

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
THE HONG KONG INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERING SURVEYORS –
HKIES (From General Assembly 2002)

1. Name of association
– in own language 香港工程測量師學會
– in English (if different from above) THE HONG KONG INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERING SURVEYORS

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7. Name of President CHAN, Tak Cheung Mannars

8. Administration

Is the above address the address of the permanent office of the association? If so, please state the name of the chief executive and the number of any other permanent staff members

9. Date of formation of association 9-12-1995

10. Objectives and ethics item 10-15 Please refering the documents submitted.
Please summarise on a separate sheet the objectives of the association and state whether it enforces disciplinary procedures; and enclose a copy of its constitution and rules (including, where applicable, its code of conduct).

11. Routes of entry to membership
Please provide the following information on a separate sheet

- the title held by qualified members of the association
- the level of academic qualification required to obtain the title
- whether academic training programmes to this level are available in your country (if not, please state how and where members obtain their academic training)
- what approved professional experience is required on completion of academic training and prior to acquisition of the title
- what the requirements are for continuing professional development and whether this is mandatory or voluntary
- if the association also admits technician or sub-professional members and, if so, the qualifications required for entry to this grade of membership

12. Members

No. of holders the title

- qualified _____
- qualifying _____

No. of technician or sub-professional members

- qualified _____
- qualifying _____

13. Specialisations

% of qualified members whose principal specialisation is

- hydrography _____
- positioning/measurement _____
- engineering surveys _____
- cadastre/land management _____
- spatial planning/development _____
- valuation/real estate management _____
- construction cost management _____

14. Statutory recognition

Is the association constituted by statute?

Please list on a separate sheet those activities undertaken by your members which are regulated by statute and state whether any or all of these can be performed only by members of your association. If not, please state who else can acquire the title to perform any of the activities.

15. Employment

% of qualified members

- self-employed and _____
- employed in private practice _____
- teaching _____
- employed by government _____
- employed in the commercial _____
- or other sectors _____

16. Subscriptions

Please state the annual subscription payable by each grade of membership

Fellow	HK\$ 500
Member	HK\$ 300
Associate	HK\$ 200
Student	HK\$ 100 or free

17. Services to members

Does the association publish a journal (if so, please state title and frequency)

Yes

Please list on a separate sheet any other services that the association provides for its members.



31 January 2002

BY FAX & POST
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Mr. Robert W. Foster
President FIG
International Federation of Surveyors
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Dear President Robert Foster

**Membership application of the Hong Kong Institute of Engineering Surveyors
to become a member of FIG**

Thank you for your letter of 19 December 2001.

Our General Council has carefully considered the suggestion made by your Council that HKIS and HKIES should form a national FIG Forum that could assume international responsibilities and be the member of FIG from Hong Kong. I wish to inform you regrettably that this Institute considers your suggestion not acceptable.

We have put forward our views why we object to HKIES to become a member of FIG in our previous correspondence to FIG. However I wish to elaborate further our view points as follows.

Our Institute has been established under the law of Hong Kong as a professional surveyor institute, i.e. the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors Ordinance. It has very stringent requirements for election as member of our Institute and code of practice for member to comply with in order to maintain a high standard of professionalism. Indeed this arrangement is at par with allied construction professional institutes, such as, the architects, engineers, and town planners. Our Institute is open to anyone for election as member provided they have the requisite academic qualification and experience.

Our membership is a well recognized qualification for employment as professional surveyors in many government departments, some 1500 in number, and some are occupying key official posts such as director or commissioner of departments, while another 1,500 members are working in private sector as employees or partners, or even own business. Indeed, most of the surveyors employed in the government are our members whilst only a small number are with overseas professional qualifications. Also our membership is the only recognized local qualification for admission as Registered Professional Surveyors of the Professional Surveyors Registration Board. Under the Land Surveyor Ordinance our membership is the only recognized local qualification to become Authorized Land Surveyors to carry out land boundary survey work. It is obvious therefore that the HKIS is the only local professional surveyor qualification recognized and well received in Hong Kong. In fact our Institute is playing an important role in the professional and political arena and the government would consult us on all policy matters related to surveying.



Our Institute covers a wide scope of professional activities including property general practice, quantity survey, building survey, development and planning, and land surveying. Definitely, engineering survey is one of the activities that our members are engaged in at a professional level both in the public and private sector. For example, all engineering survey units in the government are in-charged by professional surveyors holding HKIS membership. Understandably, besides professional surveyors who provide professional input and supervision there are other supporting staff engaged at technical level, such as survey technicians. Therefore our Institute is fully qualified to represent professional practitioners in all fields of surveying, including engineering surveying, in Hong Kong and is fully competent to advise on surveying matters relevant to here.

We are of the opinion that FIG is a reputable international organisation with members of high professional standard and representing their respective countries or regions, fields of expertise or academics. Indeed we are very honoured to be a member of FIG. We are concerned if FIG should admit some group of lesser standing it would undermine its status. We therefore sincerely wish that the FIG Council would seriously consider our points of objection to admitting HKIES as a member association.

Regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Hak Chan', is positioned above the typed name.

Hak Chan
President