



Chairman's Message

"The idea was to bring together a group of remarkable people, to see if they could become something more."

- Nick Fury (Avengers)

It is yet another fruitful session for the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers - Young Members Committee (HKIE-YMC), coming to its 33rd year. Earlier the session, I set the theme of this session as "Redefine", hoping to reshape the HKIE-YMC into a more creative, professional and outgoing branch of the HKIE to embrace the rising challenges both inside and outside the industry.

This year also marks an important milestone for the engineering industry of Hong Kong, as it is the 70th anniversary since the establishment of the Engineering Society of Hong Kong, the predecessor of the now HKIE. Not only did it aim to set out the professional image of engineers in Hong Kong then and now, but also to uphold the tradition of a high standard of professionalism and to provide a platform for the exchange of technical knowledge and cutting edge technologies. The society's efforts to nurture our young engineers continue to this day, as the HKIE-YMC continues looking forward by "Engineering a New Horizon from 70 Years' Foundation", as set out by this year's theme of the HKIE. The HKIE-YMC has upheld this theme and discovered many new horizons throughout the session. Our Committee continued to provide high-quality activities for our registered young members (RYM) from all 21 disciplines of the HKIE, and with the support of almost 5,000 RYM,

we maintained one of the most prominent bodies for young engineers in Hong Kong.

The HKIE-YMC continues to provide technical seminars / visits covering a wide spectrum of engineering disciplines. From the selection of cooling towers, Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Treatment and Recycling Facility (WEEETRF), drone safety to CLP Academy, our events provides our RYMs the opportunity to refine themselves into professional engineers with a wider range of engineering knowledge at hand. In addition, we also organised several activities aimed at the all-round development of our RYMs, including geopark visit, photography workshop X heritage tour, etc. to help our RYMs appreciate aspects other than engineering such as arts, culture, and so on.

In this session, we have taken the initiative to become more exposed in the industry. In addition to our collaboration with other divisions of the HKIE to organise themed activities, we have taken a big step outward in collaborating activities with the young groups of other professionals such as Architects, Planners, Lawyers, etc. The architecture walk, one day seminar on contract management and the upcoming planning workshop

for the Yau Ma Tei Fruit Market development would surely bring to our RYM a whole new experience and perspective in working with other professionals in the construction industry. Moreover, we have been stepping outside Hong Kong. Further to our flagship event "Overseas Delegation to New York", from which our delegates had gained diverse technical experiences and learnings from engineers in New York, our participation in the Conference of ASEAN Federation of Engineering Organisation had exposed HKIE-YMC to the engineering sector of Southeast Asia, and we are now establishing a platform for young engineers in the Asia-Pacific region to enable exchange of innovative ideas and engineering technologies and to work together for a better world.

In order to work for a better world, the HKIE-YMC has continued to commit to community services and contributes to the local society. In addition to our collaboration with various NGOs in organising activities and mentorship schemes, we have assisted HKIE in organising the "Smart Tomorrow, Engineering Motto" event, which had allowed us to engage the public and to raise public awareness towards the engineering

industry. We had also re-booted the "Dialogue with the Secretary" series, just at the right timing of the change of government in July 2017, which allows our RYMs to talk to the Secretaries of Bureaux and to share their views on policies and voice out the views of the young.

With the great effort of all helpers, coopted members, event coordinators, observers and committee members, HKIE-YMC has surely become something more after this session. I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to them for their great contribution to make this session of the HKIE-YMC another success. Also a special thanks to Advisor Ir Dr. PL Yuen, Coopted Members from Council Ir Dr. Joseph Chi and Ir Jovian CHEUNG, in which they have spent generous amounts of time and effort in giving guidance to the HKIE-YMC to become a better organisation under the HKIE. It has been an honour serving the HKIE-YMC. After this session, I am sure the HKIE-YMC is well prepared to face the more difficult challenges up ahead, and *"boldly go where no one has gone before."* - Star Trek.