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The Outstanding BRE Alumni Award 傑出理大建築及房地產學系校友選舉

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Message



As one of PolyU's earliest departments, established in 1937, the Department of Building and Real Estate (BRE) and its predecessors – the Building Department, the Department of Building, Surveying and Structural Engineering, and the Department of Building and Surveying - have been major providers of professional education for the construction and real estate industry in Hong Kong as well as in the region.

I am glad to note that our BRE alumni from different periods have together formed a cornerstone of the construction and real estate community. Many of them in their professional roles, including as building engineers, project managers, property managers and surveyors, have made very significant contributions to the development of Hong Kong and other major cities in the Chinese mainland. It was therefore fitting that BRE launched the "Outstanding BRE Alumni Award" in 2010 to recognize its graduates for their remarkable achievements.

This year, the accolades go to Mr Cheung Hau-wai and Sr Mike Wong Chik-wing, graduates of the 1968 and 1977 cohorts respectively. Both of them have accomplished much in their professions and made significant contributions to society as well as to their alma mater. They are indeed shining examples for our young BRE graduates as well as all PolyU students.

Taking this opportunity, I would like to congratulate Mr Cheung and Sr Wong on their well-deserved honours. I also wish to extend my sincere appreciation to the Selection Panel for their dedication in the judging process.

Timothy W. Tong, Ph.D.

President

The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

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Since we sowed our seeds in 1937, we have become internationally recognized as a leader in providing a wide range of undergraduate and postgraduate programmes that nurture all-rounded graduates for the building and real estate industry for nearly 80 years. I am so proud that a multitude of our alumni demonstrated their remarkable perseverance, professionalism, innovation, dedication and accomplishments throughout the years.

To give public recognition and tribute to our outstanding alumni for their illustrious professional achievements and significant contributions to PolyU as well as the community, since 2010, we have been launching 'Outstanding BRE Alumni Award' biennially.

This year, it gives us great pleasure to present the 'Outstanding BRE Alumni Award' to our two brilliant alumni, Mr. Cheung Hau Wai, SBS and Sr Mike Wong Chik Wing, JP for their unwavering devotion. I wish to congratulate both awardees on their well-deserved honour.

Stepping in PolyU's 80th Anniversary shortly, I wish we will reach new heights with the concerted effort of both awardees and other BRE alumni.

Ir Professor Albert P. C. Chan, PhD

Head of Department of Building and Real Estate

Associate Director of Research Institute for Sustainable Urban Development

Chair Professor of Construction Engineering and Management

The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Background

Introduction

Established in the 1930s, as part of the ongoing commitment, the Department of Building and Real Estate (BRE) has been offering a selection of comprehensive academic programmes to nurture preferred graduates for the construction industry. Our alumni have excelled in their professions in the region and beyond. The Outstanding BRE Alumni Award aims to give public recognition to outstanding graduates of the Department for their distinguished accomplishments in their professions and staunch contributions to the community.

Nominations

The nominee must be a bona fide graduate who has successfully completed regular full-time or part-time programmes offered by BRE (forerunners: 'Building Department', 'Department of Building, Surveying and Structural Engineering' & 'Department of Building and Surveying') which lead to academic awards offered by the Department.

Selection Criteria

The major selection criteria include the nominee's:

- 1. Personal achievements / accomplishments in his / her profession;
- 2. Contribution to the community in which he / she lives;
- 3. Contribution to the built environment development; and
- 4. Support to PolyU / BRE and the alumni development.

Result Announcement

The result was publicly announced in October 2016.

Award Presentation Ceremony

The Award Presentation Ceremony is held at the Faculty Congregation on 1 November 2016.

Celebratory Dinner

The Celebratory Dinner is held in November 2016.



Mr. CHEUNG Hau Wai, SBS Higher Diploma in Building Surveying and Technology (Year of Award: 1968) Hong Kong Technical College

Mr. Cheung Hau Wai studied Building Surveying and Technology in the then Hong Kong Technical College (currently, the Hong Kong Polytechnic University) from 1965 to 1968 and was awarded a Higher Diploma in Building Surveying and Technology.

He still remembers well the advice he received from his Section Head on the first day of his study in the Surveying Section in the College. "There will be plenty of practical bricklaying, plumbing, woodwork and plastering work in the workshop and if one does not wish to get his or her hands dirty, one should not continue with the study". He of course pressed on, but the workshop laid the very foundation for any person wishing to join the construction industry.

After graduation from the Hong Kong Technical College, Mr. Cheung joined the Hong Kong Government in 1968, and continued his part time study and was elected a Member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors in 1970. He is also a Fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors.

In his professional career, he was posted to the then Buildings Ordinance Office, Architectural Office, Building Development Department and the Buildings Department. He took part in the Kotewall Road landslide and other natural disaster remedial operations and investigations to prevent

re-occurrence. In the process, he fully experienced and still wishes to advocate the need for different disciplines of the building professions (structural, civil, fire, building services, surveying, etc.) to work together to tackle issues related to the built environment.

Mr. Cheung retired from the Government as Director of Buildings in 2009, and was award the Silver Bauhinia Star.

After retirement, Mr. Cheung continues to serve the building industry through his appointment as a Member of the Construction Industry Council (CIC), which he also served as the Chairman of the Site Safety Committee. He led the review of the nature and causes of safety incidents on construction sites. He also co-ordinated the issuance of CIC's Safety Guidelines and Alerts to address many of the safety issues and to protect the safety of construction workers, whose aspiration he knows well from the days of bricklaying, plumbing, plastering and wood work in the workshops of the Hong Kong Technical College.

The CIC Safety Committee also took part in organizing Construction Site Safety Week, now an annual event to promote and engage stakeholders and workers on site safety.

On voluntary charitable work, Mr. Cheung joined the professional team led by Sr Professor Francis Lau Shiu Kwan in organizing and providing building professional support for the reconstruction of essential facilities and buildings in the country side of Sichuan, which were damaged by the 2008 earthquake.

Mr. Cheung is also a Member of the Town Planning Board. Mr. Cheung was appointed Chairman of the Hong Kong Green Building Council on 1 January 2016. Apart from implementing Hong Kong's own green building rating system 'BEAM Plus', the Council is now looking into how it may facilitate Hong Kong in meeting the target set by COP21 in Paris in late 2015. Mr. Cheung is pleased and grateful to have another opportunity to work with different disciplines of building professions and environment experts in promoting sustainable building development and green living lifestyle in the community.



Sr Mike WONG Chik Wing, JP

MSc in International Real Estate (with Distinction) (Year of Award: 2003)
The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Higher Diploma in Surveying (with Distinction) (Year of Award: 1977)
The Hong Kong Polytechnic

Sr Mike Wong graduated from the Hong Kong Polytechnic with a Higher Diploma in Surveying with Distinction in 1977. He is a Member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS), a Fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors (HKIS), a Registered Professional Surveyor, and an Authorized Person (AP). He was awarded as Distinguished Building Surveyor by HKIS. With his love for knowledge and continuous pursuit of academic excellence, Sr Wong went back to the Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PolyU) in 2002 and completed a master's degree in International Real Estate with Distinction. He is an Adjunct Professor in the Department of Building and Real Estate (BRE) of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University and an Honorary Professor of the Department of Real Estate and Construction of the University of Hong Kong. He is also a Core External Member of the Network for New Institutional Urban Studies, a network supported by the Ronald Coase (a Nobel Prize laureate economist) Center for Property Rights Research.

Sr Wong joined Sun Hung Kai Properties (SHKP) in 1981 after four years' training as a Building Surveyor in the Government. Since then, he has been devoting himself to project planning and management matters of SHKP for more than 35 years. Sr Wong, with his teams, has successfully delivered hundreds of projects in Hong Kong, Mainland China, and overseas in a wide range including residences, hotels, shopping centres, and offices. The landmark

projects include International Commerce Centre (ICC) and International Finance Centre (IFC), currently the tallest building in Hong Kong. Other notable property developments led by Sr Wong include Dynasty Court, Millennium City, Ma Wan Development, and Shanghai International Finance Centre. He has been an Executive Director of SHKP, the leading market player in Hong Kong, for two decades since 1996. He has been a Deputy Managing Director of the company since July 2012.

Over the years, Sr Wong has been devotedly contributing to the real estate industry and the Hong Kong community. To honour the outstanding achievements of Sr Wong, the Government appointed him as 'Justice of the Peace' in 2009. He is a Member of the Hong Kong Housing Society and a Council Member of the Construction Industry Council. He also served as a Member of Bedspace Apartments Appeal Board, Buildings Appeal Tribunal Panel, Complaints Committee and Building Committee of Hong Kong Housing Authority, and Building Sub-Committee of Land and Building Advisory Committee.

Notwithstanding his commitment to his organization and the society, Sr Wong has been giving selfless support to his alma mater. Since 2014, Sr Wong set up 'Prof. Mike Wong Real Estate Development Scholarship' and 'Prof. Mike Wong Real Estate Marketing Scholarship' to offer financial support to student scholarships and research work of BRE. He also served as a Member of BRE Advisory Committee and a Mentor of BRE, giving talks, seminars, advice, and mentorship to BRE students.

Sr Wong completed his first full Marathon in London in 2015 at the age of 59.

BRE Research Centres and Laboratories

 Research Centre for Construction and **Real Estate Economics** (research on Land & Construction Economics, Safety, Real Estate and Housing, etc.)





 Research Centre for Construction Innovation (research on Construction I.T., Project Management, Contracting & Regulatory Innovations, etc.)

• Ng Wing Hong Laboratory for Sustainable City (aims to provide information technology infrastructure for examining sustainable development)





• Construction Virtual Prototyping Laboratory (aims to improve efficiency and accuracy of construction planning by the latest virtual prototyping technologies)

• Building Technology Laboratory (aims to provide teaching on building technological techniques for building diagnosis and inspection)



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