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## Shipping & Maritime News

## Hong Kong Maritime Strategic Forum

The Hong Kong Port and Maritime Board (PMB), the Shipping and Transport Logistics Foundation and the Creative Initiatives Foundation held a Maritime Strategic Forum on 1 February 2002 to bring all sectors in the maritime industry together, to pool their expertise as a community in charter the way forward for consolidating and securing Hong Kong as the international maritime center (IMC) with objectives:

- To enhance awareness of the key decision-makers of the importance of the maritime industry to Hong Kong's overall economy
- Express the maritime community's views on what can be done to achieve a long term sustainable growth for the maritime sector

More than 50 industry experts including ship owning/operation, ship management, shipping lines, ship surveying, salvage and towage, legal service, marine insurance, shipping finance, ship broking, classification, port services, and representatives from trade associations and government agencies attended the Forum.

Using examples of international best practice, the Forum's participants shared their experience and discussed what needs to be done to promote the growth of the industry in Hong Kong.

The maritime community urges Government to pay more attention to the economic significance of the maritime sector and the urgent need to take some significant actions to sustain the industry's competitiveness. The maritime community also shares the vision for Hong Kong To be the Pre-eminent International Maritime Centre in Asia.

Achieving the shared vision means position Hong Kong as:

- A vibrant and entrepreneurial maritime community
- The preferred base for shipowners and cargo decision makers to set up their operations and decision making bodies
- A one stop maritime service center in Asia for shipowners and cargo decision makers to source capital, obtain quality shipping related services and value added information

 The international maritime service center that has a world class highly efficient port integrated with the Pearl River delta

Six (6) common principles have been developed to guide future planning and actions for fulfilling the shared vision.

- Strengthen public and private sectors collaboration to consolidate and sustain Hong Kong's position as an IMC.
- Increase Hong Kong's attractiveness to be used as a base for international maritime enterprises to set up their decision-making bodies or operations.
- 3. Introduce cluster specific measures, namely in the sectors of shipping finance, marine insurance, value added information provision, legal service, arbitration and resolution dispute, to help increase and sustain the competitiveness of the sectors in the industry. Introduce measurement yardsticks so that progress can be monitored.
- Assure a continued supply of skill and experience required for driving the growth of the industry.
- Establish an appropriate institutional structure to facilitate industry development and growth.
- Continue to provide the systems, infrastructure and facilities
  to promote the development of a highly competitive port.
  Identify initiatives to create synergy between the port
  industry and other maritime related industries.

To follow-up the principles developed in this Forum, the PMB is planning to commission a Consultancy Study to Strengthen Hong Kong's Role as an IMC. The main objectives of the study are to formulate a competitive strategy and master plan to strengthen the position as an IMC and consider new initiatives required to achieve the status.

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## SHIP REPAIRS

## Technical Officer of IMO visits Hong Kong

Taking the opportunity of Mr. A. MAHAPATRA, Technical Officer of STCW Section in IMO on a private visit to Hong Kong, Marine Department of HKSAR hosted a buffet lunch cum harbour tour on board the Marine Department Launch "Tin Hau" on 25 March 2002 for interested ship owners, ship managers and learned societies to meet Mr. MAHAPATRA in a relaxing atmosphere to talk about the latest development of seafarers' training.

Ir Nelson YU, Vice-chairman of HKJB with other 20 participants including representatives from Shipowners' Association, Merchant Navy Officer's Guild, HK Shipowners, Seaman's Union, Ship Managers and Marine Surveyors attended the meeting. The "Tin Hau" departed HK Government Pier in

Sheung Wan at around 10:30 am and arrived Hei Ling Chau at 11:30 am for the buffet lunch.

During the tour, seafarers training, package offer for youngsters to consider sea-going as a life-time career choice or in a short to medium term sea time about 3 to 5 years with better working conditions at sea & quality of working life were discussed. Topics on female working on board ship and the ITF targeting on certificates issued by the "Flag of Convenience" were also aroused for exchange of ideas. Obviously, there are still many un-solved issues to be worked out to fulfill the gap in training needs

The harbour tour cum buffet lunch was perfectly arranged and the trip ended at around 1:00 pm.

\*\*\* Reported by Ir Nelson Yu \*\*\*



Ir Nelson Yu (3L), Vice-chairman of HKJB at the buffet lunch on board "Tin Hau"

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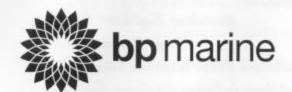
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## HKIMT & HKJB News

## **Technical Paper Meetings**

Two evening technical paper meetings were organized and held at the Welfare Club of Harbour Building during the first quarter of the year, entitled:

## Control of Exhaust Emissions From Ferry Vessels – A Case Study

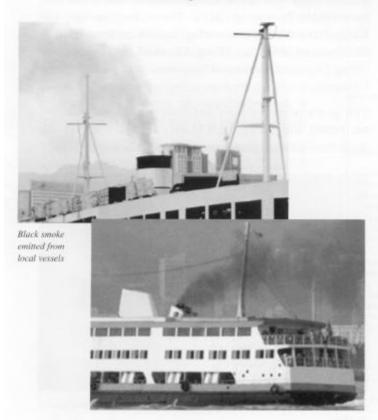
The paper was given on the 4 January 2002 by Mr. Jeremy S.F HO, Director of Operations of the Sealand Environ-Tech Co. Ltd. which is an engineering firm specialized in the technologies of emissions control, air and water quality control and waste management. The presentation addressed the increasing public concern about the air pollutions from engine exhaust and demand for a clearer environment by citizens in recent years that have given rise the government to impose tighter control on exhaust gas emissions from diesel engines.

Mr. HO gave many informative materials on various techniques such as exhaust gas re-circulation, water addition/fuel emulsions, soot trapping and selective catalytic reduction that were available for controlling or eliminating the pollutants from marine vessels plying the local waters which are largely fitted with diesel engines for propulsion and power generation.

Some 20 attendees were enlightened with how the revenue earning ferry operators could make use of the right technology to address the challenge of tightening controls on emissions from their vessels and were shared with experience of Mr. HO on the successful applications of catalytic purifying technology in reducing emission pollutants for a ferry vessel.

## How the productivity of Government Dockyard was enhanced in recent years?

Mr. P. F. CHUN, Assistant Director of Marine of the Hong Kong Marine Department gave a talk on 26 March 2002 his experience on how the productivity of Government Dockyard was enhanced in recent years. The Government Dockyard (GD) is part of the Hong Kong Marine Department responsible for the maintenance and repair of about 600 Government vessels. It has an in-house staff work force of about 200 and contractors workers of around 300 under an annual maintenance budget (material and labour) of around HK\$190 million.





Ir Alan Tsang (L). Chairman of HKJB, presents the souvenir to Ir P.F. Chun

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A consultancy study conducted in 1999 concluded that the GD would not be financially viable as a corporative entity competing with private sector. The main reason was the high operating costs of GD against a background of generally declining market conditions for the ship repair industry in Hong Kong. As a result of the study since 1999 the Marine Department took the initiatives to introduce a number of commercial practices and efficiency measures to enhance GD's productivity. Mr. CHUN shared his experience on how, within the constraints of being part of a government department, various commercial practices and efficiency measures employed in the GD to enhance its productivity. The plan to realise a saving by about 15% of its expenditure on maintenance work in five years was in place. Mr. CHUN provided some 25 attendees an insight on how the GD management, making proper use of the internal and external environments, had managed to motivate and change the mindset of its staff to face the new challenges. There was good Q&A session at the end mainly targeted at the cost saving methodology. Among the attendees were managers of local shipyards and staff from Government departments and bureaux.

## Spring Dinner cum Social Gathering

It was the first liaison social event that both Hong Kong Joint Branch and Hong Kong Institute of Marine Technology supported the "Spring Dinner cum Social Gathering" jointly organized by the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers of Mechanical, Marine, Naval Architects and Chemical (MMNC) Division with The American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) - HK Section and The Institution of Mechanical Engineers (IMechE). The event was held on 22 February 2002 in Chiuchow Garden Restaurant at Vicwood Plaza to celebrate the Chinese New year, Year of the Horse. Past and present Chairmen of MMNC Division were invited to say words of good wishes and encouragement, and to project forward their visions for coming years. Nearly 120 participated the event with many faces of young female engineers that were not in the seen in local marine engineers and naval architects circles. It had been a perfect occasion to meet people and professionals of related disciplines that many of our members often could not find such opportunity.



Committee Members of HKJB and HKIMT proposing a toast to the guests

## Maritime Student Prize - 2002

Three student prizes were awarded at the Annual General Meeting held on the 26 February 2002 to maritime/mechanical students with merits in their course. The recipients of this year were CHAN Tse-cheung (HD in Marine Engineering), YIP Ka-ho (HD in Marine Engineering) from Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education (Tsing Yi) and LEUNG Wai-hung (BEng Degree in Mechanical Engineering) from Hong Kong University.

This year's prizes were donated from our devoted members Mr. FONG Wing Hong, Mr. I.M. NG and Mr. Y.W. YU. We thank them for their great support on this meaningful deed.



Ir Ernest Chan (L), Immediate Past Chairman of HKIB, presents the student prize to the winner

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## The 26th HKJB Annual General Meeting – 26 February 2002 Chairman's Report

Following the crawling away of the "Year of Snake", my second year's term of office as Joint Branch Committee Chairman has also come to a halt.

It is quite apparent that the global economic downturn over the past years has considerable impact to the Hong Kong economy as a shipping hub. To name a few, the continual downward trend of the GDP, ever increasing unemployment rate, coupled with shifting of business headquarters to another Asia Pacific cities in the region etc. Despite the above, the HKJB remains as the local link of the London Headquarters to the People's Republic of China and the surrounding countries, its role and function were not drastically affected by the prevailing economic turmoil in Asia.

Over the past one year, the JB continued to fulfil the statutory requirement of having committee members met in every two months' intervals to execute the directives from the HQs and to draft and initiate associated action plans; organising technical meetings and seminars to bring the fellow members and affiliates in the maritime industry together; promoting and keeping track on the core function and development of both

parent Institutes; as well as offering consultative advice to Government bodies on accreditation of professional qualification; on vocational education/ training pertinent to the maritime trade and so on.

Total four technical meetings and three half-day seminars had been organised over the past 12 month period, which are listed as follows:-

- (i) Technical meeting jointly organised with the Safety Specialist Group, HKIE was held at the conference room of HKIE on 2001-03-23 on the subject of "Shell's Story of Success on Health, Safety & Environment Management" by Mr. Eric C. Y. LEE, H. S. & E Manager.
- (ii) A "Maritime Student Career Talk" followed by a "Student Paper Presentation" session was organised on 2001-05-03 evening at the Police Officer's Club, which attracted over 65 students and members.

- (iii) A paper sharing the "Experience on Government New Vessels Tendering System and Marking Scheme" given by Mr. W. F. LEUNG of Marine Department was held on 2001-09-05 at the Harbour Club of Marine Department HQs.
- (iv) Another paper presentation organised on 2002-01-04 with the title "Control of Exhaust Emissions from Ferry Vessels – A case study" given by Mr. HO Shuifai, Director of Operations of the Sealand Environ – Tech Co. Ltd had attracted a number of interested members.
- (v) On 2001-04-07, a delegation of 19 JB members and 40 GSNAME members had attended a half-day seminar cum plant visit held in Huangpu Shipyard, Guangzhou, PRC, which was jointly organised with the Hong Kong Institute of Marine Technology and Guangdong Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers. The event proved to be a success in terms of attendance from both organising parties.
- (vi) Another cross border activity was co-ordinated by the same parties with Shenzhen Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers on 2001-06-22 held at Shenzhen,

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- PRC in the form of half-day seminar and technical visit. On this occasion, 12 and 30 members from HKJB and ZSNAME attended respectively.
- (vii) Lastly, a half-day seminar on "Marine Environmental Pollution Prevention" was held on 2001-10-04 at the conference room of the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers. Four technical papers related to the theme had been presented by four renowned speakers of different specialties. This successful event recorded an audience of 95 from various disciplines of trade.

The many JB activities organised in the year 2001 have yet to be exhaustive. By elaborating more into details of these events at below, I wish members could be more appreciative of how the outgoing Committee had rendered its never failing efforts to accomplish the set goals in the last tenure:—

- (i) Mr. Michael LEE, Hon Secretary of HKJB, Mr. Francis LAW and Mr. K. S. SZETO, Chairman and Hon Secretary of the East Asia Division of IMarEST had accompanied Mr. T. BLAKELEY, Chief Executive of RINA to pay a courtesy visit to the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers in the afternoon, followed by meeting with a cross section of total 23 JB members and dinning with the Committee members after the JB Committee meeting held in the evening of 2001-04-17.
- (ii) To enable the committee chairman and members to meet with the fellow members and guests in a more relaxing atmosphere, a "Chairman Speech Evening" was organised following the student paper presentation at the Police Officers' Club on 2001-05-03, which had attracted 72 participants.
- (iii) On 2001-07-03, through the Publication & PRC Liaison Sub-Committee (PLSC), 21 members and family had accepted the invitation by Guangzhou Shipbuilding International (Holdings) Ltd to witness the launching ceremony of the first 1600 LM RO/PAX carrier built for Swedish owner in Guangzhou.
- (iv) With the over-whelming support from the usual affiliates of the maritime industry at the last minutes, the "Annual Ball 2001" held in Sheraton Hotel on 2001-11-10 turned out to be the greatest success ever with full house of 220 members and guests attending. Also present in the evening were Mr. S. Y. TSUI, Director of Marine, Ms. Mariam LAU, Legislative Councillor (Transport Functional Constituency), Mr. Raymond HO, Legislative Councillor (Engineering Functional Constituency) and many other key representatives/officials of the local maritime regulatory bodies. Gratitudes should be given to Mr. Alan TSANG and his Organising Committee, without their dedication this annual event would not have come live, especially in the current economic climate.

- The HKJB was among the thirty-two organisations and associations signed up to participate in the Hong Kong Maritime and Logistics week (from 20 to 25 November 2001), coordinated by the Hong Kong Shipowners Association, which aimed to arouse the awareness of HKSAR people about the rapidly growing maritime and logistics industries. The event also included an exhibition at one of the most popular shopping malls in Admiralty, Central. While the exhibition was open to enable general public to know more about the industries and show how they contribute to the Hong Kong's economy, it also demonstrated to the visiting students the wide variety of opportunities and prospects being available to them as new entrants. The event was eventually rated as another success of similar kind.
- (vi) I had the privilege to lead a delegation consisted of the JB office bearers and committee members to attend the "Marintec China 2001" conference and exhibition held in Shanghai from 3-7 December, 2001. With the generous hospitality and facilitation of the Shanghai SNAME, the delegation managed to meet hundreds of representatives from various learned societies and tertiary institutions, local and world-wide, to exchange views on related maritime matters.
- (vii) Year 2001 also marked an important milestone for the IMarE which had changed its name to the Institute of Marine Engineering, Science and Technology to reflect the changes in science and technology since its establishment in 1889 and to emphasize the interdependence of these disciplines upon one another. While majority of the JB members perceived to be in favour of the expansion plan, so as to embrace marine scientists and technologists into one big family, the timely stopover visit by Mr. Keith READ, the Secretary General to Hong Kong on 2002-01-25 was indeed most encouraging. Though his short stay in Hong Kong was tight and rush, including courtesy call to the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers and meeting with Mr. S. Y. TSUI, Director of Marine and general members of both RINA & IMarEST, Mr. READ had joined in one of our Committee meetings to brief members on the latest development and the way forward of how IMarE was prepared to transform into the new set up of IMarEST. Mr. READ's presence in Hong Kong was well received and JB members were looking forward to meeting him again in the near future.

Despite all these efforts in promoting and publicising our parent Institutes through local and cross border activities, JB membership was noted to be on further decline this year. Natural wastage, shortage of new entrant to the industry and shifting of demand to the other more competitive rivals etc. claimed to be the common concerns bothering the current global maritime industries. Although the last year's "Manpower Survey on the Demand for Ex-seafarers of the Port and Maritime Services Industry" urged by Marine Department, with JB representative in the Steering Group monitoring the study progress, did come up a full basket of viable recommendations for improving the situation, the low priority considered by the government policy bureau had however brought us to nowhere. No doubt, there would be a number of hurdles maritime professionals have to get over in the way ahead. But as majority of us had gone through the rough way at high seas before we reached where we are today, I am confident that our professions will sustain following on the right track our parent bodies have been setting.

Thank you.

## Meeting the Secretary General of IMarEST

Mr. Keith READ, Secretary General of The Institute of Marine Engineering, Science and Technology, visited Hong Kong Joint Branch on 25 January 2002. A reception at the Harbour Club was held for the Secretary General to meet members in the local for updating them on the latest development of the Institute, in particular the Institute's latest strategy in membership development and services. Some nearly 40 members turned up for the social event that many took the opportunity to give their feedback and suggestions to Mr. READ on areas of improvement of its existing services. It had been a fruitful event that members could be given the face-to-face occasion chat with official from headquarters on areas interested to them. During that day, the Secretary General also paid courtesy visit to meet President and senior officials of The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers and Mr. S.Y. TSUI, Director of Marine of HKSAR.



(L. to R) Ir Michael Lee, Ir Ernest Chan, Mr. Keith Read, Ir Nelson Yu, Ir H.K. Leung and Mr. Patrick Tso



Mr. S.Y. Tsui, Director of Marine, briefs Mr. Keith Read

## Port News

## Crackdown on Overloading, Speeding and Forged Certificates

The Marine Department's Harbour Patrol Section (HPS) has taken rigorous action to crack down on vessels committing offences such as overloading, speeding and trading with forged documents.

HPS conducted about 18,000 vessel inspections in Hong Kong waters and instituted over 1,500 prosecutions against offenders last year.

It prosecuted 80 overloading cases last year, including some 50 Mainland cargo vessels (MCVs), compared with 29 cases in total in 2000.

Repeated operations against speeding vessels resulted in a decline of such cases to 36 in 2001, compared with 45 in 2000.

Crackdown on vessels trading with forged documents resulted in the detention of 10 MCVs. Four were handed over to the



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HPS also prosecuted some 20 MCV masters who were illegally engaged in shuttling cargo in local waters, breaching conditions of their entry permits and causing disturbance to the daily operations of local-licensed vessels.

HPS also co-organised 4 local seminars, and sent speakers to two seminars in the Mainland to promote navigation safety in Hong Kong waters.

Through administrative arrangements, a pre-arrival notification (PAN) measure was implemented on all non-convention and non-local vessels since mid-2001, attracting a 90% voluntary compliance rate. The majority of vessels in this category are MCVs.

The scheme is expected to become part of the Merchant Shipping (Local Vessel) (General) Regulation and the Shipping and Port Control Regulations in the later part of 2002.

## Hong Kong Port's Total Cargo Throughput Records 2% Hike in 2001

Despite the global economic downturn, Hong Kong port's total cargo throughput recorded a 2% increase to 178 million tones last year.

Final figures indicated that the total container throughput had fallen by about 1.5% to 17.8 million 20-ft equivalent units (TEUs) last year versus the figures in the previous corresponding period.

Containers handled by ocean-going vessels (OGVs) fell by an estimated 4% to 13.2 million TEUs, while those handled by river-trade vessels (RTVs) rose by about 6% to 4.7 million TEUs.

Total number of ship calls at Hong Kong fell by 0.9% to 214,750 last year, compared with 216,670 in 2000.

Total tonnage of sea-going cargo vessels rose by 13.1% despite a 0.9% fall in the number of visits to 37,350. River trade cargo vessels reported a 14.9% growth in total tonnage despite a 2.5% drop in the number of calls to 116,190.

While river trade passenger ferries port calls rose to 61,200 trips, the total number of passengers passing through the Macau Ferry terminal and China Ferry terminal also increased by 4% to 17.7 million.

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## Joint Branch Committee and Sub-Committee Arrangement/Structure

Joint Branch Committee (12 members, excluding Immediate Past-chairman)

#### Committee Office Bearers:-

Committee Chairman Vice Committee-Chairman Hon Secretary Assistant Hon Secretary

Hon Treasurer

#### Committee members:-

Immed. Past-chairman

Sub-Committee Chairmen ( 4 persons)

Sub-Committee Vice-chairmen (4 persons)

Sub-Committee members, as required

Within the Branch Committee, it shall run following Sub-Committees:-

- 1. Education & Students Affairs Sub-Committee (ESSC)
- Publicity Publications & PRC Liaison Sub-Committee (PPSC)
- 3. Public-social Relations Sub-Committee (PRSC)
- 4. Technical Meeting Sub-Committee (TMSC)

#### Roles of Office Bearers/Committee Officers:-

Committee Chairman is the chief executive who is responsible to lead the committee on each year's activities and commitments; to set goals and targets for the well being of the local members and the Institute; to arbitrate discussion, gather consensus, and to cast the tie-breaking vote at meetings when necessary.

Vice Committee-Chairman is the assistant to the Committee Chairman and may act on his behalf when so delegated or at his absence.

Hon Secretary is responsible for taking minutes during each meeting of the Branch Committee and communicating with HQ London, the secretaries of all Sub-Committees, committee members, and local members, and to coordinate membership interviews.

Assistant Hon. Secretary is the assistant to the Hon Secretary and may act on his behalf when so delegated or at his absence; to maintain the updated local membership list and their circulation addresses/contacts; to maintain an updated list of local shipping/maritime organisations contact list.

Hon Treasurer is responsible for all payments for agreed/approved expenditures and accounting aspect of the committee.

Sub-Committee Chairman is the leader of each sub-committee who is responsible to lead the sub-committee on each year's activities and functions and to set goals and targets for the well being of the local members and the Institute for council's approval; to arbitrate discussion, gather consensus, and to cast the tie-breaking vote at meetings when necessary.

Vice Sub-Committee-Chairman is the assistant to the Sub-Committee Chairman and may act on his behalf when he is so delegated or at his absence. He is also responsible for taking minutes during each meeting and communicate with members of the respective Sub-Committee. A copy of the meeting extract together with any suggested discussion agenda should be forwarded to Hon Secretary at least two weeks before each committee meeting.

#### Commitments to Committee/Sub-Committee Meetings

Each of the above Committee or Sub-Committee should hold meeting at least once every two months at place time chosen themselves. Any member who fails to attend 3 meetings consecutively shall be automatically ceased to be Committee/Sub-Committee member. Another member or co-opt member shall be nominated to take his place at the discretion Chairman of each Committee or Sub-Committee.

#### The Role of Branch Committee

To co-ordinate and run the Branch Committee/Sub-Committee activities. It shall hold regular meetings at least every two months.

It shall give direction and advice to various Sub-Committees where necessary and to maintain update circulation list of members in Hong Kong.

#### Terms of Reference for Various Sub-Committees:

Education & Students Affairs Sub-Committee (ESSC)

To co-ordinate resources for the development of local professional in education and training, to co-ordinate awards or scholarships where necessary, to coordinate and interview applicants for membership matters.

To co-ordinate the students activities such as student projects and exchange visit or training, to organize ONE student visit in summer vocation and to arrange one student project paper presentation, to organize career talks to schools, technical and tertiary institutes

2. Publicity Publications & PRC Liaison Sub-Committee (PPSC)

To express professional views in public relating to maritime safety and marine environmental protection matters where necessary so as to fulfil our professional role and commitment to the society and public, to issue MARINA on quarterly basis and to co-ordinate the issue of DIVISIONAL NEWSLETTERS on need basis.

To co-ordinate periodic meetings with PRC counterpart and related professional bodies to holding periodic technical exchanges or meetings, visits, etc., to co-organize seminars when necessary.

3. Public-social Relations Sub-Committee (PRSC)

To organize a few social events per year and the Annual Ball, to initiate public relation with Hong Kong Shipowners' Association, Classification societies, shipping companies and maritime related organizations,

4. Technical Meeting Sub-Committee (TMSC)

To organize 6 to 10 technical paper meetings per year and one seminar each year; to prepare souvenir plagues for presenters, invite guest speakers and prepare circular for distribution; to prepare technical meeting venues.

#### Circulation and Printing Arrangement

Master copies of all circulars or notices for purpose of technical paper meeting or social events etc., can be forwarded to Hon Secretary or Chairman of PPSC for arrangement of printing and distribution. On emergency cases, these master copies could be faxed or e-mailed to them.

### Hong Kong Joint Branch Sub-Committees Arrangement:-

1. Education & Students Affairs Sub-Committee (ESSC)

Chair: Dr Alan TANG Vice-Chair: Mr. C.K. MAK

Sub-Com. Members: Mr. K.S. SZETO, Mr. K.F. TANG

Mr. K. HUI

Publication & PRC Liaison Sub-Committee (PLSC)

Chair: Mr H.K. LEUNG
Vice-Chair: Mr K.S. SZETO
Sub-Com. Members: Mr. Michael LEE
Mr. Alan TSANG

3. Publicity-social Relation Sub-Committee (PRSC)

Chair: Mr. Nelson YU
Vice-Chair: Mr. R.W. PICKUP
Sub-Com. Members: Mr. M.K. LAI
Mr. Alan TSANG
Mr. K.K. LI

 Technical Meeting Sub-Committee (TMSC) Chair: Mr. Richard DIAS

Vice-Chair: Mr. Ernest CHAN Sub-Com. Members: Mr. M.Y. CHAN Mr. Y.M. CHENG

Mr. Laxman KUMAR