

# Obituary



## In memory of Ir Leslie R THOMPSON

The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers is deeply saddened by the passing away of Ir Leslie R Thompson on 29 January 2022 at the age of 87.

Ir Thompson served the Institution in different positions: he was elected to the Council in 1979, served as the Chairman of the Structural Division in Session 1978/1979, and was elected as Vice President in 1981.

In Session 1979/1980, Ir Thompson was charged to examine closely and rewrite as necessary the Rules of Conduct of the Institution. It laid the foundation of the Institution's four main basic Rules of Conduct. Ir Thompson stressed the importance of practising with integrity as the basic virtue of the engineering profession.

In Session 1983/1984, while the Institution was heading to its second decade, Ir Thompson was elected as the President. He led a delegation to Beijing upon the invitation from the China Association for Science and Technology (CAST)

and pioneered the cooperation between Hong Kong and mainland professional bodies.

Ir Thompson designed and supervised a wide range of civil and structural projects in the private, commercial and housing sectors. He was also the past chairman of the Hong Kong Branch of The Institution of Structural Engineers, UK.

Since 1956, Ir Thompson contributed his service in Pirelli General Cable Co Ltd, E W H Gifford and Partners and Hong Kong office of Mitchell, McFarlane, Brentnall & Partners.

Ir Thompson was a thoughtful and kind person, who treated everyone alike no matter background or gender and was always a pleasure to work with. Throughout his services to HKIE, he spared no effort in promoting the Institution and its members. HKIE is deeply grateful for Ir Thompson's contribution and service to the community and the Institution. We would like to offer our deepest condolences to his family.