

CIO Board Study Mission to World Expo 2010

The CIO Board, in conjunction with Cisco (Hong Kong) organized a study mission to World Expo in Shanghai on 25–26 June. The delegation included CIO Board Members and Cisco key users. The highlight of the mission was the visit to Cisco Pavilion. The delegate was received by Fred Fung, Cisco Greater China CIO, and Cisco Pavilion's manager.

The group was first greeted by a virtual receptionist via Teleprescene, followed by two video presentations illustrating the use of integrated technologies and systems in delivering comprehensive and integrated service in “smart connectivity” in the community.

Very impressive real time and real life demonstrations of such technologies and their applications were then conducted – such applications included remote medical diagnosis, eLearning and virtual class rooms, integrated home devices management, and simulations of location-based crisis and incidents management.

The delegation was then shown the latest “Cloud”, “virtualized” and energy saving platform and infrastructure. The visit concluded with a presentation and discussion on the use of technologies and inter-connectivity in various “smart” and “e” initiatives for a city and in community, and their impacts related to Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR). The delegates actively engaged in the discussions which led to the suggestion that CIO Board should urge the government to initiate similar projects in Hong Kong.

During the 2 day visits, the delegate also visited the Australia Pavilion (through the courtesy of Telstra and CSL), the China Pavilion, and a few other pavilions. The mission not only allowed CIO Board members to visit the World Expo, it also provided good opportunities for networking.

The CIO Board would like to express its appreciation to Cisco (Hong Kong) for hosting the delegation.



Photo 1 - HKCS Delegation at the Cisco Pavilion



Photo 2 - Delegates after discussion on "Smart and Connected Communities" and CSR