**Professor Wang Shi spoke at SDE Greater Good Series**

The Greater Good Series features talks by leading minds on topics related to design, development and management of the built environment, which will improve quality of life and lead to greater good for the society at large.

Prof Wang Shi, Chairman and Founder of Vanke Co, Ltd, our distinguished speaker, spoke on green development in China on 16 April at the Shangri-La Hotel.

As the fastest growing economy in the past two decades, China has witnessed an unprecedented scale of construction of residential projects by local and international developers. This rapid growth has helped developers to assimilate best practices in building quality and affordable housing for the Chinese people. Vanke, as the largest developer in China, has also embraced green and sustainable practices in all their developments. Prof Wang shared some of their strategies in the pursuit of green and sustainable buildings.

The talk also featured a panel session. The panel session was chaired by Dr Seek Ngee Huat, Chairman of the IRES Board and consisted of industry veterans and academic. They were: Professor Bernard Yeung (Dean, NUS Business School), Mr Chia Ngiang Hong (Group General Manager, City Developments Limited), Professor Wang Shi, Ms Chong Siak Ching (CEO, National Gallery Singapore) and Mr. Michael Smith (Managing Director, Head of Asia Pacific Real Estate, Goldman Sachs (Singapore) Pte Ltd). The topic for the session was on the evolution of the real estate industry over the 45 years: retrospective and prospective.