in Edmonton, Canada from 16 to 18 June 2008. The Canadian Institute of Quantity Surveyors (CIQS) is the host of this remarkable event. I will be representing HKIS to join the congress and will share the details in the coming **Surveyors Times**.

2008 is an election year for Legislative Council. The voter registration for both geographical and functional constituencies will be closed on 16 May 2008. I believe all HKIS members are responsible citizens and I would like to call on the unregistered to do the registration.

We are now organizing a logo design competition to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the HKIS in 2009. Please take this opportunity to show your creativity and imagination!

Yu Kam-hung
President

在杜鵑盛放的三月，學會活動豐富，現謹總結一些主要活動如下：

- 學會與日本建築積算協會（BSIJ）就互相承認兩地工料測量師專業資格達成協議，並簽署了協議書，而「相互認可協議儀式」亦已於2008年3月24日在日本東京舉行。當日同時舉行了相關题目的研討會。會上，學會代表簡介了工料測量師在香港和中國的工作，而日本代表則分享了工料測量師在日本及其他國外項目所扮演的角色。是次研討會加強了兩會會員對兩地工料測量業的了解。
- 在3月16至18日，本人率領了24名會員到北京拜會了數個國家部門，並拜訪了國家建設部及國家商務部的幾位重要官員。我們討論了香港與內地的專業資格互認、「內地與香港更緊密經貿關係安排」（補充協議四）下的實行安排以及香港業界在內地的發展等。同時，我們亦拜會了中央統戰部及國務院港澳辦。學會希望可繼續與國家有關部門進行溝通交流，以解決資格互認及會員在內地執業等問題。
- 市區重建局邀請了本人就「推動樓宇復修」進行採訪及交換意見。
- 為了更好的理解和溝通，理事會在3月繼續拜訪了各本地業界協會，包括房屋署工料測量師協會，地政總署產業測量師協會及政府本地土地測量師協會。
- 本人獲中國銀行邀請為「中國房地產現況」研討會作演講嘉賓。會上各出席者對題目甚感興趣，反應熱烈，而學會

的專業形象亦得以成功推廣。

- 兩年一度的「優質建築大獎」將於2008年7月舉行頒獎典禮，而本人有幸獲邀為其中一位評審員。決賽入選項目將於2008年4月24日向評審團作最後介紹。
- 物業設施管理組將於2008年5月20日舉行題為「房地產信託基金－房地產企業證券化」的持續專業發展課程。作為其中一位講者，本人希望能與各會員分享在這熱門題目上的經驗和意見。有興趣的會員可透過互聯網或以郵遞方式報名參加。
- 第12屆太平洋工料測量師協會（PAQS）會議將於6月16-18日在加拿大埃德蒙頓舉行。本人將代表學會參加是次由加拿大工料測量師協會主持的會議。有關會議的詳情，本人日後將於**測量師時代**再作報告。

2008年是立法會競選年。地方選區及功能界別的選民登記將於2008年5月16日截止。本人謹呼籲會員從速登記，以盡公民責任。

為慶祝學會明年25週年紀念，我們正籌備一個標誌設計比賽，希望會員能一展身手，發揮創造力與想像力！

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