

**Construction Industry Council**  
**Construction Industry Training Board**

Meeting No. 007/14 of the Construction Industry Training Board was held on Monday, 1 September 2014 at 3:00 pm at Conference Room, CIC Headquarters, 15/F, Allied Kajima Building, 138 Gloucester Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong.

Summary notes of the Construction industry Training Board (CITB) Meeting No. 007/14:

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Paper</b>	<b>Major Resolutions / Progress Highlights</b>
7.1	CIC/CTB/R/006/14	<b>Welcome and Confirmation of Progress Report of the last meeting</b> Members confirmed the revised Progress Report of the 6 <sup>th</sup> meeting held on 15 July 2014.
7.2	CIC/CTB/R/006/14	<b>Matters arising from the last meeting</b> Members noted the following highlighted issues: i) Regarding the letter from the Education Bureau on how to promote vocational education, the Chairman would discuss with representatives of the Education Bureau about the scope of cooperation in the long run; and ii) A summary is made by the Chairman of future developments of CITB. For the short-term goal, it aimed at tackling training courses and trade tests with longer waiting time. For the mid-term goal, it was hoped that various cooperative training schemes would be standardized and trainees be encouraged to stay in the industry through on-the-job training subsidy scheme. Appointment of a consultant to review and enhance the usage of training centres and training grounds, study of providing training to train up skilled craftsmen and drafting of long run training proposals would all be the long-term goals.
7.3	CIC/CTB/P/168/14 (for discussion)	<b>Target number of graduates and financial estimates for cooperative training schemes in Year 2014</b> Members approved the target number of graduates and the total training places for cooperative training schemes in 2014. Together with the trainees, who had not yet completed training by the end of 2013 and had to complete the training within 2014, the total estimated expenditure for 2014 was around \$128 million.
7.4	CIC/CTB/P/169/14 (for discussion)	<b>Target number of graduates and financial estimates for cooperative training schemes in Year 2015</b> Members approved the target number of graduates and the total training places for 2015 as well as the estimated expenditure of \$107 million.
7.5	CIC/CTB/P/170/14 (for discussion)	<b>Work plan and financial estimates for CITB for Year 2015</b> Members noted the key tasks of CITB and also the income and operating expenditure under CITB for year 2015. In addition, the management arranged an explanatory session subsequently for individual Members to understand the details of the revised financial estimates for CITB in 2014 and 2015.
7.6	CIC/CTB/P/156/14 (for discussion)	<b>Effects on training courses and trade tests after amendments to CWRO and proposed overall response plan</b> Members noted that the amendments to CWRO had more impact on trade tests than on training courses, which included adding 17 new construction trade tests and intermediate trade tests for the proposed trades; following up the test questions of intermediate trade tests in 10 trade divisions related to plant operation; and revising the trade

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		testing arrangement of the Bricklaying, Plastering and Tiling (Master) to include the trade of mason.
7.7	CIC/CTB/P/157/14 (for discussion)	<p><b>Revising the terms of reference and membership composition of course advisory panels</b></p> <p>Members noted that task forces under CITB were re-structured in early 2014, so the terms of reference for the new term of course advisory panels required minor revisions. It was also proposed to adjust the number of members and composition to enhance consistency so as to fairly listen to comments from various parties.</p>
7.8	CIC/CTB/P/158/14 (for discussion)	<p><b>Proposed revisions to trades under Enhanced Construction Manpower Training Scheme (ECMTS)</b></p> <p>Members accepted the captioned revisions and the number of specified trades under ECMTS after September 2014 would be adjusted from 18 (a total of 23 courses) to 17 (21 courses). The revision was applicable to in-house courses offered by CIC from October 2014 onwards and those cooperative training schemes commencing from 2015. The proposed trade for deletion and its related two courses would become regular short courses of CIC with trainee allowance being reduced from \$320 per day (under ECMTS) to \$150 per day (for regular short courses).</p>
7.9	CIC/CTB/P/159/14 (for discussion)	<p><b>Proposal of providing intermediate trade tests for trainees at training centres</b></p> <p>Members approved the arrangement for providing intermediate trade tests on Metal Scaffolding and Timber Formwork (Building Construction) for trainees at training centres and also accepted the budget of \$130,000 for establishing 7 testing stations for intermediate trade test of Timber Formwork at Siu Lun Street Training Ground.</p>
7.10	CIC/CTB/P/160/14 (for discussion)	<p><b>Provision of “Building Information Modelling (BIM) Advanced Course”</b></p> <p>Members agreed to provide “Advanced Course on BIM (Architecture)”, “Advanced Course on BIM (Structure)” and “Advanced Course on BIM (MEP)”. Each course would last for 30 hours with a fee of \$2,500 per trainee.</p>
7.11 7.12	CIC/CTB/P/161/14 CIC/CTB/P/162/14 (for discussion)	<p><b>Proposed revisions to the test contents of Plumber and Leveller and revision to the payment of trainee allowance under Sub-Contractor Cooperative Training Scheme</b></p> <p>Members accepted the proposed revisions to the test contents of Plumber and Leveller and the revision to the payment of trainee allowance under Sub-Contractor Cooperative Training Scheme. Trainee allowance and graduation allowance would be calculated by using a daily wage rate and the days of attendance, i.e. \$240 and \$80 per day respectively.</p>
7.13 7.14 7.15 7.16	CIC/CTB/P/163/14 CIC/CTB/P/164/14 CIC/CTB/P/165/14 CIC/CTB/P/166/14 (for information)	<p><b>Summary report of the second meeting of Task Force on Training in 2014; Summary reports of the fourth and fifth meetings of Task Force on Trade Testing in 2014; Summary report of the first joint meeting of “Task Force on Contractor Cooperative Training and Apprenticeship Scheme” and “Task Force on Sub-contractor Cooperative Training, On-the-job Training, E&amp;M Training and Subsidy Scheme” in 2014; and Summary report of the second meeting of Working Group on RMAA Manpower Research in 2014</b></p> <p>Members noted the summary reports of the captioned task forces and working group.</p>

**Remarks:** *The mentioned papers discussed at the Construction Industry Training Board can be made available to Council Members from the CIC Secretariat upon request.*