

Regional News for August 2010

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Three Envelope System

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2 Aug 2010: 92 members and guests attended “Procuring for Innovations with ‘3-Envelope System’” given by Ms. Ada Fung, Deputy Director of Housing Department in the Hong Kong Productivity Council.

In 2009, the Hong Kong Housing Authority launched an innovative “3-Envelope System” to procure an integrated design and build contract. The system offers a unique opportunity with constraints for tenderers to innovate the project delivery with certain greening ratio. The additional Envelope requires tenderers to propose any specific Innovations plus the corresponding price adjustments. (The procurement system itself is innovative).

Ms. Ada Fung examines the different approaches taken to the allocation of the risk in different types of procurement, and describes the development of the integrated contract as well as detailed operation of the 3-envelope system having regard to the risk appetite of the Housing Authority.

Ada Fung JP is the Deputy Director of Housing who supervises the Development & Construction Division of the Housing Department. She has been overseeing all facets of work covering project management, planning, design and contract management, as well as establishing operational policies on procurement, design, construction, quality, performance assessment, research and development, safety and the environment for public housing development in Hong Kong. We are honored to have this talk given by her.



Nearly full house for this talk.
Audiences were impressed by
this innovative method of
procurement

Senior Vice Chairman Honby
Chan (left) presents a
souvenir to Ms. Ada Fung



Visit of COVEC

Denny Mak

3 Aug 2010: China Overseas Engineering Group Co Ltd (COVEC) from Beijing, represented by Dr. FANG Yuanming 方遠明, paid a courtesy visit to the Hong Kong Region. During the visit, we exchanged our opinions about the future cooperation between two bodies. We look forward to working with COVEC as our partner for the ICES development in Mainland China. Dr. Fang would also consider helping us to develop ICES Approved Development Scheme in China.

Safety and Environmental Issues in Construction Sites

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18 Aug 2010: 60 members and guests attended the “Environmental & Safety Issues in Construction Sites” given by Ir. Eric Tsang who has over 20 years experience in the construction industry particularly in the field of safety and environmental management in infrastructure projects. He introduced the relevant regulations in respect of safety and health, site safety issues on machinery, working environment, and personnel involvement. He also talked about the provisions related to safety and health under civil engineering contracts. The seminar highlighted the current environmental and safety practices in the construction sites based on the personal encounters of the Mr. Tsang. He also shared his experiences in a social perspective about mentality of workers, public concerns, new challenges in safety and environmental works, etc.

Coming Events

4 September 2010: HKIS Annual Conference 2010 “Building Adaptation and Revitalization”. ICES is one of the supporting organizations.

17 September 2010: Gathering with two guests from Board of Education, HKIS. CM division members who wish to join HKIS may take this opportunity to discuss with the guests.

September 2010: Follow up topic about Civil Justice Reform to be given by Mr. Steven Yip, Hon Legal Adviser of the Hong Kong Region, details to be confirmed.

September 2010: Half day seminar in the University of Macao about mobile mapping, date and venue to be confirmed.