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The Four Professional Institutes dialogue with Chief Executive Candidates Address the Architectural, Surveying and Planning Subsector's Concerns

The Hong Kong Institute of Architects (HKIA), The Hong Kong Institute of Landscape Architects (HKILA), The Hong Kong Institute of Planners (HKIP), The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors (HKIS), have organized a joint institute's forum for a dialogue with the Chief Executive Candidates (CE Candidates) today. The forum aims to facilitate the four professional institutes' members in the Architectural, Surveying and Planning Subsectors for a better understanding of the policy platforms and/ or policy stands and principles of the CE Candidates.

The forum has received a very positive response from the four professional institutes' members. **Mr Dominic Lam, HKIA President**, said, "It is encouraging to receive a positive response from the members of four professional institutes. It shows that professionals in the planning, design, construction and real estate industry care about the development and future of our industry as well as our society."

Mr Evans Iu, HKILA President, supplemented, "The four professional institutes share the members' concerns, so we decided to hold a joint institute's forum to provide our members with an opportunity to understand the political platforms of each CE Candidates, and to express their opinions and views directly to the candidates."

Members have submitted questions to the forum. These have been summarized and translated into four set questions which were posted to the CE candidates at the forum. **HKIP President Dr Peter Cookson Smith**, who has been actively involved in formulating the set questions, said, "The questions received from the members are of high quality covering matters related to the planning, design, environmental and real estate industry".

Ms Serena Lau, HKIS President, added, "The set questions address the industry's key concerns on housing demand, land supply, quality of urban environment and urban renewal as well as infrastructure development. In order to allow members from the four professional institutes having a direct dialogue with the CE Candidates, the forum has also reserved time for members to pose questions from the floor."



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About The Hong Kong Institute of Architects

On 3rd September, 1956, 27 architects gathered and formed a Society “for the general advancement of Civil Architecture and for promoting and facilitating the acquirement of the knowledge of the various Arts and Sciences.” Today, The Hong Kong Institute of Architects has around 150 Fellows, more than 2500 Members and over 500 Associates and Graduate Members.

The two main purposes of the Institute are to continue to raise both the standard of architecture in Hong Kong and the standard of professional services offered by its members. In addition to the responsibilities of architects as professionals under law, members of the Institute are governed by a Code of Professional Conduct. The Institute also serves the public by applying the collective expertise of its members in advisory role to government and to the building industry. In the field of education and professional qualification, the Institute works closely with universities to offers courses and counsel in professional practice and practical experience in architecture, and to hold professional examination for candidates aspiring to the professional qualification of Architect. In recent years, the Institute takes Hong Kong to the fore in international circles through its active participation in the International Union of Architects (UIA), the Commonwealth Association of Architects (CAA), and the Architects Regional Council of Asia (ARCASIA).

For more details, please visit HKIA website: <http://www.hkia.net>

About The Hong Kong Institute of Landscape Architects

The Hong Kong Institute of Landscape Architects was found in 1988. The main objective of the Institute is to promote the highest standard in the arts and sciences of landscape architecture and their management throughout Hong Kong, Mainland China, and other parts of the world. Its membership comprises government officers, academics, practitioners in private consultant firms, developers, contractors, and affiliate members from the fields of landscape sciences, landscape management and the contracting industries. The Institute is also a member of the International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA) founded in 1948 by national member Institutes from around the world.

For further information, please visit our website: <http://www.hkila.com>

About The Hong Kong Institute of Planners

The Hong Kong Institute of Planners (HKIP) was inaugurated in 1979. Its objectives are to promote a high quality of town planning and environment in Hong Kong; to act in the best interests of the community, and to safeguard the interests of the planning profession. The HKIP seeks to promote public awareness of the role of town planning in the community, and to promote education and research in town planning. It therefore monitors public policies involving planning and development related issues, facilitates and participates in relevant community discussions, issues comments on public consultation documents, and prepares position papers on important topics.

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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 January 2012, the number of members reached 8,157, of which 5,465 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 the HKIS website: <http://www.hkis.org.hk>

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