

## Visit by Mr. David Foster, Director of Croucher Foundation

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Mr. David Foster, Director of Croucher Foundation visited the CNERC on 26 January 2018.

Prof. K.F. Chung introduced to him background of the CNERC, and its primary objectives on supporting infrastructure development of Hong Kong. Moreover, Prof. Chung presented recent developments and major research projects of the CNERC, including:

1. *Development of Hong Kong Construction Industry and China Steel Construction Industry, and their synergy in overseas construction projects,*
2. *Equivalent steel materials design of Chinese steel for overseas construction projects,*
3. *Effective use of high performance steel materials: Q690 ~ Q960, and*
4. *Innovative application of structural engineering to construction.*

Mr. Foster commented on the work of the CNERC as he had a general interest on engineering as well as on steel structures. Mr. Foster was very interested to explore opportunities to support further development of the work of the CNERC.

The Croucher Foundation is an independent private foundation established by the late Noel Croucher in 1979 to promote the standard of the natural sciences, technology and medicine in Hong Kong.

The work of the Foundation is organized into five broad areas:

- scholarships and fellowships for promising young Hong Kong scientists and medical doctors to pursue research overseas;
- research fellowships to enable scientists in Hong Kong to pursue their intellectual inclinations, and to engage in bold new work;
- conferences, workshops and collaborative research to facilitate the exchange of ideas between Hong Kong scientists and their counterparts overseas;
- demonstration lectures to promote a wider understanding of science among Hong Kong school students and undergraduate students; and
- support for any undergraduate student in Hong Kong experiencing sudden financial difficulty.



Prof. K.F. Chung and Mr. David Foster



Mr. Foster visited the Structural Engineering Research Laboratory at PolyU  
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