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Annual Report for 2022/2023

2023 is a critical year to all of us as the society began to return to normal since the beginning of the year as the influence of COVID-19 has been finally fading out. Lot of events/activities/gatherings suspended during the pandemic are resumed. We are glad to see that now we can hold face to face meetings & gatherings, no longer solely rely on Zoom/Team meeting. The Board of Directors (BoD) held five (5) numbers of meetings in this term and I am pleased to report the key activities as follows:

1. Membership

As of September 2023, our membership has total 126 members including 61 Life Members, 3 Fellow Members, 46 Ordinary Members, and 16 Corporate Members.

2. Technical Visits and Exhibition

- Technical visit jointly organized with HKIE BS Division to EMSD Regional Digital Control Centre (RDCC) and E&M Inno Zone was held in Nov 2022 and more than 30 members attended this visit.
- A joint Delegation formed together with ACRA, ASHRAE(HK Chapter) attended "The China Refrigeration Expo 2024" held in Shanghai on 7-9 April 2023. During the trip the delegation also arranged visits to "Grundfos Pump Suzhou Ltd and also 上海環貿廣場 (iAPM).
- We participated in Build4Asia Exhibition 2022 held in Nov 2022 & also the 2023 Exhibition held in May 2023. We set up a booth in both exhibitions to introduce & promote the Association to others.

3. Training & Education

HKAEE has signed the partnering agreement with Efficiency Valuation Organization (EVO) in early 2023 to plan for organizing the Energy Efficiency Performance Measurement and Verification Analyst (PVMA) training and certification course. HKAEE is preparing to organize the first PMVA training course, hopefully it can be held in early 2024. By then, HKAEE will be one of the engineering institutions to promote actively the Measurement and Verification to the building industry with an internationally recognized training and certification course.



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4. Participation in related Government Committees and Energy Events

The Association has been actively contributing our views and inputs on various energy-related policies/affairs to different Bureaus or Departments of HKSAR including the followings

- 2023/24 Budget Consultation Session: Environmental Protection Sector chaired by Deputy Financial Secretary;
- EMSD will soon conduct their Review of The Building Energy Code (BEC) for 2024 Edition. Representatives of HKAEE have been joining the Taskforce and various Working Groups for many years and our current representatives are as follows:
- Taskforce: Conson Yu
- Lighting Working Group: HW Yu
- Air-conditioning Working Group: Eric Lau
- Electrical Working Group : Ian Lee
- Lift Working Group: Ringo Shea
- Performance Based Working Group: Julie Wong
- Energy Audit Working Group: Colin Chung
- The Association continues participating as the member of the Registration Committee of Retro-Commissioning of HKGBC together with other engineering institutions, to promote and developing the RCx related subjects.
- EMSD has formed a new working group for RCx this year to review and updates the technical guidelines and other aspect related to RCx. Our Chairman Glorisun joined the group as our representative
- We support the Energy Saving Championship Scheme 2023 organized by Environment & Ecology Bureau & EMSD and I was invited to be the member of the judging panel for household & students.

5. Liaison in the Industry

We have been keeping close liaisons with other partnering institutions and associations in the industry by supporting and attending their events and we will continue to plan the joint functions in the coming year such as technical visit, training courses and other activities related to the energy saving, zero carbon neutrality and also the new renewable energy application such as the hydrogen vehicle etc.



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6. Concluding Remark

It is really my great honour to be the President of HKAEE this term. I would to give my heartfelt thanks to all Previous Presidents and the BoDs, With their excellent work and input in the past, the Association has already demonstrated the substantial contributions in the industry. Confronting the various challenges ahead, our current BoDs will continue to input our greatest effort in advocating and promoting the latest technologies in energy saving, renewable energy application and decarbonization. In the coming year, though we are facing the shortage of manpower in various aspects in the society, we would put more effort in enlarging our member number and particularly inviting more young engineers to join the Association.

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President (2022 – 2024) HKAEE

25 September 2023