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The Chartered Institute of Housing with its headquarters in the United Kingdom, is a professional organization for people practicing in housing. The Institute offers training and education, provides professional advice and disseminates up-to-date technical information to housing practitioners. At the same time it also serves as a useful forum for its members and a platform for national and local speakers through its 13 branches in the United Kingdom and overseas to discuss housing issues. Its 18,000 members of various grades work in local housing and related authorities, housing associations, educational bodies, private sector and non-government organizations. Its membership is open to those with interest to pursue enhancement in housing practice.

The Hong Kong Branch of the Institute was first established in 1966 as a society under the Societies Ordinance. It was then registered under the Companies Ordinance as an overseas representative office of the Institute in 1988. The Branch was renamed as the Asian Pacific Branch in 2001 and also changed its Chinese name in 2003. It has now a membership of over 2,100.

The Branch assists the Institute in validating academic courses which provide professional qualification examinations to course members for admission as a professional member of the Institute subject to the completion of Practical Experience Requirements. The Branch also coordinates professional housing management training courses. It has participated with the School of Professional and Continuing Education of the University of Hong Kong in running the Diploma Course in Housing Management since 1968 and the





Certificate of Housing Practice Course later. Participation in running other quality educational courses in property/housing management include those offered by the City University of Hong Kong and other academic/vocational institutions in Hong Kong and other Asian Pacific areas.

The Branch continues to expand its services and project its image as a hub in the Asian Pacific Region. It is active in extending its professional links as well as fostering friendship and connections with China and other Asian Pacific Rim cities and countries through visits and information exchange. Recently it has embarked on a joint project with the Shenzhen Research Student Center of Tsing Hua University and Hong Kong Housing Society to organize a course for property management practitioners.

The major objectives and functions of the Branch are:

1. To promote the science and art of housing.
2. To maximize the contribution of the housing profession to the well being of the community.
3. To raise the profile of the Branch as an accessible professional body and to promote the management of properties by well trained and qualified housing professionals.
4. To recognize and respond to diversity and changes in housing and to share best practices among housing professionals.
5. To provide training opportunities for acquisition and dissemination of up-to-date technical information and professional knowledge for the purpose of improving housing management standards.
6. To comment and provide suggestions on public consultation papers on housing and to cooperate with other professional bodies in Hong Kong to influence housing policy.
7. To develop Asian Pacific links through experience sharing as well as training and disseminate the knowledge of best housing practices.
8. To project the image of the Branch as the hub of the Asian Pacific Region and to widen connections with housing professionals in the Asian Pacific Region.
9. To organize conventions, meetings, and discussion forums with a view to further enhancing housing management in all aspects.
10. To publish newsletters, books and publications to promote the objectives of the Branch.

英國特許房屋經理學會是一個房屋管理的專業團體，它的總部設於英國。學會的設立在於議定各項房屋管理政策，推廣房屋管理同業的良好專業操守，教育及培訓房屋管理人材，以至專業發展等。學會同時給予會員專業指導及資訊，及透過英國和海外十三個分會的安排為各地會員交流房屋管理的知識和經驗。現時學會有不同類別的會員約一萬八千人，為不同的公營房屋管理機構、教育團體、私人機構及非政府團體服務。學會的會員資格是公開予有志從事房屋管理實務的人士申請。

英國特許屋宇經理學會香港分會於一九六六年根據社團條例成立，而在一九八八年根據公司條例註冊為學會海外代表。更在二零零一年，將香港分會改名為亞太分會，分會的中文名稱於二零零三年更改為“英國特許房屋經理學會亞太分會”。現時分會會員有二千一百多名。

分會協助總會為專業資格考試的學員修讀的課程進行認證。考試合格的學員經完成實習經驗後可申請為專業會員。亞太分會亦積極參與提供房屋管理的專業訓練。自一九六八年起，學會參與香港大學專業進修學院舉辦的房屋管理文憑課程及近年推出的房屋實務證書課程。此外，亞太分會亦參與香港城市大學及香港的學術/職業訓練院校及亞太區教育機構舉辦的優質物業/房屋管理課程。

亞太分會繼續推廣服務至亞太地區，提升分會成為亞太地區中心的形象。分會先後透過友好訪問，積極促進學會與亞太區專業團體的友誼及擴闊相互聯繫網絡。近日，分會更與深圳清華大學的學生研究院和香港房屋協會聯合舉辦一項“現代信息化物業管理研修班”。

分會的主要目的和工作為：

- 1 推廣房屋管理事務的專業技巧。
- 2 加強從事房屋管理事務人士對社群作出的貢獻。
- 3 提高分會的專業組織地位，藉此推廣房屋管理事務的工作需要受過正式訓練及具備專業資格的人員擔任。
- 4 適應不斷求變的房屋管理事務及與同業分享最佳專業技術知識。
- 5 為各會員在技術和知識上提供培訓機會，提高他們的專業水平。
- 6 對房屋事務的諮詢文件提供專業意見，並就房屋政策與本地各團體及人士保持合作關係。
- 7 透過經驗分享、培訓及傳播最佳房屋專業技術訊息，謀求發展亞太區內房屋管理事務的合作關係。
- 8 塑造分會成為亞太區的中心，藉此擴闊各亞太區成員的聯繫。
- 9 舉辦各種研討會及專題演講、組織考察團及其他形式的活動，以促進專業知識的交流。
- 10 出版各類通訊刊物及書籍，以推廣分會的目標。

