

Permanent Secretary for Development (Works) attends innovation forum-cum-business matching meeting on construction engineering and management services in Foshan (with photos)

The Permanent Secretary for Development (Works), Mr Lam Sai-hung, led a Hong Kong delegation to Foshan, Guangdong, to participate in the "Nanhai of Foshan & Hong Kong – Innovation Forum-cum-Business Matching Meeting on Construction Engineering and Management Services in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao High-end Services Demonstration Zone" today (August 20).

The event, with the theme of deepening co-operation to facilitate high quality development of the construction industry, was jointly organised by the Development Bureau and the Guangdong Provincial Department of Housing and Urban-Rural Development. It aimed to explore how to fully leverage the innovative, professional and technical edges of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area to facilitate collaboration and interaction of construction industry stakeholders in Guangdong and Hong Kong.

At the opening ceremony, Mr Lam said that the Development Bureau and the Guangdong Provincial Department of Housing and Urban-Rural Development jointly signed the "Agreement on Strengthening Guangdong-Hong Kong Cooperation in Construction and Related Engineering Services" in November 2017. One of the tasks was to actively encourage construction enterprises and professionals of both sides to liaise closely and join hands in the development of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area. He also mentioned that the Outline Development Plan for the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area supports the promotion of co-operation in high-end services among Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao, and builds a link to foster market connectivity and the flow of talent, information, technologies, etc., which are vital economic elements.

In the forum, construction enterprises and professionals of both sides shared their valuable experience in a variety of areas, including project planning, design, construction management and dispute resolution. The organisers also arranged for some Mainland enterprises to discuss collaboration opportunities with their Hong Kong counterparts on projects in Foshan.

