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**The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors (HKIS) Announces
Result on “Survey on Demand and Supply of
Surveying Professionals”**

**Survey Findings: Over 70% of surveying firms have
experienced a shortage of surveying professionals**

The online survey was conducted by HKIS from March to May 2013 on the demand and supply of surveying professionals. Responses were received from 31 surveying firms, which employed over 800 members of the HKIS. The results are summarized as follows:

- The results reveal that 72% of surveying firms have experienced a shortage of surveying professionals over the past six months. Furthermore, 72% of the respondents expect an increase in the company’s workload over the next six months.
- The survey result also indicates that 75% of surveying firms expect an increase in employment, particularly in the assistant surveyor position.

Sr Stephen Lai, President of the HKIS commented on the survey, “Given the government’s recent land and housing policy, it is expected that more construction works will be conducted in the coming years and thus a huge amount of surveying professionals will be required. The prospect for professional surveyors is optimistic.”

“The revitalization of industrial buildings, mandatory building/window inspection, urban renewal, and infrastructural projects will lead to the growth of the surveying profession. Currently the University of Hong Kong, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, and the City University of Hong Kong offer surveying courses to cultivate new blood. Throughout these years, nurturing and encouraging youngsters to join the surveying profession has always been one of our key objectives of the Institutes. The HKIS will continue to encourage and attract more potential young professionals to join the surveying profession.” Sr Lai added.

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About the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors

Established in 1984, The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors is the only professional organization representing the surveying profession in Hong Kong. As of March 2013, the number of members reached 8,510, of which 5,745 were corporate members. The Institute's work includes setting standards for professional services and performance, establishing codes of ethics, determining requirements for admission as professional surveyors, and encouraging members to upgrade skills through continuing professional development.

The Institute has an important consultative role in government policy making and on issues affecting the profession. We have advised the Government on issues such as unauthorized building works, building safety campaign, problems of property management, town planning and development strategies, construction quality and housing problems. We are working on amendments to standard forms of building contract and have issued guidance notes on floor area measurement methods.

For more details, please refer to HKIS website: <http://www.hkis.org.hk>

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