



## Aviation Services Research Centre (ASRC) Phase One Opening Ceremony

The Opening Ceremony of Phase One of the Aviation Services Research Centre (ASRC) was held on 13 Nov 2013, organised by The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PolyU), supported by Boeing Research & Technology (Boeing), Civil Aviation Department (HKCAD), Innovation & Technology Council (ITC), HAECO and HAESL.

The ASRC Phase One is located at the basement of PolyU's Industrial Centre. In the future an additional 3,000 metre-square workshop is to be built on the campus. This will require the demolition of an existing building to make way for the construction of ASRC workshop.

"The Aviation Services Research Centre will further enhance Hong Kong's leading position as a world-class service provider of MRO (Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul) and steer the development of aviation related industries in China," said Professor Timothy W. Tong.

HAESL has subscribed to Tier 1 membership of the ASRC and attended several ASRC Board and Technical Committee meetings hosted by PolyU and Boeing since its formation.

The ASRC has secured funding support from the Innovation and Technology Fund (ITF) for some aviation services research projects like multi axis probing new technology and adaptive machining on aero engine components. The ASRC has further submitted a second wave of projects for additional ITC funding.

The ASRC will bridge the gap between academic research findings and industrial exploitation in advanced MRO technologies and applications. HAESL will continuously work with PolyU IC and ASRC to deliver some projects as well as to train the manpower to meet HAESL's business needs.



Mick Brown General Manager Operations (4<sup>th</sup> from left) pictured with the representatives of other participating organizations