



Memorandum of Understanding

Between

The Hong Kong Institute of Utility Specialists, Unit 209, 2/F, Favor Industrial Center, 2-6 Kin Hong Street, Kwai Chung, N.T.H.K. hereinafter referred to as 'HKIUS'

And

The Chartered Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors of Dominion House, Sibson Road, Sale, Cheshire M33 7PP United Kingdom, hereinafter referred to as "ICES"

1. PREAMBLE

HKIUS and ICES (the "Parties") enter into this Memorandum of Understanding (the "Understanding") in order to identify ways that HKIUS and ICES may co-operate on matters in common relating to the utility specialists industry and to civil engineering surveying.

2. GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- 2.1 Each Party recognises the local, national and international context in which HKIUS and ICES operates.
- 2.2 Both organisations support the development, general acceptance and enforcement of international standards.
- 2.3 HKIUS recognises the unique knowledge and expertise of ICES within the science and art of civil engineering surveying.
- 2.4 ICES recognises the unique knowledge and expertise of HKIUS within the science and practice of the utility specialists industry.

3. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Understanding are:

- 3.1 To encourage a positive environment within which HKIUS and ICES can work collaboratively.
- 3.2 To provide a basis for joint action in all priority areas of common interest, for example but not limited to, continuing professional development, education, member services, professional services, relevant services to and for the utility specialists industry and civil engineering industries and the general public, conferences and training.

HKIUS and ICES agree:

- 3.3 To apprise each other of any undertakings they may be planning that could be of mutual interest.
- 3.4 To encourage collaboration of CPD/networking events by members and, when possible, to cross-promote individual events to their respective members.
- 3.5 To co-operate in international development by promoting each other's organisation and competencies where appropriate and possible.
- 3.6 Where appropriate, to promote respective disciplines and careers at universities, colleges and career fairs.
- 3.7 To disseminate relevant information to their respective members.
- 3.8 To consult with respect to programmes and activities that might be undertaken collaboratively.
- 3.9 To work together and build a strong relationship in order to promote and enhance the development of their respective professions.
- 3.10 To work to complement their respective efforts when dealing with government and other organisations on issues that affect each party.
- 3.11 To work together to ensure appropriately qualified professionals and technicians continue to pursue careers within their respective professions.

4. GENERAL

4.1 This Understanding is intended to encourage and further extend dialogue between HKIUS and ICES. This will permit both organisations to consider issues which affect them, and foster increased co-operation in addressing policies and practical matters of interest.

HKIUS and ICES recognise that:

4.2 Nothing in this Understanding reduces or constrains HKIUS and ICES in exercising their legitimate role with respect to their own members.

4.3 This Understanding is effective on the date of its execution by each Party, and its term will be five years from the date of execution; with an annual review of the relationship and its resulting activities.

4.4 Prior to the expiry of this Understanding, the Parties will seek to evaluate the activities taken hereunder and provide each other with such relevant information as may reasonably be required for such evaluations.

4.5 The Parties may decide to enter into a subsequent Understanding to continue the purposes of this Understanding beyond its current term.

4.6 This Understanding may be amended by the Parties from time to time as agreed by both Parties; HKIUS and ICES may terminate the Understanding on six (6) months of notice of its advising the other, or on shorter notice by mutual agreement.

4.7 This Understanding does not create or confer any contractual, legal or equitable rights between the Parties; neither of the Parties is subject to any legal responsibilities or obligations arising out of, or connected to, any non-performance of any provision of the Understanding.

4.8 The Parties declare that nothing in the Understanding will be considered as creating a partnership, joint venture or agency relationship between HKIUS and ICES.

Signed

President of HKIUS



Dr. King Wong



President of ICES

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Date: 17 April 2015

