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Technical Seminar on

# **Resilient Infrastructure**

by

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Date of Seminar: 21 April 2015 (Tuesday)

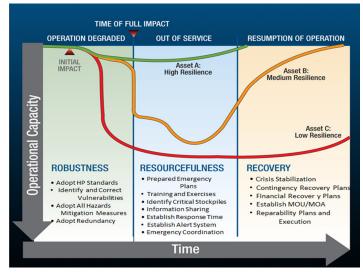
Time: 6:45 pm - 8:00 pm

Venue: Lecture Theatre A, Chow Yei Ching Building, HKU (map attached)

#### Abstract:

Recent natural and man-made disasters illustrate the importance of building civil infrastructure that can withstand extreme events, such as earthquakes, hurricanes, fire and floods. This approach, known as infrastructure resilience, is discussed in this presentation, along with the ways in which asset owners can effectively respond to these catastrophes and quickly restore the normal operation of these infrastructures.

This presentation provides an overview of different kinds of



hazards and other undesirable events, addresses what makes a structure resilient, summarizes the cascading effects of natural and man-made disasters, and highlights the unintended consequences of aging infrastructures.

In order to efficiently achieve infrastructure resilience, three key components are needed and discussed at length in this presentation. They include: robust, resourcefulness, and rapid recovery. Some recent projects in US for improving resilience of infrastructure are presented as case studies. The purpose of this presentation is to provide guidance for infrastructure resilience efforts in the coming years.

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#### About the Speaker:

**Mr.** Ye received a Bachelor Degree in 1992 from Tongji University in China, and a Master Degree in 1998 from University at Buffalo. Since 1998, Mr. Ye has been working in US on large scale infrastructure projects. He has completed seismic and wind retrofits of many long span bridges; performed fatigue and fracture investigation of many steel bridges; mitigated bridge vibration problems under traffic or pedestrians; designed a 5-km long elevated rail viaduct that consists of U-shape precast concrete segments; rehabilitated many deteriorated bridges and subway tunnels; and participated in the design of a new subway station at the old World Trade Center site. In addition, Mr. Ye has performed many forensic investigations of bridge and retaining wall failures; progressive collapse analysis of different types of bridges; and security hardening of bridges and tunnels.

\*\* CPD attendance certificates will be issued at the end of the event \*\*

### Registration and Enquires:

- 1. The seminar is free and no prior registration is required. Capacity of the theatre is 120. Seating will be arranged on a first-come-first-serve basis.
- 2. For enquiry, please contact Mr. Paul Cheung via email: paulctk1605@hotmail.com

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