Seminar on
Building Operation and Maintenance Manpower in Hong Kong

**Date**: 23 June 2015 (Tuesday)
**Venue**: Room Z209, Block Z, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
**Time**: 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. (reception with refreshments starts at 6:30 p.m.)

**Programme Highlights**

In 2014, the Building Services Operation and Maintenance Executives Society (BSOMES) took an initiative to provide financial support for a research project, which is the first of its kind aiming to reveal the state of building operation and maintenance (O&M) manpower in Hong Kong. In collaboration with the Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PolyU) and with the support of 20 building-related organizations, the project, entitled “A Study on the Building Operation and Maintenance Manpower in Hong Kong”, has been completed recently. Altogether 75 organizations and over 400 individuals, who are building O&M stakeholders, participated in two surveys under the project. Presented in this seminar are the key findings of the project, such as number of persons engaged for building O&M works, number of job vacancies, expected changes in manpower, levels of manpower demand and supply, levels of importance and knowledge/skills of various trades of O&M works, and suggestions for improving the existing O&M manpower. Subsequent to the presentation will be a session for exchange of opinions as well as questions and answers.

**Honorable Speaker**

Ir Dr Joseph H.K. Lai  BEng(Hons), MSc, PhD, CEng, RPE, FBSOMES, FCIBSE, MHKIE, PFM, BEAM Pro

Dr Lai possesses a first-class honours degree in building services engineering, a master degree in environmental management and a PhD in facilities management. As an Associate Professor in the Department of Building Services Engineering of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Dr Lai is the Programme Leader of MSc in Facility Management. Besides teaching, Dr Lai has widely published his research work; he is a Co-Editor of the international journal “Facilities” and a Regional Editor of another journal - “Smart and Sustainable Built Environment”. Dr Lai has been active in delivering training courses and consultancy studies and he has served on the committees of many professional institutions and government departments. He has also chaired a number of programme validation exercises and served as external examiner and accreditation panel member for various academic programmes.

**Media**

Cantonese supplemented with English terminology

**Fee**

Free of charge

**CPD certificate**

1.5-hour CPD Certificate to be issued by BSOMES
Registration and enquiry

For registration, please complete the Registration Form in the following "On Line Registration Link". The maximum number of participants is 490. Priority will be given to members of the co-organizers and supporting organizations. The application deadline is 9 June 2015 (Tuesday). Confirmation emails will be issued to successful applicants by 16 June 2015 (Tuesday) and attendees of the event have to present such emails for verification before entering the venue. Applicants who have not received a confirmation email may regard their application as unsuccessful. A list of successful applicants will be posted on BSOMES’s website: http://www.bsomes.org.hk.

For enquiry, please contact Ir Marcus Tang at 9229 3273 or email to marcustangbsomes@gmail.com.

Note: If typhoon signal no. 8 or black rainstorm signal is in force and still hoisted after 5:00 p.m. on 23 June 2015, the seminar would be cancelled without further arrangement or notification.

Supporting Organizations of the study

American Society Heating, Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning Engineers - Hong Kong Chapter
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Chartered Institute of Housing Asia Pacific Branch
The Chartered Institute of Plumbing and Heating Engineering - Hong Kong Branch
Electrical and Mechanical Services Department
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Hong Kong Association of Energy Engineers
The Hong Kong Association of Property Management Companies
The Hong Kong Federation of Electrical and Mechanical Contractors Limited
Hong Kong Green Building Council Limited
The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers – Building Services Division
The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers - Control, Automation & Instrumentation Division
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