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Construction Industry Council Launches the “Master Class on Common Data Environment (Project Managers)”

Hong Kong • 2 September 2022 – To enhance the industry’s capacity to adopt and implement Common Data Environment (CDE) and digital construction tools for projects in Hong Kong, the Construction Industry Council (CIC) launches the first signature course on CDE, namely the “CIC Master Class on Common Data Environment (Project Managers)” on a Kick-off Ceremony yesterday.

In the Ceremony, Ms. Bernadette LINN, Secretary for Development, addressed that construction digitalisation can enhance project delivery in terms of speed, quality, quantity, and efficiency. As there are many future mega projects such as the Northern Metropolis and the Lantau Tomorrow Vision coming up in Hong Kong, the Development Bureau will be working closely with the construction industry. The government has also earmarked funding of one hundred million Hong Kong dollars to develop an integrated digital platform to enable data integration and analysis of works information for continuous monitoring and review of project performance with a view to enhancing the management of the Capital Works Programme.

Ir Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC said, “Integrated CDE builds the foundation of smart construction and smart Hong Kong. CDE provides a 7/24 platform for collecting, managing and publishing information for improving team communication, productivity, safety, and sustainability. Integrated CDE offers numerous benefits, it improves Project Coordination Efficiency, allows effective management of Information Flow, helps with forecasting and reducing risks, and facilitates planning, facility management and budgeting, reducing wastes and carbon emissions.”

In his closing remarks, Ir John KWONG, Head of Project Strategy and Governance Office of the Development Bureau mentioned that digitalisation is a driver for transformation in the construction industry. CDE enables data integration and big data analysis to monitor project performance continuously, coupled with AI and other advanced digital technology, project performance can be optimised in respect of productivity, cost-effectiveness and

efficiency, sustainability and safety.

Two overseas CDE experts Mr. Mark ENZER and Mr. David PHILP were also invited to share the importance and benefits of Common Data Environment, and their journeys on adopting CDE into construction work in the UK.

The course is designed for senior practitioners who wish to leverage construction digitalisation and adopt CDE in their business workflow. For more information about “CIC Master Class on Common Data Environment (Project Managers)”, please visit: www.spdc.hkic.edu.hk/en/course_search_detail?courseId=107



Ms. Bernadette LINN, Secretary for Development, shares her insights on construction digitalisation



Ir Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC delivers welcome remarks at the Ceremony



Ir John KWONG, Jr., Head of Project Strategy and Governance Office of the Development Bureau, looks forward to seeing wider adoptions of CDE in Hong Kong



(Front row from left) Ar. Daniel SUEN, Director – Industry Development of the CIC; Sr Eddie LAM, CIC Council Member; Mr. Simon LIU, CIC Council Member; Mr. CHAN Yue-chun, Head of Spatial Data Office; Mr. Michael LI, Deputy Director of Architectural Services; Ms. Alice PANG, Director of Drainage Services; Mr. Kelvin LO, Director of Water Supplies; Ir Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC; Ms. Bernadette LINN, Secretary for Development; Ir Albert CHENG, Executive Director of the CIC; Mr. PANG Yiu-hung, Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services; Ir John KWONG, Head of Project Strategy and Governance Office of the Development Bureau; Mr. LUK Wai-hung, Project Manager/ Major Works of Highways Department; Sr Thomas HO, CIC Council Member; Sr Winnie SHIU, Director of Hong Kong Institute of Construction take a group photo with the course advisory panel



(Starting from front row 4th left) Sr Winnie SHIU, Director of Hong Kong Institute of Construction; Ir John KWONG, Head of Project Strategy and Governance Office of the Development Bureau; Ir Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC; Ms. Bernadette LINN, Secretary for Development; Ir Albert CHENG, Executive Director of the CIC; Ar. Daniel SUEN, Director – Industry Development of the CIC take a group photo with course lecturers

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About the Construction Industry Council

The Construction Industry Council (CIC) was formed in 2007 under the Construction Industry Council Ordinance (Cap. 587). The CIC consists of a chairman and 24 members representing various sectors of the industry including employers, professionals, academics, contractors, workers, independent persons and Government officials.

The main functions of the CIC are to forge consensus on long-term strategic issues, convey the industry's needs and aspirations to the Government, provide professional training and registration services, and serve as a communication channel between the Government and the construction industry.

Please visit www.cic.hk for further details.