Distinguished seminar on Internet of Things (IoT)

PolyU's Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering (ISE) and Department of Computing (COMP) co-organized a distinguished seminar on the Internet of Things (IoT) with GS1 Hong Kong on 12 November 2012. The event was held at the PolyU Hotel ICON.

Ir Prof. Alex Wai, Vice President (Research Development), and Ms Anna Lin, Chief Executive Officer of GS1 Hong Kong, delivered welcome addresses for the seminar. In his welcome address, Prof. Alex Wai reiterated PolyU's commitment to excel through professional education, applied research, and partnership. He said, "This seminar and collaboration provide a good example on academic-industrial collaboration for the betterment of our society. PolyU is committed to fostering 'Innovation and Application' through professional education, applied research, and partnership." He also congratulated the outstanding achievements of PolyU students who received two Gold and two Silver awards in the recent Hong Kong U-21 RFID Awards 2012. He also applauded the two major awards the students achieved in the Hong Kong-Taiwan EPC/RFID Academia Awards 2012 (香港-台灣大專學界 EPC/RFID 大獎 2012).

The key speaker was Prof. John Williams, Director of MIT Auto-ID Lab. He is a world-renowned professor recently recognized as one of the 50 most powerful people in computer networks. He shared his views and experiences on the Internet of Things (IoT) through his insightful talk, "Challenges in Internet of Things, Big Data and Cyber Security." Two local speakers also delivered meaningful discussions. Mr K.K. Suen, Chief Architect and Principal Consultant of GS1 Hong Kong, discussed the topic "Embracing Internet of Things, Embracing a Smarter Life." Ir Paul W.K. Wu, Senior Manager of Airport Authority Hong Kong, delivered a talk on "RFID Applications in HKIA." Finally, Dr W.H. Ip, Associate Professor of the ISE Department, and Dr Henry Chan, Associate Professor of the COMP Department, shared with the audience the award-winning RFID projects of PolyU students. The list of prominent guests included Ir Prof. H.C. Man, Dean of the Faculty of Engineering, and Ir Prof. K.C. Chan, Acting Head of the ISE Department. Both guests also expressed their support for the seminar, as well as praised the students for their outstanding performance in the two competitions.

In the recent Hong Kong U-21 RFID Awards 2012, PolyU students won two Gold Awards and two Silver Awards. They also won the Best Potential Application Awards (最具潛質應用大獎) and the Most Innovative Awards (最具創意大獎) in the recent Hong Kong-Taiwan EPC/RFID Academia Awards 2012 (香港-台灣大專學界 EPC/RFID 大獎 2012).

Group Photo: Dr W.H. Ip (1ˢᵗ left), Dr Henry Chan (2ⁿᵈ left), Ir Paul W.K. Wu (6ᵗʰ left), Ms Anna Lin (6ᵗʰ right), Ir Prof. Alex Wai (5ᵗʰ right), Prof. John Williams (4ᵗʰ right), Mr K.K. Suen (3ʳᵈ right), Ir Prof. H.C. Man (2ⁿᵈ right), and Ir Prof. K.C. Chan (1ˢᵗ right).

Speakers and guests are building networking.

Ms Anna Lin, Chief Executive Officer of GS1 Hong Kong, delivering an insightful presentation to the audience.