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Construction Industry Council Sends Seven Talents to France to Compete in WorldSkills Lyon 2024

Hong Kong • 11 September 2024 – The Opening Ceremony of the 47th WorldSkills Competition was successfully held on the evening of 10 September 2024 (Lyon time), marking the beginning of the four-day WorldSkills Lyon 2024 from 11 September to 14 September. The seven young construction talents sent by the Construction Industry Council (CIC) are ready to compete against the competitors from other countries / regions for their best accomplishments.

This year's competition features a total of 62 skill competitions, with the CIC sending seven representatives to participate, they are CHAN Chun-hei and TSANG Hei-lam for Concrete Construction Work, FONG Chun-yin for Joinery, WU Yunfan for Painting and Decorating, CHAN Chun-ting for Plumbing and Heating, DAI Ka-chun Stephen for Wall and Floor Tiling, and CHOW Lok-yin for Welding. After over a year of comprehensive training and exchange competitions, they are now ready for the challenge, striving to showcasing their outstanding performance in the competitions and earn honours for Hong Kong and the construction industry.

Ir Prof. Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC, Mrs. LO LEE Oi-lin, Chairperson of Hong Kong Institute of Construction (HKIC) Management Board, and Dr. Morgan YANG, Director of HKIC travelled to Lyon in person to support and cheer for the Hong Kong representatives and wish them success. "Through their participation in this large-scale international vocational skills competition, our young talents can observe and learn from other top-notch representatives from around the world, which helps them enhance their skills level and inject innovative vitality into the Hong Kong construction industry. This WorldSkills Competition is more than just a skills contest, it is a testament to the youths' efforts in enhancing their professional excellence, which holds great significance for nurturing talent in the construction industry", said Ir Prof. Thomas HO.

Hailed as the Skills Olympics, the Worldskills Competition is a biennial international event hosted in different countries which provides a platform for showcasing world-class excellence in skills since 1950. This year, over 1,000 young talents at the age or under the age of 22 from over 70 countries and regions join this competition.



The seven WorldSkills competitors sent by the CIC are ready to compete with the representatives from other countries and regions. From Left: TSANG Hei-lam (Concrete Construction Work), DAI Ka-chun Stephen (Wall and Floor Tiling), FONG Chun-yin (Joinery), CHAN Chun-ting (Plumbing and Heating), CHAN Chun-hei at the back (Concrete Construction Work), CHOW Lok-yin (Welding) and WU Yunfan (Painting and Decorating)



Ir Prof. Thomas HO, Chairman of the CIC (Middle), Mrs. LO LEE Oi-lin, Chairperson of HKIC Management Board (Right), and Dr. Morgan YANG, Director of HKIC (Left) have travelled to Lyon in person to support the competitors from Hong Kong.



The opening ceremony officially began on the evening of 10 September 2024 (Lyon time), marking the start of the four-day WorldSkills Lyon 2024 competition from 11 September to 14 September.

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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.