## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT 2017-2019

Chan Tak Wah, Victory President, FHKICW

I am much appreciated Immediate Past President Mr. Charles Chang and every Council's warmest support and trust; I am to have privilege of appointing to be New President (2017 – 2019). Since joining HKICW Council, I had become Examination Board Secretary, Examination Board Chairman and Vice President to participate in the



institute events and provide opinions in every aspects through the Past President and Councils working together. To let me widen view and broaden my horizons are deeply understood the institutional operation during last six years period.

Along of the society growing and facing advanced information age, the SAR Government, developer, client and stakeholders will have great expectation to inspection, supervision and testing process during construction and completion of works. The role of inspectors of works and clerk of works become more and more important. Hence, HKICW is to match with industry needs and to sustain provide training, site visit and continuous professional development in every aspects and category. This year we have joined the different task force committees of URA Building Rehabilitation Platform, and working group on Flat Inspection with CIC are our main focus in 2017 - 2018. Furthermore, the institute also co-organized with AES to have visits to the Mainland of Shunde and Jiangmen to experience the merit of the Bay Area Policy. The visits are including CRRC rolling stock factory and other great enterprises in Guangdong.

Hong Kong has the favored advantages of the China Strategic of Belt and Road and the Bay Area, it indirectly make superiority to Hong Kong construction fields. HKICW will treasure this opportunity to expand the institute participation and provide greater contribution to the society.

Belt and Road Initiative is to mainly focus on infrastructure investment, construction materials, railway, highway, airport construction, port and water conservation project, automobile, real estate, power grid, iron and steel. The advantage of network effect from the railway construction is quite huge. The city will play an important role and benefit from it. The policy will redound to a better future for Hong Kong.

Besides Hong Kong has a key role to play in the Bay Area's development as a center for finance and professional services. Hong Kong's services and technology strengths key to Bay Area co-operation.

Designed to harness the strengths of China's Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macau Bay Area (Bay Area), this strategic plan will foster the development of Hong Kong, Macau and nine cities in China's Guangdong province into a mega-city cluster. Drawing on each area's unique attributes, the heart of this plan is for cities in the Bay Area to develop and "go global" in a collaborative manner. This can surly make the construction fields to a new milestones.

The above two distinctive strategies are matched to our theme of the event will be "Let's collaborate to create more opportunities. Let's strive for a brighter future" (同心、同力 - 創前路,互動、互勉 - 創先機).

Thereby, I would like to represent HKICW to welcome the 2017-2019 Councils members with expression of gratitude, meanwhile, I also thank every Honorable Fellow, Members and Advisors to continue providing professional advice to the institute, I also hope members can fully support and work with us with full condensate and let the institute be more recognized. Our other target is to dedicate to the development of young members and promote new young force to the industry. Trending to the future, HKICW will continue working with the industry, other institution, and government authorities and keep close communication and promote sustainable development of the industry.

I wish you all good health and good work in the coming year of Dog.

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