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The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors
“Create Your District” Competition Award Presentation Ceremony
Enriching students’ understanding of the role surveyors play and district development

(Hong Kong) 24 November 2017 – The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors (HKIS) held an award presentation ceremony for its "Create Your District" Competition 2017 today. Guest of Honour **Ir Liu Chun-san, JP, Under Secretary for Development of the Hong Kong SAR Government** was accompanied by **Sr Thomas Ho, President, HKIS; Sr Dr Lesly Lam, Vice-President, HKIS; and Mr Yan Wai-kiu Mickey, Guest Juror, Outstanding Young Persons of the World Honoree**. Together, they presented the prizes to the winning teams.

The HKIS inaugurated “Create Your District” Competition in 2017 to encourage students to demonstrate their creativity by designing an ideal community while considering governmental policies and environmental management. The Competition also aims to promote the surveying industry by demonstrating its role in city development to younger generations.

This year, over 130 students from 26 secondary schools entered the competition. The submitted proposals and models strongly reflected the important contributions of surveyors towards the sustainable development of this city and students’ understanding of sustainable development in the community.

“To build a new community, how to balance development and conservation with a view to developing a smart and low-carbon community for living, work, business, study, leisure and accessibility is a key issue,” said **Ir Liu Chun-san, JP, Under Secretary for Development of the Hong Kong SAR Government**. “I would like to thank the HKIS for organising this competition and arranging workshop and guided tours for the participants. They could observe the community circumstances directly and propose different options of sustainable development with innovative ideas.”

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“Surveying is a profession that is closely connected to the daily lives of all people. This year the HKIS specially launched the “Create Your District” Competition for the students,” said **Sr Thomas Ho, President, HKIS**. “From the launching ceremony in May, to the workshop and guided tour in August, I am happy to witness active participation of the students and so many in-depth interactions among them and surveyors during the competition. This allows the students to understand both the development cycle of a district with Sham Shui Po as an example, as well as have a deeper appreciation for the contribution and role of the surveying industry to Hong Kong’s development. A public guided tour was also arranged in November 2017. Participants were led by surveyors to tour around Sham Shui Po district, so as to understand the roles of surveyors in city development.”

“It is my honour to be the guest juror of this competition. I have met many outstanding student teams at the assessment in November. Their proposals are very creative and well-presented.” Said **Mr Yan Wai-kiu Mickey, Guest Juror, Outstanding Young Persons of the World Honoree**. “I especially appreciate their dedication towards preserving the community's historical and cultural traditions; adding elements of helping the community in economic development, environmental protection and sustainable development will help create an ideal and harmonious community.”

The eight awards of "Create Your District" Competition 2017 go to the following awardees:

First Place

School: Shun Tak Fraternal Association Leung Kau Kui College

Group Members: Chan Kin Ho, Chen Ka Yui, Cheung Min Hong, Lam Yi Lok Enoch and Wong Wing Ho Anson



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Second Place

School: Shun Tak Fraternal Association Leung Kau Kui College

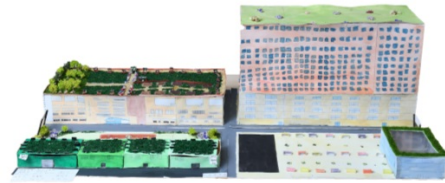
Group Members: Chan Pan Lam, Cheung Ka Ka, Hung Heung Lok, Kwan Ming Fai, Wong Ka Sin and Wu Tsz Wun



Third Place

School: PLK Tong Nai Kan Junior Secondary College

Group Members: Chan Oi Ying, Cheung Sum Bo, Lin Ka Yuet, Poon Kam Wah Fiona, Tze Pak Yu and Yeung Ka Wai



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<p><u>Merits</u></p> <p>School: Pui Kiu College</p> <p>Group Members: Ma Ching Laam, Wong Hiu Man and Yong Chi Suen Ramsy</p>	
<p><u>Merits</u></p> <p>School: Our Lady's College</p> <p>Group Members: Leung Cheuk Lam, Mo Yuen Tung Joyce and Wan Tsz Yin</p>	
<p><u>Merits</u></p> <p>School: Shun Tak Fraternal Association Leung Kau Kui College</p> <p>Group Members: Chan Cheuk Lam, Chen Yan Tung, Wong Kwan Kiu and Wong Shao Zhen Sonia</p>	
<p><u>Best Presentation Award</u></p> <p>School: Po Leung Kuk Yao Ling Sun College</p> <p>Group Members: Ho Ho Fai, Kwan Chun Hong, Lee Man Ki, Lo Tsz Ki, Poon Hoi Tung and Tam Po Yan</p>	<p><u>Creativity Award</u></p> <p>School: Good Hope School</p> <p>Student Name: Stephanie Wong</p>

The first place of "Create Your District" Competition 2017 goes to the team: Chan Kin Ho, Chen Ka Yui, Cheung Min Hong, Lam Yi Lok Enoch and Wong Wing Ho Anson from Shun Tak Fraternal Association Leung Kau Kui College. The team recommends cultural preservation in Sham Shui Po, enhancing and improving the natural environment, suggesting the use of reusable energy and establishing food and cloth markets to preserve the traditional economic activities.

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The “Create Your District” Competition 2017 was launched on 25 May 2017. Different formats of submissions were accepted from Form 3 to Form 6 students to illustrate Sham Shui Po in an ideal state creatively. Workshops and guided tours were organised by the HKIS in August, where students were guided by surveyors to visit modern buildings and conserved monuments, such as Apliu Street, Sham Shui Po Police Station, Mei Ho House and Golden Computer Arcade in Sham Shui Po. Students were given an opportunity to appreciate the importance of Hong Kong’s sustainable development and learn more about surveyors’ scope of work, including building revitalisation and management. The winning entries will be displayed on the event website for public viewing. More details of the public exhibition will be announced soon.

For more details, please visit the event website at

<http://www.hkis-createyourdistrict.com/>

Download event photos at:

http://bdcshk.com/client/HKIS/20171124_HKIS_AwardPresentation_EventPhotos.zip

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About the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors

Established in 1984, The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors is the only surveying professional body incorporated by ordinance in Hong Kong. As of 13 October 2017, the number of members reached 9,726, of which 6,399 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, access and award the professional qualification, and advance members’ professional knowledge, technical and services standards 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 unauthorised building works, building safety campaign, problems of property management, town planning and development strategies, construction quality and

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housing problems. We are working on amendments to standard forms of building contract and have issued guidance notes on floor area measurement methods.

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