

# Obituary



## In memory of Ir Dr Simon HO Shek On

The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers mourns the loss of Ir Dr Simon HO Shek On, a revered Fellow known for his distinguished contributions to engineering. With a career spanning over five decades, he dedicated himself to advancing the realms of engineering, project management, and industrial consultancy.

Beginning his journey with the HKIE as one of its pioneering members in 1975, Ir Dr HO played an instrumental role in shaping the engineering landscape in Hong Kong and beyond. His unwavering commitment and expertise enriched the profession, leaving a lasting impression on generations of engineers. Ir Dr HO's legacy within the HKIE is marked by his multifaceted engagements. Serving as a Council Member across several Sessions, his commitment had been indispensable to the Institution's growth and development. His profound impact was notably felt within the Environmental Division, where he dedicated 13 years, as a member and Chairman, to nurturing excellence in environmental engineering. He exemplified a steadfast dedication to advancing the discipline.

Educationally grounded in electrical engineering, Ir Dr HO was a lifelong learner and leader. He held bachelor's and master's degrees from The University of Hong Kong, and received his Doctor of Engineering from Warwick University, UK. He also held a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) degree from Manchester Metropolitan University. His academic prowess paralleled his professional success.

Ir Dr HO's illustrious career was marked by overseeing landmark projects such as Hong Kong Lok On Pai Desalting Plant, showcasing his visionary leadership and technical acumen. His expertise extended globally, encompassing ventures in Mainland China and Canada.

Ir Dr HO's entrepreneurial spirit shone through in his role as the Founder and Managing Director of Talent Wealth Group Limited. With a wealth of experience spanning entrepreneurship, project management, and infrastructure development, he played a pivotal role in shaping the industry landscape of Hong Kong and beyond.

During the early 1980s, Ir Dr HO expanded his business ventures into Mainland China, actively contributing to the country's economic growth. Leveraging his wealth of experience and professional interest, he engaged in diverse projects spanning mechanical and electrical engineering, the automobile industry, environmental protection, green energy, mining, and more.

Ir Dr HO's influence transcended borders, as evidenced by his active involvement in the government bodies, advisory committees, and professional organisations. Noteworthy positions included membership in the Selection Committee for the first Government of the HKSAR and participation in the National People's Congress of the HKSAR. Additionally, he served as the former chair of the Institution of Electrical Engineers, UK, now known as the Institution of Engineering and Technology. His influence was far-reaching and profound.

A mentor, visionary, and trailblazer, Ir Dr Simon HO's legacy embodies excellence and commitment to the engineering profession. His contributions resonate within the HKIE and the broader engineering community, and will continue to inspire generations of engineers to come.

In honouring the life and legacy of Ir Dr Simon HO, we honour a remarkable individual whose impact will endure as a beacon of inspiration within the engineering fraternity.