ENVIRONMENTAL DIVISION ANNUAL REPORT FOR SESSION 2014/2015

Chairlady's Message

I am honoured to serve as the Chairlady of the HKIE Environmental Division to HKIE members since July 2014. With the strong and solid foundation laid by the predecessors, an organisation structure well established under their chairmanships enabled me to operate the Division in a highly efficient way.

This year the Environmental Division works closely with HKIE Headquarters to promote and echo the theme "Inspire the Young". We expanded the Job Shadowing Programme from secondary schools in the



past to higher education institutions this year. For the technical aspects, solid waste treatment and management, water and wastewater technology, air quality and climate change, green building, circular economy and energy efficiency are the highlights of the year. With these in mind, we successfully organised activities for HKIE members, focusing on the state-of-the-art technologies and their integrated technology solution for problem solving in achieving environmental targets and improving environmental quality. Our two full-day workshop on the application of building information modelling (BIM) on environmental protection held in March 2015 truly demonstrates our enthusiasm to train our members in new technology and practical application.

It is my great privilege to work closely with a good team of committed committee members. With their unfailing support, we arranged a diversified programme with numerous activities for various stakeholders. For example, we partnered with 5 private and public sectors for the Job Shadowing Programme for students, invited an academic faculty and a private industry for offering the BIM workshop for practicing engineers, organised a 1-day Annual Forum exploring the potential breakthrough of environmental industry in HK and introducing the new concept of circular economy and other drivers for a new wave of environmental industry, and organised the environmental paper award for recognizing engineers' efforts in environmental research and projects. This session is fruitful in terms of both quality and quantity, similar to previous years. We trust that these events were beneficial to our members and the community at large. Apart from the above, we often work with other divisions/associations in co-organising or supporting their activities. This form of collaboration has proved to be a synergy for mutual benefits of our members. I also highlight some of our events in the "Activities" Section.

Last but not least, I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to all committee members, our collaborating associations and the HKIE Secretariat, without their endless support this session would not be successful. As we embark on the next stage of Environmental Division's journey under a new Chairman, I look forward to your continued support to our activities. I would certainly value any points you raise for betterment of the profession of environmental engineering.

Ir Prof Irene LO Man Chi Chairlady of the HKIE Environmental Division (2014-2015)

The Committee

The Committee of the Environmental Division includes the following members who have greatly contributed to discussions and organising various activities for the Division in this Session. A number of young helpers also sit in at regular meetings.

Committee Members

Ir Prof Irene LO Man Chi Ir IP Tat Yan Ir LO Pak Cheong Ir Dr Shelley ZHOU Wenwen Ir Flora MOK Yee Ting Ir LAM Chi Sing Ir Stephen LEE Ming Ching Ms Catherine LEUNG Wai Man Ir Elvis AU Wai Kwong Ir Herman AU Tak Ki Ms Jacqueline CHAN Mr. Benjamin LAM Yau Bun Ir Anthony KWAN Lok Fong Ir LEE Ping Kuen Ir Dr Louis LOCK Fat Shing Ir Kenny WONG Siu Wai Ir Andrew YUEN Ngau Yin

Chairman, LSB Representative Immediate Past Chairman Deputy Chairman Honorary Secretary Honorary Treasurer Committee Member, CSC Representative Committee Member, CPDC Representative Committee Member, PRC Representative Committee Member Committee Member Committee Member Committee Member Committee Member Committee Member **Committee Member** Committee Member Committee Member

Ex-officio and Co-opted Members

Ir Prof POON Chi Sun Ir LAM Cheuk Fung Mr. Patrick LEE Wood Wei Mr. Ambrose CHEN Hao Ting Ir Norman C P CHENG Ir C M CHOI Ir Kelvin S K TANG Ex-officio Member – Discipline Representative Ex-officio Member – Council Member (Division) Ex-officio Member – AMC Representative Ex-officio Member – YMC Representative Co-opted Member Co-opted Member Co-opted Member

<u>Helpers</u>

Ir Dr Alicia K J AN Helper Mr. Kevin CHAN Wai Kit Helper Mr. Ted YEUNG Tit Yu Helper Miss Nikita CHAN Ho Hoi Helper Ir Dr Alex Enagnon GBAGUIDI Helper Helper Dr Dickson YAN Ir Samuel LIP Helper Mr. Tahoe CHOW Helper Ms Mandy WONG Sze Man Helper Helper Ms. Trista LAU Tai

Publication in HKIE Monthly Journal

We continue to act as a coordinator which works closely with potential writers for preparation of articles related to climate change issues from different perspectives for publication in Climate Change Corner under HKIE monthly journal. Apart from these, we also achieved the target of preparing two articles about the activities organised by us with a view to promoting sharing and communication among members. Young members are awarded with book prize coupons if their articles are selected for publication.

HKIE Environmental Division Website

The HKIE Environmental website (http://ev.hkie.org.hk/) has performed an excellent function in keeping members up-to-date with major and important events. These include the activities for which we are the supporting organisation. The photos and the PPT files presented in the seminars can be downloaded from the website to facilitate easy sharing useful information.

The photo gallery stores photos taken in the current and past activities were unloaded for sharing among members, which brings back wonderful memories and joyful moment in the various event and activities.

Finance

The Environmental Division Committee began the 2014/2015 financial year with a balance of HK\$336,798.70 and received a total allocation of HK\$119,917.00 from the HKIE Headquarters. The Division's account held a total of HK\$431,574.43 by the end of March 2014. The status of EVD's Accounts is considered healthy. According to the Rules for Division Accounts, after the Division has received its "End of Year Account" for the 2014/2015 financial year from the HKIE Headquarters, two assigned Corporate Members will audit the account. After the audit, the account will be available for inspection.

Activities

In addition to organising high quality technical meetings and visits, in this session we also involved in other activities, such as making presentations to professionals and general public, attending and responding to consultations, and representing HKIE on external committees / panels so as to further boost up the professional standing of HKIE Environmental Division. The activities organised and co-organised by the Committee are summarized in the **Annex 1** and **2** of the report. Some signature activities of this session are highlighted below:

The Annual Reception was held on 17 October 2014 at Craigengower Cricket Club with Ir Cary CHAN as the Guest of Honour who shared his experience and views on green practice and how to nurture the young engineers in this field. There were over 120 participants attending the reception.

We organised the Job Shadowing Programme and extended the out-reaching from high school to tertiary education students in this Session, and thus we received over 100 students from 3 higher education institutions and 2 secondary schools attending this Programme. With the support from 5 host organisations/companies, namely CLP Power Hong Kong Ltd., Swire Group, Hong Kong Productivity Council, Environmental Protection Department and Hong Kong Electric Co., Ltd., the programme provides an opportunity for young people to explore first-hand skills needed to succeed in today's and future job markets and to enhance their environmental awareness. The programme was welcomed by the students, who have expressed strong interest in the environmental engineering profession and they were also able to appreciate the knowledge and ability required to develop their careers as environmental engineers.

A 2-day workshop on Building Information Modelling (BIM) in Environmental Protection, with Hong Kong Construction Industry Council (HKCIC) as our supporting organisation, was held on 24 (Tue) and 25 (Wed) March 2015. The workshop is the first of its kind in Hong Kong or even in the world, focusing on the environmental applications with hands-on exercises on the use of BIM for reduction of water consumption, carbon footprint and energy use, minimization of C&D waste, and application of computational fluid dynamics for air ventilation. The workshop was well received by the participants.

The Annual Forum entitled "The Future Directions and Breakthroughs of Hong Kong's Environmental Industry" was held at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre on 17 April 2015. It aimed to promote and facilitate the discussion on the future direction of environmental industry in Hong Kong by bringing together various stakeholders including professionals and experts, academics and research institutions, businesses and policy makers. The Forum comprised the keynote session and four other sessions including (1) regional perspectives on the overseas experiences of environmental industry; (2) green business in Hong Kong; (3) circular economy as a cross-cutting policy driver for growth and development of environmental industry; and (4) a closing panel discussion on future direction of environmental industry in Hong Kong. This year we break a record and bring in a new feature by getting the highest registration and sponsorship as well as establishing green event guidelines for organizing a low carbon or carbon offset and green event, respectively. A

technical report for this seminar will be posted on the website of HKIE Environmental Division for sharing among the community at large.

The 2015 Environmental Paper Award was organised to recognize engineers' efforts in any environmental research and projects in environmental pollution control and sustainable development. This year we received an overwhelming submission from academics, private and public sectors on various topics from management to technology development such as carbon footprint reduction, waste to renewable energy, energy saving in buildings, solid waste management, water and wastewater treatment, waste separation and recycling. This Award is intended to encourage widespread emergence of environmentally sound projects.

Public Consultation

We offered our views and comments to the following consultation papers

- Future Fuel Mix for Electricity Generation (June 2014)
- EIA Report for the Expansion of the Hong Kong International Airport into a Three-Runway System (July 2014)
- Consumer Council's Study of the Hong Kong Electricity Market (Jan 2015)

Environmental Discipline Advisory Panel

This was a fruitful year for the Discipline Advisory Panel (DAP) in terms of membership as the Discipline has nearly 300 members as at Mar 2015. The Panel held five meetings in this session. Apart from processing various qualification and training matters and degree programme accreditation, the Panel also worked on several key issues including:

- Contributing to the HKIE Working Group on the Implementation of Competence Based Approach in Assessment of Experience and Professional Competence;
- Disseminating the guideline on professional assessment criteria to assessors following the briefing session on 15 Feb 2015;
- Contributing to the accreditation of the new 3-3-4 engineering degree and IVE HD course curricula;
- Contributing to Task Force on Minimum Core Subjects required for a Discipline; and
- Recruited new Panel members contributing to DAP work.

Annex 1– Schedule of Activities: technical seminars, meetings/forum, visits, and training course/workshop/symposium organised / participated by Environmental Division in 2014/2015

Date	Title		
8-9 Jul 2014	Soft-landing Series: Technology-Industry Matching Seminar on		
	International Consumer Electronics Innovations		
12 Jul 14	Technical Forum: Airport Three Runway System EIA		
23 Jul 14	Technical Seminar: Tolerance of Activated Sludge to Cadmium, Zinc and		
	Nickel		
28 Jul 14	Workshop on Environmental Product Declarations and Life Cycle		
	Analysis for LEED V4		
31 Jul 14	Technical Seminar: Algal-based Technology with Semi-continuous		
	System for Biomass Cultivation and Nutrient Removal in Photobioreactor		
	from Primary Settled Sewage		
18 Aug 2014	Training Course: Construction Industry Council Carbon Labelling Scheme		
	for Construction Products Awareness		
19 Aug 2014	Training Course: Construction Industry Council Carbon Labelling Scheme		
	for Construction Products Auditor-for Steel		
20 Aug 2014	Technical Seminar: U.S. Green Building Council's LEED in Greater China		
25 Aug 2014	Technical Seminar: Micro-mini Pulsed Electric Field Technology for Point-		
	of-Use Disinfection of Tap Water		
26-28 Aug 2014	IAS Symposium on Activated Sludge – Past and Next 100 Years		
19 Sep 2014	Technical Seminar on Declared and Graded Historic Bridges in Hong		
	Kong		
20 Sep-9 Nov 2014	The International Coastal Clean-up – Hong Kong 2014		
23 Sep 2014	Implementation of District Cooling System at Kai Tak Development		
27 Sep 2014	Technical Visit to XRL at Mai Po to SZ section		
30 Sep 2014	Symposium: Soundscape-shaping Better Acoustical Environment for		
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9 Oct 2014	CLP Power Green Building Symposium 2014		
10 Oct 2014	Chinachem Sustainable Development Conference 2014 Venue: L'hotel		
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13 Oct 2014	Seminar on Energy Efficiency under Climate Change Uncertainty		
18 Oct 2014	Technical Seminar: "Exploring Alternative Fuel Vehicles in Hong Kong –		
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22 Oct 2014	Technical Seminar: Turning Waste Glass Bottles to Eco-friendly		
28 Oct 2014	Construction Materials		
26 001 2014	Technical Seminar: Technology and Development of Green Refrigerants for HVAC		
30 Oct 2014			
1 Nov 2014	Canadian Environment & Green Building Mission Partnering Seminar Technical Visit to CLP Power's Castle Peak and Black Point Power		
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Nov/Dec 2014	Forum on "Experience Sharing of Water Conservation Measures from		
1101/2002011	Hotel and Catering Industries"		
8 Nov 2014	Technical Visit to Odour Assessment Lab at Poly University		
12-14 Nov 2014	DSD International Conference 2014 on Sustainable Storm water and		
12 111100 2011	Wastewater Management		
19 Nov 14	Technical Seminar: Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrading in Shanghai		
25 Nov 2014	Technical Seminar: From Sustainable Building to Net Zero Impact –		
	Swire Sustainability Case Study		
27 Nov 2014	Technical Seminar: Sustainable Stormwater Management through Low		
	Impact Development		
27-29 Nov 2014	Conference: Urban Adaptation to Climate Change – Building Resilience		
	in Hong Kong and Asia's Major Cities		
27-29 Nov 2014	工程師大會 (澳門論壇)		
29 Nov 2014	Technical Visit to Hysan Place		
5 Dec 2014	Best Practices for Waste Reduction and Management in Hong Kong		

Date	Title		
	Venue: Business Environment Council Building		
10 Dec 2014	Technical Seminar: Sewage Treatment in Hong Kong: Past, Present and		
	Future		
18 Dec 2014	Technical Seminar: Key Success Factors in implementing ISO50001		
	Energy Management System		
13 Jan 2015	Conference on Intelligent SysteMiss, Structures and Facility 2015 (ISSF		
	2015 Conference)		
24 Jan 2015	Forum on Food Waste Management in Hong Kong		
24 Jan 2015	JCEIA Annual Conference: Municipal Solid Waste		
27 Jan 2015	Technical Seminar: Membrane Technology for Clean Water, Energy, and Beyond		
12 Feb 2015	Technical Seminar: Exhaust after Treatment Technology for Emission		
	Control of Diesel Engines		
16 Feb 2015	Technical Seminar: Simulation of Near-field and Far-field Dispersion of		
	Pollutants in Coastal Waters		
28 Feb 2015	Open Forum on Voluntary Health Insurance Scheme (VHIS)		
	(「自願醫保計劃」公開論壇)		
7 Mar 2015	Technical Visit: Heavy Vehicle Emission Testing and Research Centre		
14 Mar 2015	Technical visit: Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge, Hong Kong Boundary		
	Crossing Facilities		
18 Mar 2015	Technical Seminar: Engineering for Green Building		
20 Mar 2015	Regulatory Compliance for Environmental Legislation of Hong Kong (2		
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24-28 Mar 2015	CIWEM HK Study Mission 2015 – Environmental Management and		
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24-25 Mar 2015	Training Workshop: Application of Building Information Modelling in		
	Environmental Protection		
26 Mar 2015	Venue; HKCIC Centre, Computer Room		
20 Mar 2015	Technical Seminar: Testing, Inspection and Certification Services on		
29 Mar 2015	Environmental Monitoring in Hong Kong		
28 Mar 2015 1 Apr 2015	HKIE Engineering and You Programme 2015		
1 Apr 2015	Technical Seminar: DSD Happy Valley Underground Stormwater Storage Scheme		
11 April 2015	Technical Visit: Hong Kong's first commercial-scale standalone		
r	Renewable energy (RE) generation and storage system		
18 Apr 2015	Technical Visit: DSD site in Happy Valley		
9 May 2015	Technical Visit: Central - Wan Chai Bypass and Island Eastern Corridor		
	Link on		
16 May 2015	Technical Visit: HK Electric Smart Power Centre and Power Quality		
	Centre		

Annex 2– Schedule of Activities: technical seminar, forum/conference, and training course co-organised by Environmental Division in 2014/2015

Date	Co-organised activities	Other organisers
21 Aug 2014	Technical Seminar: E-saving Technology "Heat and Chill Recovery" for Laundry	CAD & AMC of HKIE
9 Oct 2014	Technical Seminar: Odour Pollution and Odour Impact Assessment in Hong Kong	CAD, ITD & AMC of HKIE
10-11 Oct 2014	Forum: 第七屆粵港澳可持續發展研討會	CAD & CVD of HKIE and 廣 東省科協及澳門工程師學會
15-16 Oct 2014	Conference: 5th International Conference on Energy – Sustainable Energy Policies and Technologies	BSD, EGD, CityU & EI
22 Nov 2014	Forum:「國家環境保護法規」論壇國家環 境保護部政法司法規處副處長:李静雲女士	HKGSA
10 Dec 2014	Technical Seminar: Management Options for Energy-from-Waste: Air Pollution Control Residues	PolyU & HKWMA
5 Jan 2015	Technical Seminar: An Overview of the Physical and Urban Environment of Hong Kong Waterfront	CAD & AMC of HKIE
21 Jan 2015	Technical Seminar: An Overview of the Physical and Urban Environment of Hong Kong Waterfront – Part II	CAD and AMC of HKIE
6 Feb 2015	Technical Seminar: Young or Ready Series 2: A Route to become a Professional Environmental Engineer	YMC of HKIE
21 Mar 2015	Technical Seminar: Sustainable Waste Management Policy and Implementation - Plastic Shopping Bag Levy and Others in the Pipeline	HKGSA, HKWMA, IMechE HK, CIWEM HK, HKBEE, BPA & HKPASEA
21 Mar-6 Jun 2015	Training Course: Waste and Environmental Management	HKWMA, IMechE & PolyU
16 Apr 2015	Technical Seminar: From Solid Waste Control to Sustainable Materials Management in Taiwan	NTU Alumni Association (Civil and Geology)