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Dear Sirs

## Proposed Establishment of a Harbourfront Authority Phase II Public Engagement Consultation

The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors (HKIS) strongly supports the proposal for the establishment of a dedicated Harbourfront Authority to protect, preserve and enhance the Victoria Harbour and its harbourfront areas. We share the same vision of the Harbourfront Commission and the Development Bureau to create an attractive, vibrant, green, accessible and sustainable harbourfront for the benefit and enjoyment of all the citizens of Hong Kong.

The HKIS in general supports the broad framework and functions as proposed for the Harbourfront Authority (HFA). In particular, we welcome the idea of a closer liaison and collaboration among HFA, the Government, non-government organisations, professional bodies and the private sector, which will ensure a broad-based representation and participation in all stages of project development. The HKIS believes that surveyors possess the expertise to make invaluable contributions towards the development and management of the harbourfront and the input and contribution of surveyors would help develop and transform Hong Kong into one of the iconic harbourfront cities in the world. The HKIS urges the proposed membership composition of the future HFA would comprise representatives of HKIS to serve in the HFA.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Yours faithfully

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