

HKIPM / PolyU Joint CPD Seminar on “New Engineering Contracts (NECs) in Hong Kong – Principles and Practices”

The New Engineering Contract Version 3 (NEC3) is a family of contracts that facilitate the implementation of sound project management principles and practices based on a spirit of mutual trust and co-operation. The relevant Works Departments under the Development Bureau are actively undertaking or planning for at least 26 NEC construction and consultancy contracts (with 9 under construction and 17 under planning and design) with a total value of over HK\$8 billion, to start in the coming three years of 2013-2015 by phases.

Dr Daniel W.M. Chan (陳煒明博士), an Associate Professor in Construction Project Management and the Programme Leader for "MSc/PgD in Construction and Real Estate" at the Department of Building and Real Estate of PolyU, was invited by the CPD Committee of the Hong Kong Institute of Project Management (HKIPM) to deliver a technical seminar on the New Engineering Contracts at PolyU on Wednesday, 4 December 2013. Moreover, he has been serving as a Council Member of HKIPM and the Chairman of CPD Committee since July 2013.

Dr Chan has gained abundant experience in research projects on the New Engineering Contracts (NECs) and Target Cost Contracts (TCCs) over the past few years since 2007. The seminar covered the development and application of NEC/TCC contracts in Hong Kong, including: (1) the background, history and key features of NEC/TCC contracts; (2) the highlights of research findings on benefits, difficulties and success factors for NEC/TCC contracts; (3) case studies on some NEC/TCC completed projects in Hong Kong and the United Kingdom for illustration; and (4) the future development trend of NEC/TCC contracts. The seminar was very informative, clearly presented and thought-provoking. It was well received by over 200 registered attendees, and ended with some interesting questions from the audience and insightful answers from the guest speaker.



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Full house participation by industrial practitioners



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Questions from the audience during the Q&A session after the seminar



Souvenir presentation to Dr Daniel Chan (left) by Dr Francis Chan, Immediate Past President of HKIPM (right)



Group photo of some HKIPM council members with student helpers
From left: Mr Hugo Wong, Miss Shine Wang, Dr Daniel Chan, Dr Francis Chan,
Miss Wenlan Cheng, Mr Johnny Leung and Mr Keith Sze