

The Chapter successfully organized an annual "The Best Final-Year Dissertation Competition" for the year-3 undergraduate and postgraduate students. Prof. Geoffrey Shen and Prof. Eddie Hui were the referees of the dissertation competition. An innovation award was added to promote the innovative research by the students of BRE department. Five students won the competition as follows:

- (1) Undergraduate Division:
Distinction Award (1 winner): LAU Siu Hong 03077030D
Merit Award (2 winners): LI Ka Ming 04945441D
 SHUM Ka Ming 03291234D
Innovation Award (1 winner): SHUM Ka Ming 03291234D
- (2) Postgraduate Division:
Distinction Award (1 winner): WONG Ming Wah 01901739R
Merit Award (1 winner): YU Tui Wan 02902040R
Innovation Award (1 winner): YU Tui Wan 02902040R
Congratulations to all the awarded winners!



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Free Membership

Target Applicants
 All students and research staff of the Department of Building & Real Estate, The HK PolyU are welcome to join.

Membership Fee
 The membership is free for all applicants for the year 2007.

Further Information
 For further information about the Chapter, please visit our website at <http://cibspirit.bre.polyu.edu.hk>.

Contact
 Further enquiries on membership application can be directed to Ms. Tang Li Yaning (Membership Coordinator)
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Application Form

Please detach the form, fill and give it to one of our committee members or fax it to 2764 5131 (Attn.: Ms. Tang Li Yaning).

Name: _____ HKPolyU Student ID / Staff No.: _____
 Course-Yr: _____ Contact No.: _____
 E-mail: _____ Date: _____

Are you willing to assist in organising activities of The HK PolyU Student Chapter of CIB? Yes No

Professor Wong is Head of the Department of Building and Real Estate, and Director of the Research Centre for Construction and Real Estate Economics, the Hong Kong Polytechnic University. His research covers the fields of construction safety management and affordable housing development. Professor Wong has accumulated rich experiences in research, teaching and administration. As departmental representative for CIB, Professor Wong paid great attention to the development of the HKPolyU Student Chapter of CIB. He guided the Chapter by serving the Chapter as an Honorary Advisor and gave support to the various activities organized by the Chapter.



Professor Francis K.W. Wong

2006 Annual General Meeting was held on 24 February 2006. In this ceremony, Professor Francis W. K. Wong, Professor Geoffrey Q. P. Shen, and Dr. Daniel W. M. Chan were invited as Honorary Advisors of the Chapter. James, Johnny, Ann and Yan Liu were awarded Honorary Member Certificates. 2006 committee members were finally confirmed in the ceremony.

The Chapter held the 5th Inauguration Ceremony on 24 April 2006. Professor Geoffrey Q. P. Shen, Associate Head of BRE Department was invited to share his research experience. He gave a presentation entitled "How to Write a Good Proposal". More than 20 students attended the meeting and enjoyed the interesting presentation.

Speaker: Prof. Geoffrey Q. P. Shen

Mr. Thomas G. B. Lin (President) and Mr. Timmy S. C. Fan (Vice-president) successfully visited the CIB Student Chapters of four universities in the UK including the University of Brighton, Reading University, Salford University and Glasgow Caledonian University from September to November 2006. Issues such as experience for organising the chapters, opportunities for collaboration works and full use of the SPIRIT (Students' Portal for Ideas and Research Information Transfer) were discussed during the exchange visits.

Our 2006 committee continued to develop the Chapter in an international way. Mr. Tim T. Huang and Mr. Landee K.H. Ye visited the University of Seoul, Korea, and introduced the Chapter to Korean and Japanese friends.

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It is my great honour to serve the HKPolyU Student Chapter of CIB and witness her development and achievements in the past year. With the devoted efforts of the committee members and the complete supports from the Department of BRE, the Chapter has performed a significant role in enhancing the research culture among students in our department and exchanging the research experience with other student chapters.

In the past year, the Chapter has organised various activities for both undergraduate and postgraduate students. The research gatherings provide opportunities for the research students to disseminate their research findings and practice their presentation skills. An innovative prize has been added to the Best Final-Year Dissertation Competition to promote the innovation in our research. The visit to the construction site of Tsing Kwan O Sports Ground is a valuable experience to link the study with real-life projects. Other activities such as workshops and hiking in Ngang Ping have also been successfully conducted.

Internationally, the Chapter has performed an active role in communicating with other student chapters and young researchers in the last year. The list of the universities which we have communicated includes the University of Brighton, Reading University, Salford University, Glasgow Caledonian University, the University of Seoul, Osaka University and Shenzhen University. Different forms of communication such as exchange visit, workshop, research seminar and collaborative proposal have been conducted. These activities ensured the Chapter an influential status among the young researcher community in the construction industry.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to all Committee Members for their dedication of time and energy for the Chapter. I especially acknowledge with gratitude the generous support from our Honorary Advisors, Professor Francis Wong, Professor Geoffrey Shen and Dr. Daniel Chan. Special thanks are also due to Mr. Jack Chung and Mr. Hongling Guo for arranging the site visit. I wish to extend my thanks to all members for participating and supporting our activities and sincerely request your continuous support of the Chapter.

I wish the coming Committees every success in the future and I believe that the Chapter will be more prosperous with your devotion. Wish you all the best for the year 2007.

Thomas G.B. Lin
 President
 The HK PolyU Student Chapter of CIB



The International Council for Research and Innovation in Building and Construction (CIB) is an international research council which provides a global network for international exchange and cooperation in research and innovation in building and construction in support of an improved building process and of improved performance of the built environment. The Department of Building & Real Estate (BRE) of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (HKPolyU) has been registered as an Associate Member of CIB and there is a need to establish a research community for students - The HKPolyU Student Chapter of CIB (The Chapter).

The Chapter was set up in 2002 to develop the desire, on the part of students, to become more involved with the international construction research community. The Chapter is designed to provide a forum for sharing and discussing research-related issues in construction management and technology. It is also intended to bring together both the undergraduate and postgraduate students to develop research interests and undertake meaningful exchanges in the global research community.

More information about the Chapter can be accessed through <http://cibspirit.bre.polyu.edu.hk/chapters/polyu/>.



CIB W89 Building Education and Research (BEAR) Conference was successfully held on 10-13 April 2006, Hong Kong and was hosted by the Research Centre for Construction and Real Estate Economics and Research Centre for Construction Innovation under the Department of BRE. The Chapter played an important role in co-organising and supporting the conference.



SPSS Workshop Participants



Speaker: Dr. Daniel W. M. Chan

In November 2006, the Chapter organized a workshop entitled "SPSS in Practice", aiming to help students to conduct data analysis and management by SPSS. Dr. Daniel W. M. Chan, Assistant Professor of the Department of Building and Real Estate, the Hong Kong Polytechnic University, hosted the workshop.

A series of regular research gatherings were held in 2006. Dr. Ann Yu, an honorary member of the Chapter, was invited to present her PhD research findings concerning "Value Management for Systematic Identify Precise Representative of Client Requirement in the Briefing Process" on 26 July 2006.



Speaker: Ms. Yu Ti Wan, Ann

The Chapter held an inter-university seminar with research students from Shenzhen University China. Professor Geoffrey Q. P. Shen, Professor L. Y. Shen, and Dr. Jane J. L. Hao attended the seminar to support this event. More than 30 research students from both universities participated in the seminar.



Professors and Speakers



Key members of the seminar

In order to enhance the communication among members, the Chapter organized a recreational activity on 3 February 2007. The activity was conducted at Ngong Ping 360, which is destined to be one of Hong Kong's 'must-do' attractions. All the participants enjoyed the cable trip and the hiking around the Big Buddha.



Activity Participants



Project Site Visits

The Chapter conducted a site visit for those students interested in on-site project management on 10 Feb 2007. The project was Tsing Kwan O Sports Ground, one of main sports ground for East Asia Game 2008. The site visit provided opportunities for the participants to obtain first hand experience about on-site project management.