

Construction Industry Council

Committee on Construction Business Development and Productivity

Meeting No. 003/24 of the Committee on Construction Business Development and Productivity (Com-CBD&PRO) was held on 18 December 2024 (Wednesday) at 2:30 pm at the Board Room, 38/F, COS Centre, 56 Tsun Yip Street, Kwun Tong, Kowloon and via MS Teams.

Summary Notes of the Com-CBD&PRO Meeting No. 003/24:

Agenda Item	Paper	Major Resolutions / Progress Highlights
3.1	-	Safety Moment Members took note about: (1) the CIC Chairman's safety message – to conduct dynamic risk assessment and field control briefing, and to stop working if there is any change in on-site environment or work; (2) Walk the Talk Webinar on Fatal Zone Management and ICAC Webinar on Professional Ethics and Integrity of Safety Officers; and (3) CIC Master Class in Safety Leadership Culture.
3.2	CIC/CBDPRO/M/002/24	Confirmation of Minutes of the Previous Meeting Members confirmed the minutes of the Com-CBD&PRO Meeting No. 002/24 without further amendment.
3.3	-	Matter Arising from the Previous Meeting (a) <u>Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Paper CIC/CBDPRO/M/001/24)</u> Members confirmed the minutes of the Com-CBD&PRO Meeting No. 001/24 without further

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		<p>amendment.</p> <p>(b) <u>Update on the Future Construction Excellence Programme (FCE Programme)</u> The FCE Programme was completed. Positive feedback was received from participants on the programme.</p> <p>(c) <u>Update on the MiC / MiMEP Promotion Activities and Plan</u> Members were briefed about the updates on the proposed MiC MiMEP 3-year promotion plan including consultation and a new master class on MiMEP project implementation (PM).</p>
3.4	-	<p>2024 Key Performance Indicator (KPI) Progress Update</p> <p>(a) <u>KPI progress update of Construction Business Development</u> Members were briefed on the progress update of 2024 Major KPIs of Construction Business Development. The progress of major KPIs was on track.</p> <p>(b) <u>KPI progress update of Construction Productivity</u> Members were briefed on the progress update of 2024 Major KPIs of Construction Productivity. The majority of the 2024 KPIs were completed.</p> <p>(c) <u>KPI progress update of Modular Integrated Construction (MiC)</u> Members were briefed on the progress update of 2024 Major KPIs of MiC. The majority of the 2024 KPIs were completed.</p>

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3.5	-	Update on Construction Innovation Expo (CIExpo) 2025 and CIC Construction Innovation Award (CIA) 2025 Members were briefed on the update on the preparation work for CIExpo 2025 and CIA 2025. The CIExpo 2025 was confirmed to be a 3-day programme, which would be held from 11 to 13 December 2025, in the 2 nd meeting of the Organising Committee of CIExpo 2025 on 17 October 2024. The Judging Panel for CIA 2025 was formed with all the proposed Members confirmed to be in the Judging Panel.
3.6	CIC/CBDPRO/P/008/24 (for information)	Update on CIC R&D Fund 2024 Application Summary and Assessment Results Members were briefed on the update on the status of the first round of R&D Fund applications in 2024, where four new R&D proposals would be funded.
3.7	-	Progress Update on the Funded Research Project - Development of Advanced Seismic Design Guidelines for MiC Buildings in Hong Kong and in the Greater Bay Area Prof. CHAN Tak-ming, Professor of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, updated Members about the final report of the funded research project. Members had no further comments. The CIC Secretariat would liaise with the project team for the closing of project.
3.8	-	Progress Update on the Funded Research Project - Development of an artificial intelligence rock type classification and fracture state characterization APP for engineering applications Prof. Louis WONG Ngai-yuen from The University of Hong Kong provided the update to Members regarding the progress of the funded project. Members had no further comments. The CIC Secretariat would liaise with the project team for the closing of project.

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3.9	-	<p>CIC Outstanding Contractor Award 2024 (Post Promotion) Members were briefed about the post-event promotional initiatives after the completion of CIC Outstanding Contractor Award 2024 Presentation Ceremony, namely</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) Experience sharing by award winning contractors;(b) Promotion of Integrity Management in collaboration with ICAC; and(c) Promotion of the Registered Specialist Trade Contractors Scheme (RSTCS).
3.10	-	<p>Progress Update on Task Force on Review and Enhancement of Construction Contract Terms Members were briefed on the latest progress of the consultancy study. Following the submission of the draft final report, three stakeholder engagement sessions were held to obtain feedback on the consultancy report from different perspectives.</p> <p>The report should reveal all factual pain points from the perspectives of the employers, main contractors, and sub-contractors. This will serve as a basis to foster long-term constructive changes towards achieving equity in construction contracts. Additionally, the consultancy study should be extended for another three months to enable the lead consultant to comprehensively incorporate the feedback from industry stakeholders into the report.</p>
3.11	-	<p>Progress Update on Construction Expenditure Forecast Members were briefed on the timeline of Construction Expenditure Forecast, including the date of circulation of forecast result for approval and the date of publication, and the appointment status of Task Force on Construction Expenditure Forecast.</p>

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3.12	-	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>(a) <u>Update on Security of Payment Legislation (SOPL)</u> Members were informed that the second reading and the third reading of the SOPL were resumed on 18 December 2024 and the SOP Ordinance would be gazetted on 27 December 2024.</p> <p>Before full implementation of the SOP Ordinance, the CIC would assist the DEVB to promote the details of the Ordinance to the construction industry through various promotional materials as well as briefing sessions co-organised with the DEVB in January to February 2025.</p> <p>(b) <u>Update on Self Certification and Streamlining Procedures</u> Members were informed about the recent publication of JSC Paper No. 2/2024 on 26 November 2024 by DEVB which rolled out the Government’s workplan on streamlining development control in 2025. Besides, since the inception of the self-certification, there had been gradual achievements in streamlining statutory procedures across various government departments. The CIC Secretariat would follow up with DEVB on future developments.</p> <p>(c) <u>Promotion on Adoption of Construction Robotics</u> Members were briefed on the works done by Construction Innovation and Technology Application Centre of the CIC on promoting the adoption of construction robotics.</p>
3.13	-	<p>Next Meeting 001/25</p> <p>The next meeting would be held on 26 March 2025 tentatively. The Secretariat would inform Members upon confirmation of the meeting details.</p>

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		The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Remarks: The mentioned papers discussed at the Committee on Construction Business Development and Productivity Meeting No. 003/24 and the full minutes can be made available to Council Members by the CIC Secretariat upon request.