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A Seminar* by

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On

A Review of the Travel Characteristics Surveys Conducted in Hong Kong

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Venue: Room 222, Hui Oi Chow Science Building, HKU

About the Speaker

Mr To is a professional engineer specialized in transport planning and traffic engineering. After graduation from the University of Hong Kong in 1979, he joined the Hong Kong Government as a Civil Engineering Graduate in 1980 when he began his career as a civil servant and a practitioner with over 20 years of experience in the transport planning and traffic engineering stream. In 1990, he received his MSc(Eng) degree in Transport Planning and Engineering with distinction from the University of Leeds. He is now serving as the Assistant Commissioner for Transport/Planning in the Transport Department in Hong Kong responsible for the supervision of Comprehensive Transport Studies, District Traffic Studies, Transport Model Development and Applications, Road Safety and Standards, and the implementation of major roads and railway projects.

Seminar Abstract

After the completion of the first Comprehensive Transport Study in Hong Kong in 1976, the Hong Kong Government conducted three Travel Characteristics Surveys in 1981, 1992, and 2002. The Travel Characteristics Survey covering about 1.5% of all households is the largest household interview survey for transport studies conducted in Hong Kong. It collects the necessary data on peoples' travel patterns and behaviours for the re-calibration and enhancement of the comprehensive transport model and for the establishment of database for transport planning works. Attitude surveys were introduced in the Survey conducted in 2002 to enhance the understanding of the publics' views and attitudes towards the transport system for planning purposes. Whilst the Government is planning to conduct the next round of Travel Characteristics Survey in 2011, it would be useful to review the Surveys done in the past, especially the one carried out in 2002, to establish the approach and methodology for the coming survey. The Seminar will focus on the review of the survey conducted in 2002 which forms the basis for the planning of the next survey.

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