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CIBSE HONG KONG REGION

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CIBSE Hong Kong Region Special Committee Meeting



The CIBSE Hong Kong Region Special Committee Meeting was held on 17 November 2025 with CIBSE CEO Ruth Carter and President-Elect Eurlng Prof Dave Cooper MBE as part of their delegation visit. During the meeting, committee members provided updates on key regional initiatives, including membership development, technical events, and young engineer engagement; illustrating the dedication and impact of Hong Kong's members.

The discussion offered a valuable opportunity for two-way exchange: CIBSE leadership shared global priorities and future directions; while CIBSE Hong Kong Region highlighted local achievements, challenges and opportunities in decarbonisation, digital innovation and skills development. This Special Committee Meeting further strengthened the connection between CIBSE United Kingdom and CIBSE Hong Kong Region and reaffirmed a shared commitment to supporting members and elevating the profession across the region.

Hong Kong Joint Symposium 2025





During the delegation visit, CIBSE CEO Ruth Carter and President-Elect Eurlng Prof Dave Cooper MBE attended the Hong Kong Joint Symposium 2025 on 18 November 2025. CIBSE Hong Kong Region co-organised the event with the HKIE Building Services Division and the ASHRAE Hong Kong Chapter, bringing together international and local experts to explore advancements in building services engineering around the theme "Revealing smart, resilient, and sustainable built environment: Innovating wellbeing and decarbonisation from design to operation".

The symposium featured an inspiring line-up of sessions covering smart systems, resilience, decarbonisation, building performance and occupant wellbeing across the full building lifecycle. Strong participation from CIBSE Hong Kong Region members and their partners showcased the depth of expertise in the local community and underlined the region's important role in leading knowledge exchange, driving innovation, fostering sustainability, and promoting continuous professional development across the wider building services industry.

Visit to Architectural Services Department



During the delegation visit, CIBSE CEO Ruth Carter and President-Elect Eurlng Prof Dave Cooper MBE alongside representatives from CIBSE Hong Kong Region, visited the Architectural Services Department (ArchSD) on 19 November 2025 to developments in the global built environment and areas for closer collaboration. The delegation was warmly received by the Director of ArchSD, Mr. Michael Li, and his team. It was a highly engaging discussion, with both sides valuing the opportunity to exchange insights, understand new initiatives and share experiences



from different markets and project contexts.

ArchSD expressed particular interest in the work of the CIBSE Society of Vertical Transportation (SoVT) and the ongoing advancements in this vital area of building services engineering, which plays a key role in safety, accessibility and user experience in high-rise cities like Hong Kong. CIBSE and ArchSD look forward to continued collaboration and knowledge sharing, supporting innovation and excellence across the public works sector and the wider building services community.





Visit to Electrical and Mechanical Services Department

CIBSE visited the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD) Headquarters in Kowloon Bay on 17 November 2025, led by CIBSE CEO Ruth Carter and President-Elect Eurlng Prof Dave Cooper MBE alongside representatives from CIBSE Hong Kong Region. The delegation was warmly received by the Director of EMSD, Mr. Raymond Poon, and his team. It was an in-depth discussions on the future of engineering talents and the role of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in enhancing overall engineering efficiency.

During the visit, Ruth Carter and Eurlng Prof Dave Cooper MBE also presented two CIBSE Society of Digital Engineering (SDE) Awards 2025 to EMSD: the SDE Award for Best Use of Technology in the Built Environment, and the Overall Digital Champion Award, in recognition of EMSD's outstanding achievements in digital innovation within the built environment.

The visit was a fantastic opportunity to share insights on Hong Kong's latest advancements in energy efficiency and green technologies, with EMSD showcasing pioneering initiatives that support a smarter and more sustainable built environment. This knowledge exchange further strengthened the vital link between CIBSE and EMSD and underscored their shared commitment to advancing the engineering profession for a more sustainable future.







Visit to Hong Kong Institution of Engineers







On 19 November 2025, CIBSE CEO Ruth Carter and President-Elect Eurlng Prof Dave Cooper MBE accompanied by CIBSE Hong Kong Region representatives to the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers (HKIE), where we met Ir Prof Frank Chan Fan, Senior Vice President of HKIE. The meeting was arranged to discuss the new reciprocal agreement between CIBSE and HKIE, with mutual recognition of CIBSE engineers in Hong Kong.

Key themes included addressing the skills gap, inspiring more young people to join the profession and exploring how artificial intelligence (AI) will shape the future of engineering practice. CIBSE Hong Kong Region underlined the importance of outreach, mentoring and future-ready training, and looks forward to working closely with HKIE to nurture the next generation of building services engineers in Hong Kong.

Visit to Macau Institution of Engineers

During the delegation visit, CIBSE CEO Ruth Carter and President-Elect Eurlng Prof Dave Cooper MBE alongside representatives from CIBSE Hong Kong Region, visited to the Macau Institution of Engineers (MIE) on 21 November 2025. The delegation was warmly received by MIE representatives and engaged in constructive discussions on professional standards, regional collaboration and opportunities to support engineers working across the Greater Bay Area.

A key highlight of the visit was the formal signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between MIE and CIBSE, marking a new chapter of closer cooperation in technical exchange, professional development, young engineer activities and mutual recognition of professional qualifications. The signing, symbolises our shared commitment to deepening links between Hong Macau Kong, and the wider engineering community, and to supporting the continued internationalisation of the profession in the region.







Visit to Property Management Services Authority



On 19 November 2025, CIBSE CEO Ruth Carter and President-Elect Eurlng Prof Dave Cooper MBE alongside representatives from CIBSE Hong Kong Region, met with Mr. Alan Siu Yu Bun, Chief Executive Officer of the Property Management Services Authority (PMSA). The visit created a valuable platform to discuss the evolving role of property and facilities management in delivering safe, sustainable and high-performing buildings across Hong Kong.

The discussion reaffirmed shared priorities around professional competence, regulatory expectations and continuous development, building on PMSA's recognition of CIBSE as a professional body. Both organisations acknowledged the need to respond to decarbonisation, digital technologies and changing user expectations, with CIBSE committed to closer collaboration with PMSA to support practitioners and uplift standards in the sector.

Visit to Department of Cooperation & Exchange, Guangdong Provincial Association for Science & Technology

On 20 November 2025, CIBSE CEO Ruth Carter and President-Elect Eurlng Prof Dave Cooper MBE alongside representatives from CIBSE Hong Kong Region, visited Chairman Zhou and senior leaders at the Department for Cooperation and Exchange the Guangdong Provincial of Association for Science and Technology (GPAST) in Guangzhou. The meeting provided an excellent opportunity for Hong Kong Region to share local experience and to better understand the priorities of Guangdong's engineering community.

Conversation focused on mutual recognition of members, reciprocal arrangements to share best practice and future opportunities for cross-border collaboration in the Greater Bay Area. Both parties recognised the importance of knowledge exchange, talent development and joint activities, highlighting shared commitment to innovation, professional excellence and sustainable growth, with CIBSE Hong Kong Region acting as a key bridge connecting practitioners in Hong Kong with engineers in Guangdong under CIBSE's global network.





Reception at British Consulate General Hong Kong









CIBSE hosted a reception at the British Consulate General on 19 November 2025, bringing together officials, industry leaders and friends of the region. The event was graced by two Guests of Honour — Mr. Victor Tai, and Mr. Stephen McLean — whose presence made the evening especially memorable. The reception provided a warm and engaging platform for local members to connect with the visiting delegation, strengthen ties with United Kingdom counterparts, and recognise the vital contribution of building services professionals to Hong Kong's development.

Discussions highlighted CIBSE's global initiatives and the future of building performance, with a strong focus on innovation, digitalisation and sustainability in delivering low-carbon, high-quality buildings. The evening also reinforced the importance of global collaboration and professional exchanges within the engineering community. CIBSE extends sincere appreciation to the British Consulate General and all guests for their support, and looks forward to continuing this meaningful collaboration for the benefit of our members and the wider engineering community.

(Nishing you a prosperous and memorable year ahead!

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