

Fourth Feasibility study trip to Wangdong Bridge (2 – 3 Mar 2019)

Reflection

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This was the fourth time I joined the study trip of Wangdong bridge. The team aimed to acquire construction details of the suspension design of the Wangdong bridge this time and my role was to ask the local contractor, Mr. Wei (韋老闆) questions on his proposed design until the team could grasp the idea clearly.

The meeting with the local contractor started as soon as we arrived RongShui (融水). At first, I was a bit shy and too cautious. I feared that I would seem relentless if I asked too many questions on his design. Luckily, as the discussion became heated, I became more relaxed in asking questions. Mr. Wei was also patient and friendly enough to clear the team's doubt. At last, team was able to grasp Mr. Wei's idea on the method of construction.

The two-day trip was very rewarding as this was the first time that I could discuss a real design with a designer. The way to acquire a piece of critical information; the way to present ideas using hand-sketching; and the way to go through every detail without any ambiguities; are some of the treasures of this trip. All in all, the trip was very rewarding, and I looked forward to joining the next trip.