

Here is the footage from “Site Safety Seminar for Capital Works New Works Contracts”, which was held on April 8, 2014

The speaker is

Mrs Irene CHENG, Assistant Director (Development & Procurement) from the Housing Department

She is now delivering a welcoming address

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Fellows of the industry, guests and colleagues, welcome.

Thank you for joining the seminar and sharing with us your thoughts of site safety today despite the heavy rain.

I hereby extend our appreciation for the collaboration of Labour Department and Occupational Safety and Health Council, and for guest speaks and all participants. Your contribution and presence make the seminar a successful one.

Versions HASAS 1.5 and HALENSAS 1.0 of Hong Kong Housing Authority and our SSIP has been launched for more than one year. How is the result? We are happy to have Mr. Tsui and Mr. Cheung from Occupational Safety and Health Council to show us the analysis of past results, including findings of the audits and inspections in the fourth quarter of 2013 and in the first quarter of 2014.

Through the findings, we hope you will learn each other’s practice. We also hope there will not be poor practice on sites. Korean culture is popular lately. I wonder if this is a reason why Occupational Safety and Health Council led a Study Tour to Korea to learn about their safety of infrastructural projects. Our colleagues joined it as well. Thanks Mr. Tsui from Occupational Safety and Health Council for sharing the site safety measures in Korea. I hope it will inspire our awareness of site safety and the adoption of relevant safety measures to enhance site safety in Hong Kong.

I believe you must remember a serious industrial accident happened in Mid-levels two weeks ago. The accident took away two workers’ lives. We are

aware that such accidents are related to working at height. Last year, two thirds of deaths in accidents were direct results of fall of person from height.

Today we have invited Mr. Tam from Labour Department to go over regulations of works at height and relevant precautions. Recently, I have noticed that many contractors, in order to enhance efficiency of construction management, have used smart phone or mobile communication device to issue information to a colleague. Today we are also happy to have invited an information technology company to introduce how to enhance site safety management with mobile applications. Thank you Mr. Chan.

Facing the challenges in construction industry, we hope each fellow can work together to boost site safety in the industry. Friends who have come are encouraged to share the knowledge with your colleagues at work and support safety operations. Lastly, I wish you all the success and safety at work and happiness in life. Thank you!