

President's Message

The American Society of Civil Engineers - Greater China Section (ASCE-GCS) had developed wonderfully after transforming from ASCE Hong Kong Section on 05 November 2019. I deeply appreciate our Immediate Past President, Dr. Jack C.P. Cheng, for his superb leadership and all Section Officers for their significant contributions in helping us sail through this crucial foundation year, particularly under the very challenging pandemic situation.

Civil engineering is everything you see that has been built around us! Therefore, it is clear that the Greater China region has been experiencing one of the fastest development processes toward the built environment. The goal of ASCE-GCS is to provide essential supports to serve our members, partners, and the public good within this dynamic movement. To achieve this goal, it requires us to encourage technology advancement, assist members' lifelong learning, promote professionalism within the industry, help developing engineer leaders, and advocate infrastructure and environmental stewardship.

With the resources and supports from the ASCE Headquarters, we should take suitable opportunities to confer and make suggestions concerning policy matters both at the local level and upwards through our ASCE-GSC platform. We will continue to provide educational activities of professional and/or technical nature for our members. A unique opportunity within the ASCE family is to cooperate with other Sections, if not also with other local engineering societies, in matters of common interest. Moreover, our very well-developed International Student Groups (ISG) have performed excellently in nurturing our future civil engineers, and we will keep assisting ISG development and encouraging inter-group collaborations.

I understand it will not be easy to carry out development tasks for professional societies during this pandemic period. However, I firmly believe that we should move forward in whatever ways we can to continue the good momentum, either in a big or small step, of our successful transformation to ASCE-GCS platform. I genuinely thank you for your continuing support for ASCE-GCS, and I look forward to working closely with you to further enrich the impact of this platform.

Yours sincerely,

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