

Housing Authority to utilise innovative technology to enhance site safety (with photos)

The Safety Forum for Works and Property Management Services 2024, organised by the Hong Kong Housing Authority (HA), the Occupational Safety and Health Council and the Construction Industry Council, was held today (July 31) to promote site safety awareness.

Addressing the opening ceremony, the Permanent Secretary for Housing, Miss Rosanna Law, said that to cope with increasing housing production and create a safe working environment for frontline personnel, the HA has been incorporating smart site technology in works contracts to help project teams manage and monitor work procedures more effectively, ensuring efficiency and safety along the construction process.

"The HA will utilise smart technology more extensively in the future to enhance site monitoring and improve site safety. I hope that our business partners share our core value of caring, and strive to promote site safety and health, and encourage caring about frontline workers," Miss Law said.

The theme of the Forum this year is "Enhancing Occupational Safety and Health by Risk Management, Innovation and Technology". The event invited industry professionals to share information and exchange experiences, encouraging stakeholders to properly implement risk management to control foreseeable risks and promote the use of technology to strengthen site and safety management.

The Forum was held physically and was broadcast online, enabling safety information to be widely shared with industry practitioners. Participants included works contractors, property services agents, cleaning and security service providers, representatives of supporting organisations, industry practitioners, academia, and works and estate management staff of the HA.

This year marks the 18th consecutive year of the Forum, which has been consistently supported by a number of government departments, professional organisations, trade associations and labour unions, providing a regular platform for members of the industry to share experiences and best practices for safety. Over the years, the Forum has enhanced safety awareness at all levels, from management to frontline staff, towards fostering a safety culture with the ultimate goal of achieving "zero incidents".

