



## Prizes and Awards

### The HKIE Gold Medal 2005 - Ir Dr Cheng Hon-kwan



The HKIE Gold Medal 2005 has been presented at the 30th Annual Dinner of the Institution which was successfully held on 31 March 2005. This year, the award goes to Ir Dr Cheng Hon-kwan.

Ir Dr Cheng Hon-kwan was the winner of the HKIE Gold Medal Award this year. The selection criteria were precise and rigorous. The Panel of Judges considered all candidates' achievements in as well as their contributions to the profession and to the community. The most distinguished person was selected for the Award in recognition for his commendable achievement.

Ir Dr Cheng is a civil and structural engineer by profession with over fifty years of experience in the field. His outstanding achievement has received a worldwide recognition. He was the first Hong Kong recipient of the Fellowship of the City and Guilds of London Institute. Ir Dr Cheng was also awarded the Gold Medal of the Institution of Structural Engineers (UK) in 2002. He was the only Chinese structural engineer ever to receive the Award since it was established in 1922.

Ir Dr Cheng has devoted his utmost for the betterment of the society and has contributed greatly to engineering profession in practical works. He was the member of the Executive and Legislative Councils, and he chaired the Councils of the City University of Hong Kong and the Open University of Hong Kong.

Ir Dr Cheng has extensive experience in public services and has taken up the chairmanship of many advisory boards and committees. He was the Chairman of Hong Kong Housing Authority, Transport Advisory Committee, Land and Building Advisory Committee, Applied Research Council and Curriculum Development Council.

Besides concentrating on his practical works, Ir Dr Cheng is striving hard for nourishing talents in engineering field. He was the Adjunct Professor, Visiting Professor and Hon Professor of many universities. Over the years, Ir Dr Cheng has been playing an active role in several professional institutions. He was the Past President of the HKIE, the Vice President of the IStrucTE, and the Hon Member of the Hong Kong Institute of Planners.