

Chairman's Report for the Annual General Meeting of 2005

Executive Council

The composition of the current Executive Council, which was elected at the Annual General Meeting held on 31st March, 2004, are as follows :

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| Chairman : | Mr Tony Kwok Man Wai, SBS, IDS |
| Vice-chairman | Mr George Mok Yuen Chee |
| Hon Secretary | Ms Signoree Ng |
| Hon Treasurer | Dr Albert Wong Wing Kuen |
| Members | Dr Edmund Lee Tak Yue |
| | Mr Chan Chung Kwong |
| | Mr Adonis Cheung Kwok Dong |
| | Ms Sally Kwan Yee Lan |
| | Mr Joseph Tsang Hin Kei |
| | Mr Timothy Wong |
| | Mr Patrick H.C. Wong |
| Immediate Past Chairperson | Mrs Cecilia Tsui |

During the year, six Executive Council meetings were held.

Working Committees

Five Working Committees were established under the following chairmanship :

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| Continuous Professional Development (CPD) Committee | – Mr Adonis Cheung |
| Social Committee | – Ms Signoree Ng |
| Finance Committee | – Dr Albert Wong |
| Membership Committee | – Mr Patrick Wong |
| Editorial Committee | – Mr George Mok |

Hon Auditor

We are most grateful to the professional service offered by Messer Paul Chan & Partners, Certified Public Accountants, our Honorary Auditors.

Finance

The Branch's finance is in a healthy state. Please refer to the financial report

Activities

Since the Hong Kong Branch is still a very young organization, it is hoped that more members can be attracted to participate in the Branch's activities and to form networking. Highlights of the activities during the year are:

Visit to Hong Kong Cyberport

Around 40 members participated in our visit to the Hong Kong Cyberport on the 21st May 2005. Members and their family members were attracted by the advanced technology that the centre provided to its tenants. The group was shown a short film displayed in an enclosed 360-degree screened cinema, the first in Hong Kong, which all participants found it very impressive. We were given an expert tour of the iResource Centre and the Digital Media Centre. The enjoyable and informative visit was rounded up with a sumptuous Dim-Sum lunch.

Study Tour to Guangzhou

On the 2nd and 3rd September 2005, we organized our second study visit to the Mainland – a two days study tour to Guangzhou. A total of 40 participants joined our tour. The tour itinerary included the Guangzhou Honda Automobile Factory, the Guangzhou Higher Education Mega Centre, night cruise on the Pearl River, the Foshan Ancestral Temple, and the Baomo Garden at Punyu. We were most grateful to The Central People's Government's Liaison Office and the Guangzhou City Government for all the help in coordinating this very successful visit.

CPD seminars

A CPD Seminar on “Embracing Corporate Governance – Management Roles and Responsibilities ” by Mr. Herbert Hui, JP, Chairman of the Hong Kong Institute of Directors, was held on 26th April 2005 in YMCA Hotel. Around 38 members participated in the seminar and benefited from the expert speaker on this very useful and important subject.

The other CPD Seminar on “Knowledge Management Primer for Executives and Business Professionals” was held on 23rd August, 2005. We are honoured to have an expert on this subject, Mr. Alfred Ho, Chairman of the Institute of Training Professionals, to speak on this seminar.

In order to encourage the continuous professional development concept amongst our members, Our Council has agreed to the CPD Award Scheme as follows:

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| Gold ----- Souvenir + Certificate | 30 CPD hours |
| Sliver ----- Souvenir + Certificate | 20 CPD hours |
| Bronze-----Souvenir + Certificate | 10 CPD hours |

Visit from UK Headquarters

Our Executive Council members had a working dinner with Mr. Neil Southern, the Director of Membership Development of CMI, UK Headquarters, who visited Hong Kong on 8th August 2005. The Council was given an update of the latest development of CMI and there were fruitful exchange of views on how the Hong Kong Branch could be further developed.

Book Prize Award for MBA Student

We have donated an annual book prize of HK\$2,000.00 to the City University of Hong Kong as an award for the best EMBA Student’s Project, for a duration of two years.

Newsletter

Under the leadership of the Editorial Board of the Branch, three issues of Newsletter were published this year. We have also agreed to accept advertisements in the Newsletter. Members are most welcomed to make good use of this Newsletter to promote their company products.

Website

Our Branch's website www.managers.org.hk includes updates and past events highlights and "on-line" Newsletter. Members are welcomed to visit this website and to communicate with us through the email channel provided.

Conclusion and Way Forward

The term of the Executive council will expire this year and a general election will be held in the coming Annual General Meeting. I would like to register my sincere appreciation for the excellent work done by all members of the Executive Council, who are all very busy people and have kindly sacrificed their valuable time to provide voluntary service to the Branch. The Branch is also grateful to the professional service provided by all staff of our Secretariat, headed by Mr. S.K. Lau.

(Tony Kwok Man-wai)
Chairman