## Hong Kong section of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link Independent Expert Panel

## **Chairman**

Mr Justice Hartmann served in the Hong Kong Judiciary for over 20 years, retiring as Justice of Appeal in the summer of 2012. However, he remains a Non-Permanent Judge of the Court of Final Appeal and chairs two tribunals that assist in the governance of Hong Kong's securities industry: the Securities and Futures Appeals Tribunal and the Market Misconduct Tribunal. He has also (from its inception) chaired the Higher Rights Assessment Board. Prior to his retirement from the Court of Appeal, Mr Justice Hartmann specialised in public and administrative law. Mr Justice Hartmann continues to reside in Hong Kong.

## **Members**

Mr Peter Hansford was appointed to be the UK Government's Chief Construction Adviser in December 2012. In this role he works with government and industry to transform the UK's construction sector and to ensure that it is equipped with the knowledge, skills and best practice needed to transition to a smarter and more efficient industry and to support a low carbon economy. Prior to this, he was an executive director at the Nichols Group where he was engaged in strategic consulting and advising on infrastructure developments and capital investment programmes. He has over 35 years' experience in the development and delivery of major infrastructure and building projects. He is a Fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering; a Fellow of the Institution of Civil Engineers; and a Fellow of the Association for Project He served as President of the Institution of Civil Management. Engineers from November 2010 to November 2011. He was a member of the steering group for the Infrastructure UK cost study to seek ways of

reducing the cost of major infrastructure projects in the UK. Mr. Hansford is appointed to the Panel in his personal capacity.

Professor Andrew J. Whittle is the Edmund K. Turner Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a member of the US National Academy of Engineering (2010). He is a geotechnical engineer with particular expertise in the modelling of soil behaviour and analyses of soil-structure interactions who has worked extensively on urban excavation and tunnelling projects. He has authored more than 170 publications and won numerous awards for his research. He is a licensed Professional Engineer in New York State and has consulted on more than 40 major onshore and offshore construction projects. He has previously served as an expert reviewer on the performance of Hurricane Protection Systems in New Orleans during Hurricane Katrina, and on a stem-to-stern safety review of the Metropolitan Highway System in Boston. He is currently a member of the Board of Directors for the Massachusetts Department of Transportation.