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### MEETING THE CHALLENGES

# Leading transport body in the region

Over the years, CIT has achieved an enviable reputation as the leading professional transport body in the region. Membership of the Institute is proof of a very high level of educational achievement and practical experience and is recognised by the Government and major transport companies in Hong Kong for the purpose of career advancement and promotion.

#### Qualification for membership

As a learned society, CIT has been providing a forum for the exchange of information, views and opinions on matters relating to the transport industry through its conferences, seminars and publications. As the governing body of the transport profession, CIT has set adequate standards of education as a condition of entry or achievement of professional status and maintains its own qualifying examinations. The qualifying examinations serve to provide the required qualification for membership and to allow people with approved experience to achieve professional recognition. For people who, for whatever reason, missed out on obtaining a university degree in transport related studies, a way to satisfy the educational requirements for full CIT membership is by passing the CIT examinations.

The present Examination Subcommittee, under my chairmanship, took up the challenge last year to takeover all local qualifying examinations from the United Kingdom. We were vested with the responsibility to ensure that:

- the standard and quality of the examinations are comparable with those of the UK;
- the whole process of the administration and the logistics run according to schedule;
- examination papers are set within the scope of the approved syllabi; and
- examinations are capable of being self-financed and are secure.

# First local qualifying examination

The first local qualifying examination in 1998 attracted over 100

candidates and was completed very successfully. A booklet, which compiles the exam questions with suggested solutions and examiners' comments, was published after the examination. This may be purchased from the CIT HK. Members of the committee demonstrated professionalism and pursued their work with vigour. As the committee's Chairman, I am very proud of the personal dedication and accomplishments of my team members who have helped to accomplish the mission that was a personal fulfilment for me.

#### Challenges ahead

There are new challenges awaiting us. There is the need to build up competence and resources for better logistics and for sustaining quality in the upcoming examinations. The greatest challenge is to carry out a comprehensive review on the syllabi of the current examination subjects which are divided into three different levels with a wide spectrum of electives in logistics, air, rail, road and

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sea transport management, allowing members to choose according to their own priorities. The examination subjects must be reviewed, if not revised, to meet the members' needs. Your comments are cordially invited either for revision of any subject or for additional subjects.

We are on the brink of a new era and at the beginning of a new century. It is time for us to examine what is good and wise for our members and to reinforce CIT's influential position in the region. Through the examinations, our objective is to prepare transport practitioners equipped with the latest knowledge for efficient decisionmaking, and with the ability to evaluate their decisions in the context of the complex institutional framework of international transport. Ideally, the examinations should meet the following objectives:

- Give members a broad view of transport rather than just a narrow focus on their own part of the industry or their chosen specialisation.
- Keep pace with international development and meet the needs of the local transport industry.
- Train members to comprehend the complexities and implications of the environment in which they operate.

Assess members' abilities in problem solving, critical analysis and independent endeavour to adapt to a variety of roles in the transport industry.

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Our measures to address the challenges rely on active and effective communication with members and the industry. All comments or suggestions will receive our careful consideration. I count on your ambition and willingness to meet the challenges ahead.

S.F. Ho Chairman of Examination Sub-Committee

ASSOCIATESHEP IN TRANSPORT STUDIES

Department of Business Administration, HKIVE

The Course of Associateship in Transport Studies, organised by the Department of Business Administration, Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education (Tsing Yi Campus) is to prepare students for the qualifying examination leading to Corporate Membership of CIT. It is a 2-year part-time course for those students who have:

- 1. completed the Higher Diploma in Transport Studies with credit or equivalent; or
- 2. satisfied the academic requirements for Associate membership of CIT; or
- 3. obtained Associate Membership of CIT.

The curriculum design is based on the CIT examination structure. Students are required to attend two evening sessions of three hours each per week over 25 weeks starting in September/October of each year. A total of four modules will be offered in the 1999/2000 academic year as follows:

#### Year 1

Business Strategy and Policy in Transport English and Communication (internal assessment)

#### Year 2

Road Transport Management Transport Policy Management

The application period for the course is from 20 April to 11 May 1999. Applicants may also enroll in individual modules as non-award students. For further details contact the course leader, Mr. K.C. Lam, on 2436-8476 or 2436-8460.

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### DIPLOMA OF CIT

#### Diploma in Transport Management

It is very encouraging for those students/members who are going to sit the CIT examination this year, or in the future, to know that CIT HK now has a "Diploma in Transport Management". This will be awarded to those members who succeed in passing the CIT HK examination with 9 papers and wish to obtain it as a certification of their professional status. Only papers passed under the current syllabi (1997 onwards) are eligible. Passes in the former intermediate and final examinations (in the years before 1997), or exemptions obtained for papers, cannot be counted towards the Diploma.

If you have successfully completed the required papers, you may apply to CIT HK office for the award of the Diploma. The administration fee for handling charges is \$400. If you have any

queries, please write to the E&T Examination Officer for further information, through the CIT HK Administrator, Ms Ada Lu.

The CIT membership certificate is



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separate from the Diploma. If you hold a Diploma of CIT HK, you may also be recognised as eligible for CIT membership (MCIT).

STUDENT DAY 1999

S.C. Wong

CIT HK, in collaboration with the Department of Civil Engineering of the University of Hong Kong, is organising a Student Day on Saturday 26 June 1999. The function aims at providing an opportunity for full-time tertiary

students studying transport-related subjects to present their projects. It will take the form of a presentation competition. Six teams of students have indicated that they will participate:

- Department of Business Administration, Hong Kong Technical College (Tsing Yi)
- Department of Civil Engineering, The University of Hong Kong
- Department of Civil Engineering, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
- Department of Industrial Engineering, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
- Department of Maritime Studies, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
- Haking Wong Technical Institute.

# EXAMINATION HELP

Good News! CIT HK has published a booklet compiling the question papers and suggested answers for the 1998 Professional Qualifying Examination. The book shows the sorts of answers that the examiners expected and the ways in which the questions may be

tackled. It also includes script markers' comments, which are valuable study hints for those preparing for the coming examination. You can buy this for \$65 from the CIT HK office, in person or by mail order (add \$20 postage for mail orders).



### INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

In March the CIT HK President, Professor C.K. Leung, attended the CIT International Meeting and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Asia/South Pacific Regional CIT Group Meeting, both of which were in London. Below are key items discussed at the meetings.

## **CIT International Meeting**

#### CIT UK Integration with Institute of Logistics

The International Council accepted all decisions of CIT UK to integrate with Institute of Logistics. The CIT UK integration will be formalised by June 1999. The following aspects will affect CIT members in HK:

- the cessation of the publication of Global Transport from April 1999;
- the removal of most of the supporting services such as membership, education and training (including examination), publication and etc. to the Institute of Logistics; and
- the dismissal of the Director General.

Due to this integration, it is expected that the support from CIT Headquarters will be reduced and only 15% of the original resources will remain for the CIT Headquarters.

#### Future of CIT International

To meet the changes due to CIT UK integration, a special committee was set up under the International Advisory Committee to prepare a report on the future of CIT International. Hong Kong was nominated to represent the National Councils of Malaysia, Singapore and Hong Kong. Members will be kept informed of the latest development.

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### Trademark Registration of Logo

The CIT in Hong Kong decided to maintain the existing CIT logo but it was agreed that all National Councils should register whichever logo they choose, old or new, to protect it from being abused.

# 2nd Asia/South Pacific Regional CIT Group Meeting

### Memorandum of Understanding

Members may wish to know that a Memorandum of Understanding was signed with other Asia/South Pacific Regional CITs. The purpose of this is to foster a better relationship between the National Councils in the Asia/ South Pacific Regional CIT Group. A copy of the document is now available in the CIT office for members' reference.

#### Exchange of Newsletters

To strengthen communications with other Asia/South Pacific Regional CITs, it was decided that Member Councils would send a reasonable number of copies of their newsletters to all other member councils.

We need your help! Could members recommend useful books and other materials which would be helpful for student members preparing for the CIT examination? These can then be purchased for the CIT

library - subject to budgetary constraints.

The library list is in the process of being updated and investigations of making it available on the CIT HK web page are in train.



Conference on Transport Policy and Planning Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> April 1999

0830 - 1730 Theatre 2, Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre (Old Wing)

0830 - 0900	REGISTRATION		
0900 - 0920	Welcome Speech Professor Anthony Yeh, Chairman, Organizing Committee		
0920 - 0940	Keynote Speech Hong Kong - Moving into the 21st Century Mr. Kevin Ho, Acting Secretary for Transport, Transport Bureau, Hong Kong SAR Government		
Moderator : Profess	opments in Transport Policy and Planning or Peter Hills, Director. Centre of Urban Planning & Environmental Management, iversity of Hong Kong		
0940 - 0955	1. The Third Comprehensive Transport Study Mr. Michael Clark, Managing Director, Wilbur Smith Associates Limited		
0955 - 1010	2. Demand Management and Road-Use Pricing Dr. Timothy Hau, Associate Professor, School of Economics and Finance, The University of Hong Kong		
1010 - 1025	3. Transport Policy and the Environment Dr. Hung Wing Tat, The Chartered Institute of Transport in Hong Kong		
1025 - 1040	4. Transport for the Disabled and Elderly in the 21st Century Mr. Rex C.K. Luk, Transport Manager, Rehabus Service, The Hong Kong Society for Rehabilitation		
1040 - 1110	Floor Discussion		
1110 - 1130	TEA & COFFEE		
	nal Movement in Hong Kong Hon Kwan, Chairman, Transport Advisory Committee		
1130 - 1145	1. Public Transport Services for Hong Kong - Development and Challenges Dr. Dorothy Chan, Deputy Commissioner for Transport, Transport Department, Hong Kong SAR Government		
1145 - 1200	2. Development of Hong Kong's Urban Railways - the Second Railway Development Study Highlights Mr. C.K. Mak, Government Engineer/ Railway Development, Highways Department, Hong Kong SAR Government		
1200 - 1215	3. Pedestrian Movements Mr. Fred Brown, Managing Director, MVA Asia Limited		
1215 - 1230	4. Traffic Control and Management Mr. K M Tsang, Chief Engineer/ Electronic Road Pricing, Transport Department, Hong Kong SAR Government		
1230 - 1300	Floor Discussion		
1300 - 1415	LUNCH		

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Session III - External Transportation Linkages Moderator : Dr. C. K. Leung, Chairman, The Chartered Institute of Transport in Hong Kong 1415 - 1430 1. Hong Kong International Airport in its Regional Context (speaker to be confirmed) 1430 - 1445 2. Future Development of the Port of Hong Kong Mr. Richard Yuen, Secretary, Hong Kong Port and Maritime Board 1445 - 1500 3. Railway Connection with Mainland China Mr. James Blake, Senior Director, Capital Projects, Kowloon Canton Railway Corporation 1500 - 1515 4. Hong Kong - Guangdong Transport Infrastructure Co-ordination Dr. L.H. Wang, Chairman, The Hong Kong Institute for Infrastructure Development 1515 - 1545 Floor Discussion 1545 - 1605 **TEA & COFFEE** Session IV - Future Developments Moderator : Mr. Robert Footman, Commissioner for Transport, Transport Department. Hong Kong SAR Government 1605 - 1620 1. Intelligent Transport System and its Application in Hong Kong Dr. Nelson Yung, Associate Professor, Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, The University of Hong Kong 1620 - 1635 2. Transport Infrastructure Development in Hong Kong for the 21st Century [speaker to be confirmed] 3. Re-thinking Transport in Hong Kong - a fundamentally new vision is a 1635 - 1650 necessity, not an option Dr. William Barron, Associate Professor, Centre of Urban Planning and Environmental Management, University of Hong Kong 1650 - 1730 **Open Forum on Future Transport Developments** 

### Public Forum on Modern Transport Technology Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> May 1999

0900 - 0930	REGISTRATION		
<b>093</b> 0 - 0940	Welcome Speech Professor C C Chan, Head & Honda Professor of Engineering, Department of Electrical & Electronic Engineering, The University of Hong Kong		
<b>094</b> 0 - 1010	<b>Transportation/ Mobility vs Increasing Population and Energy Consumption</b> Dr. P.B. MacCready, Chairman, AeroVironment, Inc.		
<b>10</b> 10 - 1040	Mr. Leo K. Lee, President, Advantec [topic to be confirmed]		
1040 - 1110	Mobile Phone Location Determination and Its Impact on Telematics and Public Transport Systems Dr. Yilin Zhao, Senior Staff Engineer, Motorola, Inc., Chicago, USA		
<b>110</b> • 1130	Panel DiscussionMr. Jackson Ho, Spokesman, Hong Kong Automobile AssociationMr. Dragon Young, Chairman, Institute of Advanced Motorists HongkongDr. T. L. ChanRepresentative from Transport Department		
1230	Open Forum		





The Polytechnic University

This year over 4,000 graduates and 5,000 under-graduates from a wide spectrum of courses will be seeking employment:

- Graduates will be available for full-time employment from mid-June;
- Undergraduates will be available for summer employment from early June to mid-September.

If your company has suitable vacancies for our students, please fax your recruitment details to 2774 5226 or post your advertisement on-line at our web site: http://www.polyu.edu.hk/recruit

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For further information you are most welcome to contact the following staff members of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University.

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Counselling Services Section, Student Affairs Office, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hung Hom, Kowloon.

# Any suggestions ?????

Do you have any comments or suggestions for future newsletter issues, or questions you would like to ask the Education and Training committee? Have you any information you would like published in the newsletter? Please let us know. These may be sent by email to David Chan **davidgsl@gslltd.com.hk** or Alison Cook **alcook@hkucc.hku.hk** or by fax to Alison Cook on **2559-0468**. NEXT NEWSLETTER

The next issue of the newsletter will be in July. Contributions for inclusion are welcome at any time. Please send these to Alison Cook on email **alcook@hkucc.hku.hk** (note that the email address has changed since the last newsletter) or to Daivd Chan on emial **davidgs@gsiltd.com.hk** Hard copy can be faxed to Alison Cook at **2559-0468**.

#### **DEADLINE: FRIDAY 9 JULY**



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Raymond Fan



• "Dr. Timothy Hau (second from the left) - FCIT, and the remaining four are Mr. Phil Quy - MCIT and Mr. H.C. Crawford - MCIT with his two friends." (names are not listed by order).



 From left to right : Mr. Tsang C.L. - MCIT, Mr. Ng K.W. - MCIT, Mr. Joseph Tsui - MCIT, Mr. Wong M.K. - MCIT, Dr. Timothy Hau - FCIT, Mr. Brjamin Fok - MCIT, Mr. Y.K. Leung - MCIT and Mr. David Chow - MCIT.



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• Waiting for and selecting delecious food.

The annual social gathering was held on the evening of Friday, 29 January 1999, following the Extra-ordinary General Meeting for 1998, chaired by the CIT Chairman, Prof. C.K. Leung.

Originally the E & T Committee booked 40 seats at the Mariners' Club but this had to be increased to 45 because of the interest by members and their friends. The response was beyond our expectations and quite encouraging for organising future events. Everything went very smoothly so it was a most successful start to the social activities for 1999.

The buffet-type barbecue served an array of delicious food, such as garlic bread, chicken fillets, chicken wings, sausages, baked potatoes, beef steaks, pork chops, potato salad, green salad, Swiss rolls, fresh fruits, and soft drinks. These were displayed on a long stall along the poolside, while several cooks roasted food on the furnaces. Members and their guests also played 'Bingo', chatted leisurely, took part in lucky draws and sang Karaoke. Various gifts were presented to the prize-winners of the grand lucky draw. All in all, it was a most successful evening which I'm sure members will remember.

On behalf of the E & T Committee I would like to express my gratitude towards the council members' enthusiastic participation in this activity and their generous sponsorship of prizes for games and lucky draws on that night. These council members are: Mr. Joseph Tsui C.F., Mr. K.Y. Leung, Mr. Benjamin Fok C.Y., Mr. Wong Man Kit, Dr. Timothy Hau, and Mr. Ng Kwok Wah. I would also like to thank Mr. Pedro Ching K.H. and Mr. David Ho C.S. for their contributions of prizes even though they were not available to take part in the gathering. Lastly, I would like to thank members/guests for their participation and volunteers for their assistance to the activity. And, I do hope to see all of you again at CIT HK functions in the near future.

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