CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



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Young Members Committee
The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers

It has been a compact but exciting session in the Young Members Committee (YMC) of the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers (HKIE). Under the theme of "One Team, Shared Goals", we strived to build a coherent team and work in concert to serve the different needs of our members. With our great team effort, we have arranged over 80 events in the 10-month session to benefit our young members, our engineering industry and our society.

YMC has been one of the most prominent bodies to connect and represent the voice of young engineers from diverse engineering disciplines and sectors. As pandemic conditions improve and social distancing restrictions ease, we are striving to strengthen our connection both internally and externally. Through this period, we have organised different networking and sports events to facilitate team building and ideas exchange amongst our members. We have provided social media updates to keep ourselves connected virtually to the digital world and our friendly societies. We have also collaborated with different professional bodies to organise events to widen the knowledge and network of our members and arranged several dialogues to enable members to voice out their opinions on the latest policies on engineering and youth development.

Outside Hong Kong, with the lifting of cross-border restrictions, we were pleased to have organised the Overseas Delegation to Germany to study our shared goals of the energy transition, digital transformation and sustainable city. We also maintained close ties with different engineering institutions in Asia through participation in the Young Engineers of the ASEAN Federation of Engineering Organisation Conference in Cambodia.

The pride of being an engineering professional comes from our technical and professional knowledge. To support the all-rounded development of young members, we offered comprehensive continuing professional development activities to enrich the competencies of our members, from technical seminars and visits of different engineering disciplines, general professional trainings to personal development workshops. To drive membership development, we continued to jointly organise the Young or Ready Series with different Divisions to share up-to-date information on professional assessment with our young members.

We played an important role in driving the HKIE's initiative of nurturing our talented successors. We served in different Student Chapters of the Institution, providing advice and support for their operation and development. We also coordinated a wide range of workshops to assist students with their career development and job seeking. Additionally, we promoted STEM to primary and secondary school students through our involvement in the Child Development Fund Project of the Boys' & Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong and the Ecomodel Tournament of the Green Council. Moreover, we also supported the Institution to organise the Engineers Week to promote engineering to the public.

Our accomplishment was attributable to the dedicated efforts of our Past Chairmen, Committee Members, Co-opted Members, Advisors, event coordinators and helpers. Let's keep up with the great team spirit and work together to contribute towards the engineering industry and the betterment of Hong Kong.

