

CAD 24/25 International Summit Part 2- Delegation to Chengdu

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The captioned was conducted from 21st to 22nd April 2025. It was organized by CAD, co-organized by School of Science and Technology, Hong Kong Metropolitan University (HKMU), The Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education, Vocational Training Council, Engineering Discipline (IVE Engineering), Siemens Ltd., etc. and supported by Cyberport.

The meeting with Prof Weijun HUANG of the School of Construction and Civil Engineering, Chengdu University, was arranged for the discussion of future collaboration.

On the second day, Summit Part 2 was held at Siemens Smart Manufacturing and Innovation Centre was arranged. Mr. Davy GUO, Vice President and General Manager of Digital Industries, Siemens Ltd. delivered a welcoming address, Ir Billy CHOW, Summit Part 2 Organizing Committee (OC) Chairman and Ir Dr Tony LEE, Summit OC Chairman delivered their opening addresses. Subsequently, Mr. Xinxing LIU and Mr. Ning FANG of Siemens, Ir Dr Kenneth PAK of HKMU and Mr. Tony WONG of IVE Engineering delivered their presentations. After the group photo of Dr Tsz Shan LAM, VTC Assistant Executive Director, Ir Prof Louis LOCK, CAD Chairman Ir Dr LEE, Ir CHOW and the speakers, a technical visit to Siemens Digitalized Plant was arranged; the plant has been awarded “Sustainability Lighthouse” since 2019.

A campus tour of Chengdu Textile College including facilities of Sino-German Innovative Talent Training Centre, School of Intelligent Manufacturing, etc. was conducted. Afterwards, there was a meeting with the senior members, Ms. Hong ZHOU, Party Deputy Secretary, Prof Wang LUO, Dean of School of Intelligent Manufacturing, Prof Xuanping CAO, Party Branch Secretary, etc. Discussion was focused on the learned society activities collaboration and issues related to engineering education and professional development. Ir Prof LOCK shared a delivery concerning the importance and development pathway of professional engineers in HK, Mr. WONG briefed the IVE Engineering programmes offered and Vocational Professionals Admission Scheme (VPAS) and Ir Dr LEE introduced the programmes offered by Department of Construction and Quality Management (CQM) of HKMU. Academic staff were keen for VPAS and the HKMU CQM part-time postgraduate programmes.

The delegation members expressed heartfelt appreciation for the warm hospitality rendered. Through the visit, more mutual understanding among the relevant parties

was achieved, the groundwork for further academic and professional collaboration among CAD and the Chengdu counterparts was enhanced.



Photo: T CHEUNG (L1), T WONG (L2), B CHOW (L3), TS LAM (L4), T LEE (L5), L LOCK (L6), D GUO (R6), M TSANG (R5), W LI (R4), K PAK (R3), L SHAM (R2) and R LI (R1)