

HKIE Electronics Division Annual Dinner 2005



Toast to the guests by the Electronics Division Committee

On 18th, March 2005, the serenity in the early evening at the Li Hua Restaurant of Lee Theatre Plaza was very much contrasted by a felicitous party starting at 6:00 pm. Upon the arrival of many important guests and hosts of HKIE Electronics Division, cheers and chats filled every corner of the hall. VIPs were many, and of a wide variety, namely government officials, renowned industrialists, heads of professional associations and professors of leading local universities. Among the VIPs were Legco members Ir. Dr. Raymond Ho and Mr. C K Sin; Director General Mr. Chu Zhinong and Division Chief Mr. Cao Guoying of Education, Science & Technology Department, Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the HKSAR, Ir. M H Au of OFTA, Ir. S H Lai of EMSD, and many others.

Electronics industry contributes over HK\$50b exports, representing one third of Hong Kong's total exports. The Dinner is an annual significant event of HKIE Electronics Divisions, during which past and present chairmen network with division executive members, celebrities and practitioners in the field. It is a gathering of influential key persons of electronics industry and the HK community at large. In the latest Annual Dinner, Ir S W Cheung, vice chairman of the Division kicked off the program via the role of master of ceremony. He gave the dinner program a fantastic starter by inviting Ir & Mrs. W K Lo of FHKI to perform " pipa" with Chinese opera singing. Famous equally for his entrepreneurial brilliance and artistic talent, Ir. Dr. Lo won a big applause of the audience. Before the dinner, the gathering was further benefited from Ir. Dr K B Chan's presentation on Green Manufacturing requirements to be imposed by European Union. The message is crucial for making commitments really matter to customers and thus the exports strength of Hong Kong. Ir. Dr. Chan emphasized that changes would be necessary for survival. He also leads by example of getting his own company SMT ready to compile with new standards.

The wonderful Dinner program did not end until 10:30 pm. Many chats and networks built among the intellectual group will translate into driving forces, forces for changes ever needed in the electronics industry -- to meet and even exceed customer requirements, to innovate and to excel.