

The Hong Kong Institute of Planners & The Urban Planning Society of China

Discovery for Low Carbon Cities: Geoconservation & GeoPark (23/05/2009)

A two-days seminar on "Planning for Low Carbon Cities" was organized by The Hong Kong Institute of Planners & The Urban Planning Society of China on 22nd and 23 of May 2009. The 2nd day of the seminar was originally scheduled for a geo-trip in High Island & Ma Shi Chau with AGHK guides. The trip was subsequently cancelled due to bad weather and it was replaced by a geoconservation talk by AGHK. Participants of the seminar from abroad including representatives from Australia and mainland China enjoyed the talk despite of the sudden change of programme.

Chairman of AGHK, Mr. Young Ng focused his talk on Geodiversity, Geoconservation & Geopark (3Gs) which was considered by most audience a "very new" concept. Mr. Ng encouraged guests to impart these geoconservation concept in their future town planning projects. He also cited a good example whereby AGHK works in conjunction with the Housing Department of Hong Kong in planning a new estate.

During the Q&A session, a question was raised on details of tour guides operation of GeoPark. Mr. Ng presented his view with emphasis for the need of proper training and accreditation for both "guides" & "vessel operators" before putting in actual operation.

香港規劃師學會及中國城市規劃學會聯合舉辦爲期兩天的「共建低炭都市國際級研討會」,並邀請本會於第二天的生態活動中帶領參加者往萬宜東壩及馬屎洲。因天雨關係,大會以安全理由,改在室內進行「地質保育講座」。出席講座的參加者來自不同國家包括澳洲及中國大陸等專業人士,他們沒因天雨未能進行生態之旅而影響了心情。

講座中本會主席吳振揚介紹「3Gs」概念,該概念包括 geodiversity、geoconservation、geopark,即地質多樣性、地質保育及地質公園,參加者對這個「3Gs」概念感覺很新鮮。吳主席另以本會與香港房屋署合作在屋苑建設中加入地質保育元素爲例子,希望各規劃師可以將保育概念加重在未來的規劃項目中。



在答問時間中,有參加者想了解地質公園導賞員的安排,吳主席強調所有導賞員及船隻操作員除經嚴格訓練外,必需有適當認証方可運作。

Volunteers/鳴謝義工: Young Ng, Sam Ho, Andy Leung, Jacquline Chung, Cindy Choi, Hidy Tsang









The talk / 講說中









Q & A – Why & How /答問中 – 爲什麼?.....如何做到?.....



Thank You / 謝謝