

Chairman's Message

Henry Ford said "Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young.". Continuous learning plays a significant part in an engineer's career. Therefore, YMC always encourages young members to reach out, explore and learn. Continuing the success of previous sessions, YMC brought her young members out of the homebound and left their footsteps at Jakarta, Hunan, Shenzhen and Dongguan of Mainland China in Session 2019/2020. And of course, we never forgot to appreciate the engineering wonders in Hong Kong. We explored the local infrastructural and technological development such as cavern development, 5G technology and aviation monitoring system, through the organization of seminars and visits.

While the session was in full swing, the coronavirus pandemic gave YMC a short pause. We had to call off events which had been lined up in light of the consideration of social distancing. Despite such worrying and uncertain situation, our Committee had shown strong resilience. We put aside the norms and began to re-evaluate means of connecting our members and delivering learned society activities without putting anyone's health at risk.

Afterall, I see this as a challenge accepted by YMC, the Institution and all our members. We learnt how to encounter with challenge, prepare for unknown, gain resiliency and



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support each other. In this ever-evolving world, such occasion gave us each a fearless heart and prepared us for the unforeseen challenges that lie ahead.

Session 2019/2020 marks the 35th birthday of the HKIE-YMC and the 2019-2020 coronavirus pandemic marks its time in the World's history. As Albert Einstein said "In the midst crisis, lies great opportunity.". I wish YMC a great session ahead and everyone who is reading this message a safe and healthy life!