

Construction Law Task Force meetings

Meetings of the LARC and COPA Study Groups were held at The University of Hong Kong. The meetings reviewed recent activities and developments, while planning future initiatives. The CICID initiated Study Group on Legal Aspects of Relational Contracting (LARC) met at HKU at 2.30 pm on 07 May 2008. The meeting was conducted by the Joint Co-ordinators Mohan Kumaraswamy (HKU) and Jim Mason (University of the West of England). Gary Soo, Sam Chan, Thomas Ng and other LARC members were also present, as in the photos. Up-dates on recent activities were shared; Jim Mason presented an overview of the relative range of contractual partnering elements in commonly used and currently available contract forms; and plans were made for joint work and publications. The CICID initiated Study Group on “Comparative Study on Enforcement of Payment and Adjudication in Construction Contracts in Singapore, Hong Kong and Mainland China” (COPA) met at HKU at 3.30 pm on 07 May 2008. The meeting was conducted by Joint Co-ordinator Gary Soo, while Jim Mason (University of the West of England), Sam Chan, Mohan Kumaraswamy, and other COPA members were also present, as in the photos. Up-dates on recent papers, a short course at HKU (by Philip Chan and Gary Soo) and the research project for the Ministry of Construction, China (being worked on by Wu Jin), were followed by updates for comparison from the UK, by Jim Mason, on adjudication, the ‘fair payment campaign, and an initiative to facilitate the payments of specialist contractors.