



Chairman's Message

The past year has been a remarkable journey of growth and transformation for the HKIE Young Members Committee (YMC), as we have steadfastly pursued our theme of "Enlightening beyond our Horizon." Through a relentless commitment to innovation, collaboration, and the cultivation of visionary perspectives, our young engineers have consistently pushed the boundaries of what is possible, unlocking new realms of achievement and building invaluable connections within the professional community.

As a learned society, we continue to provide technical seminars and visits covering a wide spectrum of engineering disciplines. Apart from the technical competence, we also enhanced our members' personal development by organizing various work-life balance activities from soft skills training to social service events.

Beyond the boundaries of an engineer stereotype, the YMC has sought to unlock the potential of engineers by exploring diverse career paths. Through insightful experience-sharing sessions with entrepreneurs and construction dispute experts, we have empowered our young members to envision the limitless possibilities that lie ahead, inspiring them to become trailblazers in their chosen fields.

We extended the horizons of our members by providing global exposure. Our flagship overseas delegation to Sweden, themed

"Mind Mapping Sustainability," and our participation in the CAFEO conference, provided a platform for our delegates to immerse themselves in the global approaches to sustainable urban development, inspiring them to become the pioneers who can shape the cities of tomorrow.

Innovative ideas could be ignited through interactive exchanges with people of diverse backgrounds. We took the lead in fostering connections among young professionals. Our efforts were highlighted by the Joint Society Christmas Party (JSCP) and Joint Professional Christmas Party. The JSCP brought together over ten young professional committees from the engineering and construction industry. Besides, the JPCP included professionals beyond the construction industry, such as barristers, accountants, and chartered secretaries. Furthermore, our Greater Bay Area delegation to Wei Zhou, held in collaboration with over 20 Hong Kong professional groups, focused on sustainable development and strategic planning, explored the crucial roles that Hong Kong's young engineers can play during the rapid development of the Greater Bay Area.

Our commitment to nurturing the next generation has been unwavering. This year, two new student chapters at Hong Kong Metropolitan University and the College of Professional and Continuing Education were established, fostering diversified collaborations among engineering students. We provided platforms to empower our student members to showcase their creativity and teamwork, such as the "Greater Bay Area Tertiary Institution Innovation Project Invitational Competition," in which they collaborated with their mainland counterparts in the designated tasks. Our Mainland delegation

to Beijing jointly organised with the Joint Student chapters, was another significant highlight. This delegation provided opportunities for our young engineers to act as mentors and inherit their experience to the engineering students to explore Beijing's successes in sustainability and carbon neutrality.

In our efforts to enhance our visibility and engagement, we created a LinkedIn account and observed a 14% increase in our Instagram followers, making us one of the best among Hong Kong's young professional groups. Our media outreach keeps our members informed and engaged with our activities.

As I reflect on these remarkable achievements grounded by all the YMC members, I am filled with a profound sense of pride and optimism. The unwavering dedication and visionary leadership of our past chairmen, advisors, co-opted members, event coordinators, and helpers have laid the foundation for our continued success. Their tireless efforts have paved the way for our young engineers to thrive. I am truly honoured to have had the opportunity to build upon their legacy.

Looking ahead, the YMC remains steadfast in its mission to nurture the next generation of engineering leaders, empowering them to embrace the challenges of our time and redefine the boundaries of what is possible. Through our unwavering commitment to "Enlightening beyond our Horizon," we will continue to cultivate a spirit of innovation, foster a culture of collaboration, and inspire our young members to become the architects of our sustainable and thriving future.

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