







Structural Division

HALF-DAY SEMINAR ON DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF MODULAR HIGH-RISE BUILDINGS

Organized by
Hong Kong Institute of Steel Construction
Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

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Date: 04 December 2018

8:45 am (registration) for 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Venue: Y302, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hunghom, Kowloon, HK

Introduction

Time:

Due to the shortage of workforce and limited land use, many cities like Hong Kong is heading to the direction of improving construction efficiency by adopting more efficient construction method such as DfMA to building high-rise buildings. The traditional prefabricated/precast 2D construction is now being migrated to prefabricated prefinished volumetric (3D) construction (PPVC), whereby free-standing volumetric (3D) modules, completed with finishes for walls, floors and ceilings, are constructed and assembled at site. However, PPVC is not commonly used in high-rise buildings because of the joints' flexibility as well as stringent requirement for manufacturing and construction tolerance, which have significant impact on the overall stability of the building. This seminar highlights the existing challenges of PPVC of high-rise buildings and provide pointers to address these challenges. Firstly, the weight of a module is constrained by the transportation and lifting crane capacities. For this reason, lightweight cementitious material is introduced together with structural steel section to form lightweight steel-concrete composite system to reduce the weight of the module without compromising the strength and stiffness. Secondly, to speed up the site assembly of modular units, special joints are developed to resist the design forces due to gravity and horizontal loads. Fast and easy joining techniques with acceptable tolerance control are essential to ensure the structural integrity and stability of the building. Finally, the innovation for productivity can be maximized by implementing automation technologies in the manufacturing and construction of the modular units. The seminar will discuss several projects that utilise PPVC technology for multi-storey construction. The construction of concrete and steel modular multi-storey buildings using grouted wall panels or bolted steel components and semi-rigid joints will be presented to illustrate the benefit of prefabrication technology.

Objectives

The seminar provides essential information to engage the design team, contractors, and owner to plan for prefabrication in the design phase. After the seminar, the participants should be able to

- Recognize opportunities to implement a prefabrication strategy in different project delivery methods
- understand how BIM plays an important role in early decision making, collaboration, and coordination of multiple trades
- understand the potential cost savings and productivity increase when implementing modular construction
- Learn how to design for modular construction and understand how to implement it successfully
- Learn from projects that adopt modular construction for multi-storey buildings.

Programme

Time	Topics							
0900-1000	Prefabricated Prefinished Volumetric Construction (PPVC) – Singapore experience; advantages and challenges; Cost; Policy; strategy to improve productivity; Types of construction; Completed projects. On-going work.							
1000-1030	Modular Steel Buildings – Corner supported steel modules; High-rise modular system, Design for factory production; Transportation and lifting; Structural efficiency; Long span and lightweight module; MEP integration; Slimfloor system; Composite column; Types of joints; Floor diaphragm; Computer modelling; Lateral load resistance; Robustness; Corrosion and fire resistance. Case studies.							
1030-1100	Tea Break							
1100-1200	Modular Concrete Buildings – Sequence of production; Load bearing wall system; concrete module; Tolerance; Site installation sequence; Module stacking; Joints between modules; Water tightness and control.							
1200-1230	Construction of Modular Buildings — BIM and virtual design; Lean production; Project management; Construction and factory automation, case studies and video presentations.							

Official Language

English will be the official language in the presentation. The notes of the seminar will be printed in English.









Speaker's profile

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Richard Liew is a Deputy Head of research and Professor in the Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering at the National University of Singapore. He is a Chartered Engineer in UK, a Professional Engineer in Singapore, and a Chartered Professional Engineer of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations. He is a Fellow of the Academy of Engineering Singapore, an Honorary Fellow and the Past President of Singapore Structural Steel Society and an Honorary Fellow of Hong Kong Institute of Steel Construction. He has been in involved in research and practice in steel concrete composite structures covering a wide spectrum of interests, including light-weight and high strength materials and advanced analysis of structures subject to extreme loads. Arising from this work, he has co-authored 6 books and generated more than 400 technical publications. He serves on the editorial boards of 8 international journals. He interacts closely with the industry serving as an expert and technical advisor in numerous iconic building projects. He chairs several international and national committees related to standards and specifications of steel and composite structures. He is a key person responsible for the development of Singapore's national annexes for the design and steel and composite structures using Eurocodes 3 and 4.

Registration fees

Please make your reservation as soon as possible. The registration includes lecture notes, CPD certificate and tea refreshment. Lunch is not included. The fees of the seminar are devised below:-

Programme	HKISC member	HKIA/HKIE/HKIS member	Others		
One-day Seminar	HK\$ 700	HK\$ 800	HK\$ 900		

Should you have further query, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Tommy LI at man@hkisc.org.









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(To be received on or before 27th November 2018)

Please follow the 2-step registration procedure:

- 1. Fax the completed registration form to Mr Tommy LI (Fax: 852-2334 6389) for preliminary registration.
- 2. Post the completed registration form within 7 days together with a crossed cheque payable to Hong Kong Institute of Steel Construction Limited to Mr Tommy LI, at:

The Hong Kong Institute of Steel Construction c/o Room ZS945, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hunghom, Kowloon, Hong Kong on or before 27th November 2018

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