

Five leading Environmental Engineering research institutes in Asia signed a Memorandum of Understanding in Singapore on October 30, 2001. Professor Herbert H. P. Fang, Chair of Environmental Engineering of the Department of Civil Engineering, The University of Hong Kong, represented the Centre for Environmental Engineering Research in the signing of the Memorandum. The other four institutes included Korean Advanced Institute of Science and Technology, Nanyang Technological University, National Taiwan University, and University of Tokyo. The objective of the Memorandum is to promote direct contact and co-operation among the faculty and research staff of the institutes through visits/interchange of staff/post-graduates for research and teaching, exchange of technical information, and conducting joint research activities. As a first step, Nanyang Technological University is organising a symposium for staff and students of the five institutes in December 2002.