## Project Final Report for Professional Services Advancement Support Scheme ("PASS")

1. **Project Details** 1.1 **Project Reference No.:** PS182002 1.2 **Project Title** Belt and Road Cross-Professional Advancement Programme 1.3 Grantee The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PolyU) **Collaborating** 1.4 (i) Nil Organisation(s) (ii) 1.5 **Implementation** Nil (i) Agent(s) (ii) Hong Kong Pei Hua Education Foundation **Sponsoring** (i) Organisation(s) (ii) Prof Albert CHAN - Programme Director 1.7 Consultant(s) (i) (ii) **Project Co-ordinator**: (Name) May LO (Post title) Assistant Director 1.8 1.9 **Deputy Project** Co-ordinator (Name) Meng Lei Monica CHEN (Post title) Senior Manager 1.10 Project Period 01/11/2018 to 31/3/2022 (41 months) (duration) from 1.11 Major Beneficiary Sector(s) Accounting-related, Legal, Building and Construction-related services 1.12 Approved PASS

**Grant (HK\$)** 

2,323,000

#### 2. Project Implementation

#### 2.1 Project Summary

(Please give a summary of the project including objectives, deliverables and target professional service sectors within 100 words.)

The project aims to meet the following objectives through a half-day conference, seven 1.5-day workshops and two half-day cross professional practices sharing and networking sessions:

- **Bridging the knowledge gap** by promoting an exchange of Belt and Road knowledge and sharing business experience among the Hong Kong professionals, especially in the areas of infrastructure development. The wide range of discussions and sharing in this programme will enhance participants' professional knowledge on areas such as the business practices, culture, law and regulations in the Belt and Road countries.
- Fostering a culture of collaboration to enable Hong Kong professionals and Mainland enterprises to "go out" and collaborate with their counterparts along the Belt and Road countries.
- Offering a robust, practical and accessible platform to facilitate Hong Kong professionals to exchange views on multilateral co-operation and new market opportunities arising from the Belt and Road Initiative.
- Offering unique networking opportunities for Hong Kong professionals, business leaders, industry experts and government officials from the Belt and Road countries to increase exchanges and explore market opportunities arising from the Belt and Road Initiative.

#### 2.2 Project Deliverables

(Please compare the actual results achieved with the agreed targets for each item.)

Agreed Targets		Actual Results Achieved (Please submit copies of all relevant supporting materials, e.g. proceedings, attendance records.)	
Date / Deliverables (with quantity)	Beneficiaries (estimated no. of local / non-local participants)	Date / Deliverables (with actual quantity)	Beneficiaries (actual no. of local / non-local participants)
01/12/2018 to 30/10/2019 One half-day conference in Hong Kong to enhance the	200 participants (including 140 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors	Completed 12/12/2018 One half-day conference	Over 650 participants (including 227 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)  (For total participants: 325% of target met)
knowledge of Hong Kong professionals on the latest developments and associated market opportunities of the Belt and Road countries/region and enhance exchange with business leaders	and 60 others such as senior executives from enterprises/ companies)		(For Hong Kong professionals: 162% of target met)
01/12/2018 to 30/10/2019 Seven 1.5-day workshops in Hong Kong to explore market opportunities	350 participants (including 245 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors and 105 others such as	Completed 25 - 26/01/2019  1st Workshop: "Feasibility Study on Belt and Road Projects"	40 participants (including 30 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)

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arising from the Belt and Road Initiative and enhance the capacity of Hong Kong professionals to participate in infrastructure development of the Belt and Road countries/regions (each includes at least two guest speaker sharing sessions and one lunch talk)	representatives from enterprises and other financial sectors)	15 - 16/02/2019  2nd Workshop: "Financing the Belt and Road Initiative"  29 - 30/03/2019  3rd Workshop: "Managing Risks in Belt and Road Projects"  14 - 15/06/2019  4th Workshop:	31 participants (including 22 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)  49 participants (including 32 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)  39 participants (including 20 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)	
		"Cross-Cultural Management of Belt and Road Projects"  30 - 31/08/2019	39 participants (including 30 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)	
		5 <sup>th</sup> Workshop: "International Project Management and Relational Contracting System"  20 - 21/09/2019	34 participants (including 30 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)	
		6 <sup>th</sup> Workshop: "Dispute Management and Law for International Project"	36 participants (including 25 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)	
		8 - 9/11/2019	(For total participants: 77% of target met)	
		7 <sup>th</sup> Workshop: "Integrated Project Management"	(For Hong Kong professionals: 77% of target met)	
01/12/2018	300 participants	Completed		
to 30/10/2019	(including 210 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal,	31/05/2019 1 <sup>st</sup> Session:	170 participants (including 85 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction	
Two 1.5-day sharing and networking sessions in	building and construction sectors	"Hong Kong as a Gateway to the	sectors	

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Hong Kong to promote cross-sector professional exchanges on Belt and Road projects	and 90 others such as representatives from enterprises)	Belt and Road Countries: Perspectives from Regional Leaders"  02/12/2021  2nd Session: "China's Perspective and Digital Economy in a Post-pandemic World"	180 participants (including 104 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)  (For total participants: 116% of target met)  (For Hong Kong professionals: 90 % of target met)

**2.3 Project Promotion and Dissemination**(Please compare the actual means used / outcomes with the agreed activities for each item.)

Agreed Activities	Actual Means Used / Outcomes (Please submit copies of all relevant supporting materials, e.g. posters, leaflets, invitation letters, publications, website printouts, dissemination e-mails, newsletters, feedback surveys and analysis.)
(a) For Project Promotion:	
Produce programme web-site, promotion leaflets/flyers, posters, programme brochure and promotion videos with programme snapshots and participant testimonials	Programme web-site was launched to introduce the programme to the general public. (https://www.polyu.edu.hk/iaee/for-individuals/belt-and-road-cross-professional-advancement-programme/).  Programme brochure and flyers were produced and distributed at the conference, workshops, and sharing sessions.
	Programme videos were produced and uploaded on web-site to share with the public the snapshots of the project activities.
Produce promotion materials for various channels Plan and implement relevant promotional campaign Invite target audiences to the	PolyU Knowledge Transfer and Entrepreneurship Office and Institute of Advanced Executive Education sent out the promotion materials to their business contacts and PolyU alumni of relevant faculties and departments.
programme  Recruit participants to the programme	Supporting organisations were invited to help disseminate the conference, workshops, and sharing session promotion materials to their members.
(b) For Dissemination of Projec	t Deliverables:
Uploading the training materials, video and speeches from the guest speakers of the conference, workshop, and sharing sessions to the website	The training materials and video of all deliverables were uploaded to PolyU OneDrive and the programme website.  https://polyuit-my.sharepoint.com/:f:/g/personal/bnrcpa_polyu_edu_hk/ EpZ99GYFT11Mn50S8FvLGO0BFPZZphXP4nvTremztBRotw? e=LByhMw

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	(https://www.polyu.edu.hk/en/iaee/for-individuals/belt-and-road-cr oss-professional-advancement-programme/)
	The link will be shared to all workshops participants
Conducting feedback survey	Feedback surveys were conducted at the end of all deliverables.

### 3. Achievements and Grantee's Evaluation of the Project

## 3.1 Number of participants and eligible beneficiaries

Pr	oject Deliverables	Eligible Number of Beneficiaries (if known)
(i)	One half-day conference	Over 650 participants
	(Competed on 12/12/2018)	(including 227 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)
(ii)	Seven 1.5-day workshops	
	<ul> <li>(a) 1<sup>st</sup> Workshop: "Feasibility Study on Belt and Road Projects"</li> <li>(Competed on 25 - 26/01/2019)</li> </ul>	40 participants (including 30 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)
	(b) 2 <sup>nd</sup> Workshop: "Financing the Belt and Road Initiative (Competed on 15 - 16/02/2019)	31 participants (including 22 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)
	(c) 3 <sup>rd</sup> Workshop: "Managing Risks in Belt and Road Projects" (Completed on 29 - 30/03/2019)	49 participants (including 32 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)
	(d) 4 <sup>th</sup> Workshop: "Cross-Cultural Management of Belt and Road Projects" (Completed on 14 - 15/04/2019)	39 participants (including 20 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)
	(e) 5 <sup>th</sup> Workshop: "International Project Management and Relational Contracting System" (Completed on 30 - 31/08/2019)	39 participants (including 30 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)
	(f) 6 <sup>th</sup> Workshop: "Dispute Management and Law for International Project" (Completed on 20 - 21/09/2019)	34 participants (including 30 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)
	(g) 7 <sup>th</sup> Workshop: "Integrated Project Management" (Completed on 8 - 9/11/2019)	36 participants (including 25 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)

#### (iii) Two half-day sharing and networking sessions

(a) 1st Session: "Hong Kong as a Gateway 170 participants to the Belt and Road Countries: Perspectives from Regional Leaders" (Completed on 31/05/2019)

(including 85 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)

(b) 2nd Session: "China's Perspective and 180 participants World" (Completed on 02/12/2021)

Digital Economy in a Post-pandemic (including 104 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors)

#### 3.2 Feedback from participants / users / professional services sectors

Overall the feedback was very positive. Over 93% of participants were satisfied with the teaching quality of the programme with an overall score of 4 or above on a 5-point scale.

Over 92% of participants were very satisfied with their learning experience with an overall score of 4 or above on a 5-point scale.

For overall gains in learning or development, over 90% of participants were very satisfied with an overall score of 4 or above on a 5-point scale.

For overall assessment of the programme, 92% of participants were very satisfied with an overall score of 4 or above on a 5-point scale.

Majority of the participants mentioned that the design of the programme was very comprehensive and unique. The participants were inspired by the academic knowledge of PolyU professors and the insightful sharing delivered by the renowned business leaders and industry professionals who have extensive experience in the Belt and Road projects. They also appreciated the information shared by the Consul Generals of different Belt and Road countries including Pakistan, Kazakhstan and Nigeria etc. during the lunch talks which has deepened their understanding of the business environment of the country. Moreover, participants particularly valued the networking sessions which have provided them excellent opportunities to explore multilateral collaboration.

#### 3.3 Dissemination of project deliverables to relevant professionals

25 supporting organisations were invited to help disseminate the promotion materials of the conference, workshops and sharing sessions to their members. They were invited to nominate their members to join all the activities. In total, over 600 Hong Kong professionals in accounting, legal, building and construction sectors have joined our Programme.

#### 3.4 PASS and other objectives reached (May choose more than one)

$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$	Increasing the exchanges and co-operation of Hong Kong's professional services with their counterparts in external markets
$\checkmark$	Promoting relevant publicity activities
$\checkmark$	Enhancing the standards and external competitiveness of Hong Kong's professional services
	Others

Please elaborate on how the objective(s) was/were met:

The Programme provided a platform where the PolyU's academic staff, the practitioners of Belt and Road projects and the government officials of Belt and Road countries can share the knowledge of Belt and Road with the target participants who were mainly Hong Kong professionals and thereby increased their competitiveness in the respective areas.

Through organizing a series of well-structured activities, the Programme participants who comprise professionals from legal, accounting, building and construction sectors as well as business leaders from Chinese state-owned enterprises with extensive Belt and Road experience exchanged views and practical experience, and arose interest towards Belt and Road initiative. This pave the way for cooperation in the future.

The Programme outcomes were also shared with members of over 25 professional bodies which are the supporting organizations of the Programme to promote Belt and Road initiative and the role of Hong Kong professionals in this initiative.

In addition, the Programme activities and deliverables were uploaded on PolyU's website for access to the public.

#### 3.5 Overall achievements of the project

Sponsored by Hong Kong Pei Hua Education Foundation and supported by 25 organizations and professional bodies, the Programme has successfully delivered all the activities as planned, i.e. one conference, seven workshops and two networking sessions. It engaged 1,268 participants (representing 149% of the target) of which 605 are professionals from the finance, accounting, construction, engineering and legal sectors (representing 102% of the target). More than 40 facilitators and guest speakers were invited to share with the participants their belt and road experiences and their valuable insights. The speakers were prominent business leaders from Chinese enterprises and international firms. Moreover, Consul Generals or representatives from Belt and Road countries including Pakistan, Kazakhstan, Malaysia, Nigeria and Russian were invited to share the latest development in their countries. Details of supporting organizations, participant and speaker profiles are listed as below.

#### List of Supporting Organizations:

	16. Institution of Public Private Partnerships
1. ACCA Hong Kong	17. Joint Mediation Helpline Office
2. Asian Academy of International Law	18. Mainland-Hong Kong Joint Mediation

- 3. Association of Consultant Quantity
  Surveyor
- 4. China International Contractors
  Association
- 5. China Real Estate Chamber of Commerce Hong Kong and International Chapter Limited
- 6. eBRAM Centre
- 7. Hong Kong Bar Association
- 8. Hong Kong Business Accountants
  Association
- 9. Hong Kong Construction Association
- 10. Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- 11. Hong Kong Institute of Urban Design
- 12. Hong Kong International Arbitration
  Centre
- 13. Hong Kong Mediation and Arbitration Centre
- 14. Hong Kong Mediation Centre
- 15. Hong Kong Professionals And Senior Executives Association

#### Center

- 19. Professional Insurance Brokers Association
- 20. The Association of Architectural Practices
- 21. The Association of Consulting Engineers of Hong Kong
- 22. The Hong Kong Chinese Enterprises Association
- 23. The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors
- 24. The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers
- <u>25. The Hong Kong Registered Contractors Association</u>

#### Participant Profiles:



#### PolyU Academia (in alphabetical order)

1. Ir. Prof. Albert P.C. Chan

Dean of Students, PolyU

Programme Director,

Belt and Road Cross-Professional Advancement Programme

2. Dr. Daniel Wai Ming Chan

Associate Professor and Associate Head (Teaching), Department of Building and Real Estate, PolyU

3. Prof. Edwin Chan

Professor,

Department of Building and Real Estate, PolyU

4. Dr. Chan Man Wai

Professor of Practice, Department of Building and Real Estate, PolyU

## 5. Ir Prof. T.C. Edwin Cheng Dean, Faculty of Business

# Dr. Chiang Yat Hung Adjunct Professor, Department of Building and Real Estate, PolyU

# 7. Prof. Eddie Hui, MH Professor and Associate Head, Department of Building and Real Estate, PolyU

# Prof. Patrick Lam Professor, Department of Building and Real Estate, PolyU

#### 9. Prof. Haitian Lu Associate Dean, (External Relations and Development), Faculty of Business, PolyU

# 10. Dr. Francis Ming Fung Siu Assistant Professor, Construction and Real Estate Management, Department of Building and Real Estate, PolyU

# 11. Prof. Xinpeng XuDirector,Faculty of Business - Belt and Road Centre, PolyU

# 12. Dr. Shaojun ZhangDeputy Director,Faculty of Business – Belt and Road Centre, PolyU

#### Guest Speakers (in alphabetical order)

International Companies	Chinese State-owned	Consul Generals or
	Enterprises	Representatives
1. Mr. Ben Bury	1. Mr. Chang Zhongjiao	1. Ms. Noor Ezzwanee Ahmad
Partner,	President,	Trade Commissioner,
Holman Fenwick Willan	State Grid Brazil Holding	Consulate General of
	S.A.	Malaysia - Trade Section,
2. Mr. Ajith Nivard Cabraal		MATRADE Hong Kong
The 12th Governor,	2. Dr. Qu Jian	
Central Bank of Sri Lanka,	Vice President, China	2. Mr. Abdul Qadir Memon
from July 2006 to January	Development Institute (CDI)	Consulate General of
2015.	-	Pakistan

- 3. Mr. Michael Camerlengo Partner, Infrastructure Advisory, KPMG
- 4. Mr. Joseph Chan Chairman, Silk Road Economic Development Research Center
- 5. Ir. Walter Chan
  Founder Member and
  Chairman, The Institution
  of Public Private
  Partnerships
- 6. Mr. Han Chen
  Senior Vice President,
  Analytics
  Guy Carpenter & Company,
  Limited, Hong Kong
- 7. Ms. Sarah Chin
  Chief Operating Officer, Tax
  & Legal, Deloitte Global
  Leader, Asia Pacific
  International Core of
  Excellence (APICE)
- 8. Ms. Heidi Chui Partner, Stevenson, Wong & Co.
- 9. Mr. Kelvin Ho
  Partner, Corporate Finance
  Advisory, Deloitte China
  China FA France Corridor
  Lead, Silk Connect, Deloitte
  Global
- 10. Mr. Gilbert Kwok Partner, Hong Kong, Clyde & Co
- 11. Mr. Derek Lai Vice Chair, Deloitte China Silk Connect Leader, Deloitte Global

- 3. Ms. Wang Weifang
  Deputy Director,
  Asset Finance Department
  China National Machinery
  Industry Co. Ltd. (Sinomach)
- 4. Mr. ZHANG Xinlin Chief Financial Officer, China Three Gorges South Asia Investment Limited
- Mr. Zhang Zhenyu
   Director, Vice President,
   China Everbest
   Development International
   Limited
- 6. Mr. Zhou Jiayi
  Executive Vice President,
  POWERCHINA
  International Group Limited

- 3. Mrs. Inex Omamoke Jaho-Herbert Consul of Nigeria
- 4. Mr. Igor I. Sagitov
  Consul General of the
  Russian Federation in the
  Hong Kong SAR and the
  Macao SAR, PRC.
- 5. Mr. Timur Temirkhanov Consul of Kazakhstan

12. Dr. Lai Yuk-fai, Stephen Managing Director, Rider Levett Bucknall Limited	
13. Mr. Daniel Lam, SBS, JP Chief Executive Officer, eBRAM Centre Limited	
14. Mr. James Law, JP Founder, Chairman and CEO, James Law Cybertecture	
15. Mr. Felix Lee Executive Director, UMP Healthcare Holdings	
16. Mr. Stephen Lee Chief Executive Officer, Chun Wo Construction Holdings Company Limited	
17. Mr. Thomas Leung Mainland China & HK Deputy Markets Leader and South China Markets Leader, PWC	
18. Ir. Alan M. F. Tam Project Controller (Construction), Hopewell Construction Company Limited	
19. Mr. Christopher Tan Corporate Finance and Capital Projects & Infrastructure Leader, PWC	
20. Mr. Michael Ross Vice Chairman, Charoen Pokphand Group	
21. Mr. Eliott Suen Executive Director, Marga Group	
22. Mr. Wang Bing Deputy Chief Executive, Bank of China (Hong Kong) Limited	

23. Ms. Jocelyn Wang
Chief Executive Officer and
Member of Board of
Directors,
CEB International

- 24. Mr. Caesar Wong
  Managing Director –
  China Business Services,
  RSM Tax Advisory (Hong
  Kong) Limited
- 25. Mr. Pat-Nie Woo Partner, Business Reporting and Sustainability, KPMG

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1	Mr	Nick	Chan	MH

- Chairman, eBRAM Centre
- 2. Sr Dick Kwok Ngok Chung President, The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors
- 3. Mr. Fang Qiuchen Chairman, China International Contractors Association
- 4. Mr. Eric Tong
  President, Hong Kong Institute of
  Certified Public Accountants

- Sr Augustine Wong Ho Ming Executive Director, Henderson Land Development Co. Limited
- 6. Mr. Peter M. K. Wong, BBS,JP Chairman, M K Corporation Ltd Deputy of the 12th National People's Congress
- 7. Mr. Yeung Yeung
  Director of the Department of
  Comprehensive
- 8. Ir Ringo S M Yu President, The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers

The Project Final Report is prepared by the Grantee.