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I would also like to wish everyone Selamat Hari Merdeka!



Eric Yong | MBAM Secretary-General



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Courtesy Visit by National Public Procurement Agency of Indonesia

On 6 August, President Foo Chek Lee with Deputy President, Tan Sri Sufri Hj. Mohd Zin; Vice President, Oliver Wee; Council Member, Ir Anthony Teoh and MBAM Secretariat greeted the delegation from the National Public Procurement Agency of Indonesia (NPPA) that was led by Deputy Chairman for Strategy and Policy Development, Salusra Widya. The objective of the courtesy visit was to conduct a study on Government Procurement System related to construction sector in its ASEAN neighbours and to set a benchmark for their procurement system.

The delegation from NPPA also comprised of Director for Development of Business Climate and International Cooperation, Gatot Pambudhi Poetranto; Deputy Director for International Cooperation Affairs, Antonius Lambok Sihombing; Head of Section for Bilateral Affairs, Gigih Pribadi; Head of Section for Consultation Services, Lailatul Mufarokhah; Head of International Cooperation, Indonesia Construction Services Development Board, Sjahrial Ong; Staffs of Directorate Development



During the Courtesy Visit's discussion

for Business Climate and International Cooperation, Ainul Marziah and Rahmat Fitriadi Herman; and Expert Committee LPJKN/Andalas University Lecturer, Indonesia Construction Services Development Board, Ahmad Suradji.

The meeting discussed about the standard form of contracts in Malaysia, the Construction Industry Payment and Adjudication Act (CIPAA), the introduction of Construction Courts, and also the Mediation Services offered by MBAM, to resolve disputes related to construction contracts.

Other items discussed were on how tender involving foreign contractors were handled in Malaysia, opportunities for Malaysian contractors in Indonesia following the news of the relocation of its capital to Kalimantan. NPPA hoped for a closer working relationship with MBAM in the future. President Foo added that MBAM will be attending the 48th ACF Council Meeting in Bali in September 2019. The meeting ended with an exchange of mementoes between MBAM and NPPA to commemorate the visit.



MBAM President, Foo Chek Lee presenting memento to NPPA's representatives

Awareness Talk Related to Construction Industry on Sustainable Construction and ISO14001:2015 Standard & Solid Waste and Public Cleansing Management (Scheme for Construction Solid Waste) Regulation 2018



MBAM Council Member cum Chairman of Environment & Green Technology Committee Dato' Sri Eric Kuan delivering the Opening Remarks

The above talk was successfully held on 8 August at MBAM Training Centre with a total of 30 attendees. MBAM Council Member cum Chairman of Environment & Green Technology Committee, Dato' Sri Eric Kuan gave the welcome remarks on behalf of MBAM before the talk commenced.

The first speaker, Dato' Ir. Laxana Naidu shared with members on the Sustainable Construction and ISO 14001:2015 Standard. His presentation provided an understanding on the impact of construction activities to the environment and how contractors can play an important role in protecting the environment and prevent pollution. Complying with environmental requirements is a necessity both legally and contractually



in many building and infrastructure projects.

The next speaker Ir. Mohd Azwan Bin Mohd Nor Rezan enlightened members on the latest regulation on the "Solid Waste and Public Cleansing Management (Scheme for Construction Solid Waste) Regulation 2018" that has come in to operation on 1 November 2018 via Federal Government Gazette P.U.(A)279 dated 31 October 2018. The participants was informed that the Department of Enforcement & Regulatory under the Ministry of Housing & Local Government (KPKT) will commence the enforcement by end of November 2019 by issuing compound to vendor/contractor who failed to comply with the new regulation.

The states which fall into this regulations are Wilayah Persekutuan Kuala Lumpur, Wilayah Persekutuan Putrajaya, Johor, Melaka, Negeri Sembilan, Pahang, Kedah and Perlis. Contractors are obliged to follow the relevant regulations applicable to them as stated therein.



Ir Mohd Azwan Bin Mohd Nor Rezan talking about the latest "Solid Waste and Public Cleansing Management (Scheme for Construction Solid Waste) Regulation 2018"

A compound not more than RM10,000 will be issued to vendor/contractor who failed to comply for each of the regulation.

Ir. Azuan also highlighted the following matters related to the regulations:

- The Guideline on Solid Waste Management System for New Development
- Feedback by SWCorp One Stop Centre (OSC) 3.0+
- Notification on the Nomination of Construction Waste Collection License Company
- C&D Waste Management System Malaysia – portal to store record



Group photo with Speakers and Environment & Green Technology committee members

Meeting with Minister of Human Resources, YB M.Kula Segaran

MBAM President, Foo Chek Lee; Vice President, Dennis Tan and HR Committee Member, Mazlan Haron met with Minister of Human Resources, YB M.Kula Segaran on 8 August at Ministry of Human Resources (MOHR) Putrajaya. Deputy Director General of MOHR, Tuan Haji Asri and President of Persatuan Kontraktor India Malaysia (PKIM), Dato' Sri Sukumar were also present at the meeting.

The meeting deliberated on issues regarding hiring of foreign workers in construction industry. Back for Good (B4G) programme is now open till 31 December 2019 and those illegals are encouraged to take up the offers. Companies who are caught engaging illegals will be blacklisted when the Ministry conduct large scale raids. The hiring of Bangladeshi will be reopened but the date is yet to be announced by the government. The Nepalese government is not allowing their citizen to work in Malaysia due to certain technical issues that are yet to be agreed upon by the Malaysia government.



President Foo presenting a memento to YB Kula Segaran

Ground-breaking Ceremony of IJM IBS Pusat Bina Bestari Facility in Bestari Jaya



On 8 August, IJM Group held a ground-breaking ceremony for the new IJM IBS Pusat Bina Bestari facility in Bestari Jaya, Selangor. As one of the key players in the construction industry in Malaysia, IJM are looking to strengthen their commitment to the industry through alignment with the Construction Industry Transformation Programme (CITP).

The event was officiated by Minister of Works, YB Tuan Baru Bian and was also attended by Senior General Manager, Technology Development Sector, CIDB Malaysia, Datuk Ir Elias Ismail.



MBAM Affiliate Dialogue 2019



Here I am reading out the issues submitted by Affiliate Members

The MBAM Affiliate Dialogue 2019 was held on 16 August at Sunway Resort Hotel & Spa. Representatives from Jabatan Tenaga Kerja (JTK), Department of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH) and Construction Labour Exchange Centre Berhad (CLAB) attended the Dialogue. MBAM President, Foo Chek Lee gave the Welcome Remark followed by a round of self-introduction of all the representatives of affiliate members.

I then started the Dialogue by reading out the issues submitted beforehand by the Affiliate which were mainly on slow economic growth and delayed payments on work done. It is projected that the National GDP (gross domestic product) for this year will see the growth at 4.5%. We hoped the Government will ensure local content is 40% for Government projects.

Hiring of foreign workers issues peculiar to Sabah and Sarawak were also raised, however, CLAB can only provide foreign workers for Peninsula Malaysia for the time being and foreign workers of certain nationalities could not be supplied due to heavy cost. Some issues mentioned were beyond their control as it is under the jurisdiction of Ministry of Home Affairs.

President Foo also addressed some of the queries and informed the Affiliate that he has conveyed the concerns of the construction industry that are raised at this Dialogue at meetings with the Government ministers, ministries, departments and agencies.

On safety issues, DOSH highlighted the implementation of OSHCIM that will commence in 2020 while MBAM Council Member cum Chairman of Safety and Health Committee, Michael Yap informed the Affiliate regarding the safety related trainings to upskill the workers such as working at height, lifting supervisor, and site safety supervisor. He said in line with the OSHCIM safety starts from design stage and every stakeholder is responsible for safety at project site.

On the delayed in payments for work done, MBAM Vice President cum Chairman of Contracts and Practices Committee, Oliver Wee notified that MBAM Mediation Services was officially launched on 10 July 2019 by YA Dato' Lim Chong Fong. It is mainly for the benefit of MBAM Members but it is also open to non-members. The service is an additional option for parties to resolve their dispute without incurring hefty cost.

To wrap up, President Foo told the Affiliates that he sits in the PEMUDA special task force and should there be any issues on business process, he advised them to bring it up to him to raise in the special task force meetings.



Among the attendees of MBAM Affiliate Dialogue 2019

65TH MBAM Anniversary Dinner



MBAM Council Members 2018-2020 at the 65th MBAM Anniversary Dinner

MBAM anniversary dinner was held on 16 August at the Grand Lagoon Ballroom, Sunway Resort Hotel & Resort commemorating its 65th anniversary in the construction industry. The memorable night was graced by Minister of Water, Land and Natural Resources, YB Dr Xavier Jayakumar as the Guest of Honour. Some 1,500 guests from the ministries and its agencies, professional organisations and construction firms in Malaysia and ASEAN region, MBAM members and MBAM Affiliate Members and other distinguished guests attended the anniversary dinner.

MBAM Vice President and Organising Chairman for 65th MBAM Anniversary 2019, Dennis Tan, in his Welcome Speech, highlighted that the dinner theme "Improving Competitiveness through Digitalisation" was timely given the fact that the digital technology has become part of our everyday lives with construction industry moving towards digitalisation.

MBAM President, Foo Chek Lee, in his speech highlighted some of MBAM's initiatives to educate and equip our members with the necessary knowledge to upskill

themselves to move towards digitalisation. He encouraged our members to keep up with new construction methods and digital technology towards the process of digitalisation in our construction industry.

He took opportunity to convey special thanks to Zoomlion Heavy Industry Science & Technology Co., Ltd and our council member, Trans Elite Group Sdn Bhd for their generous sponsorship of a mobile crane truck for MBAM to conduct lifting training in line with the Association's aspiration to improve workers' skill and to reduce accident rate at site. MBAM on that night conferred special awards to individuals and companies in recognition of their contributions to the Association and the Construction industry.



Zoomlion and Trans Elite Group presenting the mock key for the Sponsorship of Mobile Crane to MBAM

YB Dr Xavier Jayakumar presented the inaugural Construction Industry Trade Awards to the following winners for each of the category:-

1. Mechanical & Electrical Contractor – Sunway Engineering Sdn Bhd
2. Piling Contractor – Bauer (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd
3. Water & Waste Water Contractor – Ocened Water Technology Sdn Bhd

Special Mention for Mechanical & Electrical Works for Infrastructure went to Cable Line Electrical & Engineering Sdn Bhd.



MBAM Special Bronze Awards were presented to Vice President, Dennis Tan Soo Huang and Vice President, Oliver Wee for their exemplary leadership and meritorious contributions to the development of the MBAM and the promotion of an efficient and competitive construction industry in Malaysia.

Highlight of the night was the conferment of the Honorary Builder to Past Vice President, Tan Sri Datuk Tee Hock Seng for his exemplary support, participation and contribution to the Association and the field of contracting, building or construction.



The President, MBAM Council Members and I congratulated all the recipients. Appreciation was extended to all sponsors for their generosity and to guests who made time to celebrate with MBAM on the occasion of its 65th anniversary. MBAM hoped that more members will come forward to support the next MBAM Anniversary Dinner in 2020. With the close of the night, I also thanked the secretariat staff for their untiring efforts to ensure the success of this event.



MBAM President, Foo Chek Lee presenting a memento to Guest of Honour, Dr. Xavier Jayakumar; witnessed by Organising Chairman, Dennis Tan



Focus Group Workshop on Environment Sustainability for Technical Working Group / Inter Agencies Planning Group Services Sector- Construction Industry

MBAM Vice President, Dennis Tan attended a workshop under the Technical Working Group (TWG)/ Inter Agencies Planning Group (IAPG) Services Sector for Construction Industry for Focus Group on Environment Sustainability held on 20 August at the Ministry of Works Headquarter, Kuala Lumpur. The purpose of the workshop is to gather feedback from the industry players with regards to issues, way forward and recommendations related to the construction industry for preparation of a full proposal to the Ministry of Economic Affairs to be incorporated in the Dasar Pembangunan Jangka Panjang 2020 (2021-2030) and the 12th Malaysia Plan (Rancangan Malaysia Kedua Belas - RMK-12).



Group photo of some of the workshop participants

Contracts and Practices Administration Programme – Session 5: Termination and Determination/Dispute Resolution and Avoidance



Opening Speech by MBAM Council Member cum Deputy Chairman of Contracts and Practices Committee, Ir. Anthony Teoh

The MBAM Contracts and Practices Committee held its Session 5 Programme for the year 2019 on 21 August at MBAM Training Centre which attracted 25 participants. Council member cum Deputy Chairman of Contracts and Practices Committee, Ir. Anthony Teoh delivered the welcome speech.

In his speech, Ir. Anthony said that one of the common problems in the construction industry which usually has serious implications on the project and the parties concerned is termination of contract or determination of employment by the Employer or Contractor. With this session, he hoped participants will gain knowledge on differences of termination and determination in the context of contracts and the dispute resolution or avoidance of it. During the session, HT Ong advised to have a clear contract documentation and to identify the main areas of risk and set out a strategy for dealing with them clearly.

In conclusion, the programme was useful for those in the contract administration line and also to gain knowledge on contract administration.



Training in session by Sr HT Ong

48th Politeknik Ungku Omar (PUO) Convocation – Session 2

MBAM Deputy President cum Chairman of Education Committee & Special Institutions, Tan Sri Sufri Hj Mhd Zin was invited to deliver the Opening Speech and to present diplomas to over 600 graduates for the Session 2 of the 48th PUO Convocation on 21 August at Politeknik Ungku Omar, Ipoh, Perak. The welcome remark was delivered by Director of PUO, Dr Haji Zairon bin Mustapha. Session 2 saw presentation of diplomas to students from Faculty of Civil Engineering and Faculty of Information Technology and Communication. Tan Sri Sufri also presented the Industry Special Award to three graduates from Faculty of Civil Engineering for their excellent academic achievements. There are other special awards sponsored by other organisations or corporate entities.

I hope the collaboration between PUO and MBAM will continue to be nourished and enhanced into the future in order to push the Malaysian construction industry to the next level.

On the day before, MBAM Council Member cum Deputy Chairman of Education Committee & Special Institutions, Datuk Astaman Abd Aziz attended the Session 1 of the 48th PUO Convocation which was graced and officiated by DYMM Paduka Seri Sultan of Perak, Sultan Nazrin Muizzuddin Shah Ibni Almarhum Sultan Azlan Muhibbuddin Shah Al-Maghfur-Lah.



Tan Sri Sufri presenting the diplomas to graduates

Focus Group Productivity – Technical Working Group (TWG)/ IAPG Service Sector – Construction Industry



On 21 August, a focus group workshop on productivity under Technical Working Group (TWG)/IAPG service sector for construction industry was held at Ministry of Works. The workshop objectives included to gain knowledge and insight from productivity measuring methods, to explore productivity management and measurement, to identify productivity best practices to be implemented in government policies. CREAM was the facilitator during the workshop. MBAM was represented by MBAM Deputy Secretary-General 1, Ong Ka Thiam and he participated in the technology sub group where issues and challenges in technology, the way forward and recommendations for improvement were discussed.

Bengkel Focus Group Di Bawah Kumpulan Kerja Teknikal (TWG)/Inter Agencies Planning Group Sektor Perkhidmatan - Industri Pembinaan

The workshop was held on 22 August at Ministry of Works' office in Kuala Lumpur and was attended by MBAM Past Vice President, Chung Soo Kiong and Senior Assistant Manager, Mohd Hanif Bin Ismail.

This meeting was focused on Internationalisation. The Chairlady outlined the issues related to internationalisation (local companies going overseas) and the way forward. She expressed her hope that the attendees can brainstorm on how to improve and streamline the recommendations on addressing the issues.

The group was then divided into two; one to focus on Competitiveness and one to focus on Internationalisation. Each group was moderated by a senior staff from Ministry of Works.

Chung was in the group to brainstorm on increasing competitiveness of the local construction industry so that they will be ready to expand their business overseas. The group opined that there should be a level playing field for both foreign and local companies in Malaysia. Representatives from other professional bodies, consultants concurred with Chung's opinions that consideration to be given to the locals to be involved in the government linked companies' project to create a trickle-down effect to sectors related to construction industry. However, we were informed that the building technology and methods used differs in different countries. Recommendations included government to government arrangements (G2G), develop iconic projects showcasing the talents and capabilities of local consultants,

building material suppliers and contractors as a way to build the Malaysia brand when it comes to construction services. Identifying our strength and promoting it is important in order for a successful internationalisation effort. Another suggestion is to request Ministry of Works to do a video to highlight Malaysian construction services that can be played at Malaysian embassy events alongside tourism promotion videos.

It was highlighted that Malaysian banks at overseas have higher interest rates compared to other international banks.

At the end of the meeting both groups presented on their recommendations. The Ministry of Works will then compile the recommendations and present it to the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Economic Affairs.

Engagement Session on Management of Foreign Workers, Expatriates and International Interns by ILMIA



The session held on 23 August at ILMIA, Cyberjaya was to discuss the management of foreign workers, expatriates and foreign interns. However, during the session, it was noted that most of the recommendations were already in the report prepared by an independent committee set up by the Cabinet in August 2018 and was already presented to the Government in February 2019, the attendees from various Associations representing employers of different trades urged the Ministry to look at the report again instead of calling for another meeting to hear the industry. The report by the independent committee included suggestions on hiring foreign workers and implementation of multi-tier levy system similar to the one practised in Singapore. The meeting ended with a note of thanks from the organiser. MBAM hopes that the Government will relook at the recommendations outlined in the independent committee report. MBAM Council Member, Datuk Astaman Abdul Aziz and Senior Assistant Manager, Mohd Hanif Ismail attended the session.

Workshop on Group under Technical Working Group (TWG) Service Sector – Construction Industry (Facilities Management)

MBAM General Manager, Lenny Lim attended the above workshop for Facilities Management (FM) in Ministry of Works' office on 23 August. The workshop was facilitated by Deputy Chief Secretary, Facilities Management Section, Department of Works, Malaysia, Mat Nizi Mamat.

The findings and recommendations of the working group included standardization and harmonization of FM with ISO standards, accreditation module and benchmarking best practices.

FM should not be just on a maintenance mind-set but to be incorporated at design stage for its effectiveness. More training, sharing of experience and assessment will help to upskill current FM knowledge base and skills levels.

MBAM Fellowship No. 5/2019

MBAM's fifth fellowship for 2019 was held on 23 August at Million 9 Club, Kuala Lumpur that attracted some 110 participants.

Executive Director of Mach 1 Construction Equipment Sdn Bhd, Bill Tok thanked MBAM members for supporting the event and he also gave a brief overview of his company and range of product and services. MBAM Deputy Secretary-General 1 and Chairman of MBAM Fellowship Committee, Ong Ka Thiam in his speech, thanked Mach 1 for the sponsorship of the event. Ong then presented a souvenir to Bill in appreciation for the sponsorship.

Political Secretary to the Minister of Finance, Tony Pua also attended the event and was given the opportunity to say a few words.

Networking at fellowship is one of the best ways to build and develop strong business relationships other than exchanging ideas and sharing experiences. I encouraged members to attend events and activities organized by MBAM. At MBAM, we appreciate sponsorships for fellowships in 2020.

Please contact MBAM General Manager, Lenny Lim at 03-7984 8636 for more details on how you can host a fellowship with MBAM.



MBAM Council Members with Tony Pua and some attendees



Group Photo of MBAM and Mach 1 with Tony Pua



MBAM Deputy Secretary-General 1 and Chairman of MBAM Fellowship Committee, Ong Ka Thiam presenting a memento to Executive Director of Mach 1 Construction Equipment Sdn Bhd, Bill Tok.

Seminar on Industrialised Building System (IBS) and Study Visit to Forest City IBS Factory



Opening Speech by MBAM Council Member cum Chairman of Technical & IBS Committee, Datuk Kow Choong Ming

MBAM Technical & IBS Committee and Johor Master Builders Association (JMBA) organised a one-day Seminar on IBS and Study Visit to the Forest City IBS Factory. The event was supported by CIDB Malaysia and it aimed to

promote IBS in Malaysian Southern Region and to share on IBS technology which aptly fits into these days modern construction methodology. The Seminar was held on 26 August at Forest City Phoenix International Marina Hotel.

The afternoon session continued with the visit to the Forest City IBS, a modern industrial prefabrication plant that has annual output of 260,000 m³ concrete, equivalent to 100 million square meters of building area required components. The main products include various types of structures, non-structural building components, and prefabricated rate of more than 75%.

The seminar and study visit attracted about 140 participants.



Group Photo at the Forest City IBS Factory

Focus Group Discussion on Study of Possibilities: Effect Of Incorporation and Corporatization of Skills Training Institutes under Ministry of Human Resources on TVET Work Force, Quality of Training And Future TVET Work

The session held on 26 August at ILMIA, Cyberjaya was attended by MBAM Council Member, Datuk Astaman Abdul Aziz and Senior Assistant Manager, Mohd Hanif Bin Ismail. The session was conducted by the appointed consultant, Ernst & Young Advisory Services Sdn Bhd.

The session discussed on how other TVET institutions in other countries were supported by the industry including in the form of sponsorship, branding, contribution of machinery and other forms of support. Case studies presented were institutions in Australia. The various participants gave their opinions on how industry can support the TVET institutions but the main consideration would be the TVET institution must also uplift their quality in order to create a win-win situation.

Other suggestions were also discussed such as endowment system such as practised in the US. The meeting ended with a summary by the appointed consultant. MBAM hopes that recommendations by the participants will be taken into account when the Ministry of Human Resources presented its findings to the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Ministry of Finance.

Meeting on Housing Quality Issues

MBAM Environment and Quality Committee Member, S. Ramesh and General Manager, Lenny Lim attended the meeting on 29 August at Wisma Real Estate and Housing Developers' Association (REHDA), Kelana Jaya on Housing Quality Issues.

The internal taskforce meeting was chaired by Deputy Chairman of REHDA Selangor and Deputy Chairman of Planning Policies and Standard (PPS), Datuk Ho Hon Sang. Pertubuhan Akitek Malaysia (PAM) was represented by PAM Council Member, Ar Menaha Ramath. REHDA decided to engage PAM and MBAM to discuss on the concerns on the Quality Guidebook to Homeowners prepared by CIDB as the benchmark of the houses delivered to house buyers.

The meeting agreed that REHDA will compile all the comments and submit it to MBAM and PAM for further comments before discussion with Construction Industry Development Board, Malaysia (CIDB).



During the meeting with REHDA and PAM representatives on Housing Quality Issues

Other Key Events Attended by MBAM Representatives in August 2019:-

1 August

Technical Working Group (TWG) Professional Services Workshop No.1/2019 for RMK-12 – “Fostering a Robust Private Sector” was attended by MBAM General Manager, Michael Thong at MITI Tower, Kuala Lumpur.

3 August

QLASSIC In House Training for LBS Bina Holdings Sdn Bhd one-day workshop was led by MBAM Technical & IBS Committee Member, Dato' Ir. Laxana Naidu and attended by Manager, Mohd Farhan Bin Mohammad Din at LBS Bina Project Site in Puncak Alam. 29 LBS staff have participated in the workshop which included the practical assessment at their project site.

5 August

Mesyuarat Khas Majlis Negara Bagi Keselamatan Dan Kesihatan Pekerjaan (MNKKP) was attended by MBAM Council Member and Chairman of Safety and Health Committee, Michael Yap at Ministry of Human Resources, Putrajaya.

6 August

Meeting Jawatankuasa Teknikal Standard Industri Pembinaan (CIS7) Bil. 5/2019 - JTCIS7 was attended by MBAM Technical & IBS Committee Member, Ir Chuan Yeong Ming at CIDB Sunway Putra, Kuala Lumpur.

Mesyuarat Jawatankuasa Penasihat Persijilan (JPP) CREAM Bil. 01/2019 (04) was attended by MBAM Deputy Secretary General 1 cum Technical & IBS Committee Member, Ong Ka Thiam at CREAM's office, Sunway Putra Tower, Kuala Lumpur.

7 August

MIDA Invest Series: Unfolding States' Business Potential was attended by MBAM General Manager, Lenny Lim at MIDA Sentral, Kuala Lumpur.

8 August

Meeting with General Manager of CIDB Malaysia, Sr Mohd Zaid Zakaria to discuss on Wages Rate Survey Agreement and Proposal for 2020 was attended by MBAM Executive Director, Loh Mei Ling and secretariat staff at Menara Dato' Onn, Putra World Trade Centre, Kuala Lumpur.

Launch of the Guidelines on the Best Practices on Occupational Safety and Health in Construction Industry jointly organised by Giant Leap Construction Sdn Bhd and the Department of Occupational Safety and Health Ministry of Human Resources (DOSH) Malaysia was attended by MBAM General Manager, Michael Thong at Hotel Zenith, Putrajaya.

TVET Empowerment Committee Meeting – Governance Cluster was attended by MBAM Council Member, Datuk Astaman Abdul Aziz; Education & Special Institution Committee Member, Hasnah Mohd Ali and Admin Officer, Nur Fatin Shahira at Galeria PJH, Putrajaya.

TVET Empowerment Committee Meeting – Quality Cluster was attended by MBAM Deputy Chairman of Education Committee II, Andrew Ong and Manager, Mohd Farhan Bin Mohammad Din at Ministry of Human Resources' office, Putrajaya. The meeting discussed and deliberated on TVET Empowerment Strategies such as to widen the scope and the use of Industry Standard in the teaching methodology as well as to develop a policy and guideline on the TVET Certification like Code of Practice for TVET Programme Accreditation (COPTPA).

ICW 2020 Meeting No.1/2019 and ASEAN Super 8 Press Conference graced by Secretary General, Ministry of Works, Datuk Dr Syed Omar Sharifuddin Syed Ikhsan was attended by MBAM Executive Director, Loh Mei Ling and Manager, Mohd Farhan Bin Mohammad Din at Putra World Trade Centre, Kuala Lumpur. ICW 2020 will be held next year from 22– 26 June 2020 at Malaysia International Trade and Exhibition Centre (MITEC). The organiser has officially invited MBAM to be one of the supporting partners for this event. MBAM will be organising a conference within these dates together with CIDB.

PEMUDAH Special Meeting No. 3/2019 was attended by MBAM President, Foo Chek Lee and General Manager, Lenny Lim at Unit Penyelarasan Pelaksanaan (ICU), Jabatan Perdana Menteri, Putrajaya.

Malaysia Quarries Association (MQA) 2019 Charity Golf Tournament & Dinner was attended by MBAM Council Member, Chong Tat Yam at Tropicana Golf & Country Club, Petaling Jaya.

9 August

TVET Empowerment Committee Meeting - Technical (Branding Cluster) No.2/2019 was attended by MBAM Senior Assistant Manager, Muhammad Fadzley Bin Salim at Galeria PJS, Putrajaya.

10 August

Persatuan Pembina Perak 96th Anniversary Dinner was attended by MBAM Vice President, Dennis Tan; Council Members Chong Tat Yam and Lau Yew Mun at Shen Jai High School Ipoh Banquet Hall, Perak.

15 August

Workshop No.2/2019 on Focus Group (FG) under Technical Working Group Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TWG-TVET) for RMKe-12 by Ministry of Education (MOE) was attended by Education & Special Institutions Committee Member, Hasnah Mohd Ali and Manager, Mohd Farhan Bin Mohammad Din at Dewan Za'ba MOE, Putrajaya. The workshop discussed on the issues such as the supply demand gaps (critical occupation and skills demand, skills mismatch, shortage and over supply), Design Model for Industrial Training, Employer Engagement, Industrial experiences for both lecturers and students etc.

LAM President's Medal Judging Invitation was attended by MBAM Immediate Past President, Datuk Matthew Tee at Lembaga Arkitek Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur.

Kelantan Kin Cho Hong Anniversary Dinner was attended by MBAM General Manager, Michael Thong.

16 August

TVET Empowerment Committee Meeting – Industry Cluster was attended by MBAM Technical and IBS Committee Member, Ir. Chuan Yeong Ming at Jabatan Pendidikan Politeknik dan Kolej Komuniti (JPPKK), Putrajaya.

Terengganu Kin Cho Hong Anniversary Dinner was attended by MBAM General Manager, Michael Thong.

17 August

74th Anniversary of the Independence Day of the Republic of Indonesia was attended by MBAM President, Foo Chek Lee and Senior Assistant Manager, Mohd Hanif at JW Marriott Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

20 August

Budget 2020 Focus Group Meeting - Enhancing Employee Welfare and Employment Opportunities was attended by MBAM Council Member, Datuk Astaman Abdul Aziz and Admin Officer, Sung Suet Yee at Ministry of Human Resources' office, Putrajaya.

Statistics, Indices in Construction and Automation (SICA) Conference 2019 with the theme "Construction Digitalisation with Big Data" was graced by the Deputy Minister of Works, YB Tuan Haji Mohd Anuar bin Mohd Tahir and attended by MBAM TC & IBS Committee Members and secretariat staff at W Hotel, Kuala Lumpur. The Conference focused on the current and future application on the implementation of big data for the construction community.

20 – 21 August

DOSH Train-The-Trainer OSHCIM Training for Construction Industry Profession Session 1/2019 was attended by President, Foo Chek Lee; Council Member and Chairman of Safety and Health Committee, Michael Yap; Deputy Committee Chairman, Maj(Rtd) Leong Yee Keong; and Committee Member, Vargis Joseph at Fakulti Kejuruteraan Awam, UiTM Shah Alam.

21 August

Hi-Tea of Gender Equity Roundtable Discussion by Pertubuhan Akitik Malaysia (PAM) was attended by MBAM Council Member, Tan Zi Ni and General Manager, Lenny Lim at PAM Centre, Bangsar Kuala Lumpur.

23 August

Malaysian Air-Conditioning & Refrigeration Association (MACRA) Golf Tournament 2019 was attended by MBAM Council Member, Chong Tat Yam at Sungai Long Golf & Country Club, Cheras.

How to Build Faster & Smarter From Bid to Completion with Dropbox? Was attended by MBAM Senior Assistant Manager, Muhammad Fadzley Bin Salim at Co-Labs Coworking @ The Starling Mall, Petaling Jaya.

24 August

Awareness Seminar on Crane Lifting Safety organised by Malaysia Mobile Crane Owners Association (1987) was attended by Deputy Chairman of MBAM Safety and Health Committee, Maj. Leong as the guest speaker at Vistana Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

28 August

Meeting with Malaysian Public Works Department officer, En Zawawi on wages survey matter was attended by Secretariat staff, Mohd Farhan Bin Mohammad Din, Mohd Hanif Bin Ismail and Sung Suet Yee at Malaysian Public Works Department's office, Kuala Lumpur.

29 August

International Real Estate Federation, Malaysian Chapter FIABCI Malaysian Chapter Panel of Jury Meeting for Malaysia Property Award™ 2019 was attended by MBAM Immediate Past President, Datuk Matthew Tee at Avente



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