

**HONG KONG INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS COMMITTEE
CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
ANNUAL REPORT FOR SESSION 2005-2006**

Dear members,

It was a challenging year for Session 2005-2006 since the formal training and CPD requirements will commence from 2006. It was also a busy year for our committees and we have organized/co-organized a total of 30 activities this year for our members. We encourage members to participate more in our activities, CPD programs, and in Institution affairs, though I am glad to say that the participation rate for our activities is usually very high.

1. Activities/Seminars

In response to the Action Task for Sessions 2005/2006 to 2007/2008 Meeting with Vice Presidents and Division Deputy Chairmen, we had organized more joint Divisions activities/cross-discipline seminars for our members this year. An Activities Committee lead by Mr. Benjamin Lam was responsible for organizing a wide range of activities such as technical seminars, visits or other interest talks with other Divisions/Committees of HKIE. Our co-organizers include Divisions of Civil, Information Technology, Environment, Control Automation & Instrumentation, Materials, Geotechnical, Safety Specialist Committee and Young Members Committee and the external bodies such as SRSO, HKAASST & UTI and China Research Student Association and Pacific Asia Education Centre. We have organized/co-organized a total 30 activities this year including 25 technical seminars, two local visits, two Mainland China visits and a Taiwan visit. Such seminars and visits provide our members with updated knowledge in various kinds of engineering aspects, management skills and legal issues etc.

2. Training and Development of AM

The implementation of Training similar as Scheme A for Associate members will commence this year and three Divisions such as Civil, Building Services and Manufacturing and Industrial will undergo as a pilot run. Also, CPD requirements for application as Associated Member were implemented from 1 January 06. Prospective candidates are required to satisfy the requirements before the submission of application.

3. Promotion of HKIE

Our Members had actively participated in activities for the promotion of the HKIE including:

- a. Road show – Maritime Square of Tsing Yi City and Telford Plaza;
- b. School Ambassador Visits – participated in the visits organized by PRC - nine times
- c. Career Talk – organized two career talks to students of the Institute Vocational Education (Tsing Yi)

- d. Career Exhibition – participated the exhibition held at the HK Exhibition and Convention Centre and PolyU.

4. Recognition of AHKIE

During the Session of 04/05, with the efforts of the past chairman, Mr. Keith Chung, we launched a series of visits to the Government Departments under the Environment, Transport, and Works Bureau (ETWB) and other large corporations such as the KCRC, MTRC to promote the recognition of AMHKIE. This recognition is supported by ETWB and therefore a consultation on whether to recognize AM as Government entry qualification was being conducted with the Technical Officers' Staff Union afterwards. Most comments received were positive and the move supported. We are also trying to approach other utilities organizations i.e. the Hong Kong and China Gas Co. Ltd, China Light & Power Ltd. and Hong Kong Electric Co. Ltd. this year for such recognition.

Finally, I would like to sincerely thank all our committee members who gave me their greatest support in this session particularly in the direction of our Committee. Of course, I need to thank our friendly Divisions, Committees and all the senior members in the HKIE, the speakers and participants of our organized seminars, and the responsible persons for the visits, without whose support, we could not run things so successfully and smoothly. I hope that the membership of our Committee will increase significantly in the coming years, and look forward to your continued support.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Daniel Cheung Pak Fun', written in a cursive style.

Daniel Cheung Pak Fun
Chairman,
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