

# SDEV to attend 2018 Mainland and Hong Kong Construction Forum in Guiyang

The Secretary for Development, Mr Michael Wong, will lead a delegation to Guiyang tomorrow (July 22) to attend the 2018 Mainland and Hong Kong Construction Forum. The theme of the forum is "Integrating into the Development of the Country, Facilitating High-quality Development of the Construction Industry".

Co-organised by the Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development, the Guizhou Provincial People's Government and the Development Bureau of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government, the forum aims to promote exchanges between the construction industry and related engineering industries of the Mainland and Hong Kong on professional services and project management. It also seeks to foster ties and co-operation between the two places.

Mr Wong will deliver a speech at the forum's opening ceremony on July 23. During the forum, speakers from the Mainland and Hong Kong will share their experiences on building design and project management, innovation and the passing on of building technology, as well as assembly construction and green buildings. The Permanent Secretary for Development (Works), Mr Hon Chi-keung, will deliver a concluding speech at the closing ceremony of the forum on the following day.

The Hong Kong delegation will comprise about 150 members including government officials, members of the Construction Industry Council and representatives from construction trade associations and professional institutions, as well as construction industry personnel, legal professionals and a Legislative Council member.

Accompanying Mr Wong to the forum will be Mr Hon; the Director of Civil Engineering and Development, Mr Lam Sai-hung; the Director of Water Supplies, Mr Wong Chung-leung; the Director of Architectural Services, Mrs Sylvia Lam; the Director of Drainage Services, Mr Edwin Tong; the Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services, Mr Alfred Sit; and the Deputy Secretary for Development (Works), Mr Francis Chau.

Mr Wong will return to Hong Kong in the evening on July 23. During his absence, the Under Secretary for Development, Mr Liu Chun-san, will be the Acting Secretary for Development.