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Cocktail Reception:

Who can deal with the urban decay problem in Hong Kong?

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Join us for an informative and engaging cocktail reception!

The upcoming cocktail reception is jointly presented by the Property, Infrastructure and Construction Interest Group (PICIG) and the Government and Public Sector Interest Group (GPSIG). The event will feature an insightful presentation themed "**Who can deal with the urban decay problem in Hong Kong?**" by the speaker from the Urban Renewal Authority.

Hong Kong faces significant challenges in urban decay due to limited financial and land reserves for urban renewal. To combat the issue, the Urban Renewal Authority has implemented proactive strategies and maintenance programmes to extend the service lifespan of aged buildings, ensuring they remain safe and habitable. The redevelopment is considered a last resort, reserved for buildings that are significantly deteriorated from a sustainability perspective.

Given Hong Kong's scarcity of land and housing, innovative solutions are essential. Effective land use planning, resource creation through land development, and enhancing building longevity through design and maintenance are critical challenges. The speaker will share practical and innovative approach to address these pressing issues.

Additionally, the event offers valuable networking opportunities to expand your professional network.

About the Event

Speaker

Ir. Wai Chi-sing, GBS, JP, FHKEng
Managing Director
Urban Renewal Authority

Date & Time

Thursday, 23 January 2025

6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Cocktail
7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Talk

Venue

Hong Kong Institute of CPAs
27th Floor, Wu Chung House,
213 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong

Language

Cantonese

Fee

\$240 (HKICPA member or student or IA)
\$410 (non-member)

CPD hour

1 hour

Competency*

Sustainability

Sub-competency*

Understanding the relevancy and applicability of sustainability to business

Rating*

Foundation level

* Details of [Competency and Rating](#) information

Registration

Enrolment Deadline

12:00 noon, 22 January 2025 (online) / 21 January 2025 (offline)

Registration

Enrol online or complete the enrolment form and return it with full payment by the enrolment deadline. Enrolment will be accepted on a first-come-first-served basis.

About the Speaker



Ir. Wai Chi-sing, GBS, JP, FHKEng **Managing Director** **Urban Renewal Authority**

Ir. Wai Chi-sing has been appointed as the Managing Director of the Urban Renewal Authority since 15 June 2016. By virtue of holding that office, he is also the Deputy Chairman of the Board. He has also been appointed as the Director of the Board of Urban Renewal Fund since 13 July 2016 and the Chairman of the Independent Monitoring Panel of the MTR Corporation Limited since 23 December 2022 to oversee the comprehensive review on asset management and maintenance regime.

Ir. Wai is an engineer by profession. He joined the Hong Kong Government in August 1980, and has since served in the Transport Department, the Highways Department, and the former Environment, Transport and Works Bureau. He was the Director of Highways from November 2006 to June 2010 and was Permanent Secretary for Development (Works) from June 2010 to April 2015 before retirement.

Ir. Wai holds a master's degree in transportation engineering from the Purdue University in the United States. He has professional experience in civil, structural and geotechnical engineering and is a fellow of the Hong Kong Academy of Engineering Sciences. In recognition of his professional achievements and contributions, he was awarded the Gold Medal 2023 by the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers, Honorary Fellow by the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors in 2023 and the Lifetime Achievement Award 2022 by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.

