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I hope that all MBAM Members will continue to support and commit towards all the upcoming activities organised by MBAM. The following were the main events for April 2018:-



*Eric Yong | MBAM Secretary General*

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# BRIEFING BY DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF DOSH ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE OSH ACT 1994



*DOSH-DG, Tuan Ir Hj Omar*



*During The Briefing Session*



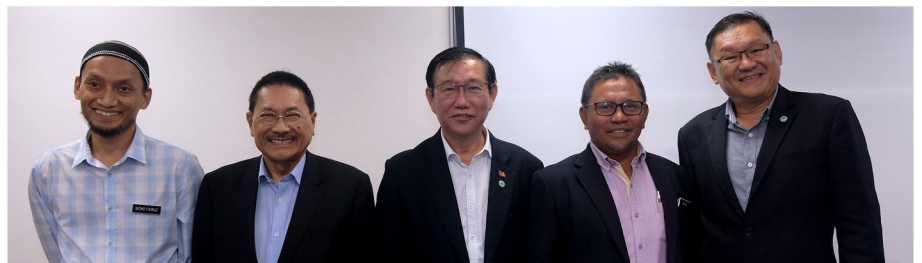
The Occupational Safety and Health in Construction Industry (Management) 2017 (OSHCIM) developed by Department of Occupational Safety and Health Malaysia (DOSH) was based on the principle of prevention through design where safety element will be taken into consideration at all stages of construction projects involving the client, designer and contractor on the management of safety, health and welfare.

DOSH is committed in adopting OSHCIM and the proposed amendment for OSHA to replace the BOWEC Regulations under the Factories Machinery Act (FMA) will be tabled in the Parliament for approval in May 2019. The OSHCIM Guideline will be made mandatory and the client/project owners, designers and contractors will be playing equal roles and responsibilities in managing any OSH risks in a construction project.

Therefore, DOSH Director-General, Tuan Ir Hj Omar Bin Mat Piah scheduled a briefing session to MBAM and Persatuan Kontraktor Bumiputera Malaysia (PKBM) members on the proposed amendment. The briefing on 2 April at MBAM Training Centre attracted 101 participants. MBAM President, Foo Chek Lee; Chairman of Safety and Health Committee, Michael Yap with his committee members, Datuk Kow Choong Ming, Chong Tat Yam and Nalla Sundran; MBAM Council Members and Members were also present. Represented PKBM were Datuk Haji Azman Yusoff, Dato' Ir Jamaludin Non, Ir Zainizam Mat Zain and Sr Asmuni Sajat.

Chairman of OSHCIM Advisory Committee, Tan Sri Dato' (Dr) Ir Jamilus Bin Hussein gave an introductory speech on OSHCIM and followed by sharing from Tuan Ir Hj Omar and Ir Dr Mohd Fairuz Ab Rahman from DOSH Malaysia on OSHCIM implementation.

OSHCIM Committee Members, Ir M. Ramuseren and Maj (R) Ir Haji Kamarulzaman Bin Hj Musa also attended the briefing session together with other DOSH officers.



*From left: Ir Dr Mohd Fairuz, Tan Sri Jamilus, President Foo, Ir Hj Omar and Michael Yap*





*During The Seminar Session*

## SEMINAR ON HIRING FOREIGN WORKERS BY IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT

The seminar was held on 4 April at Zenith Putrajaya attended by MBAM Manager, Mohd Farhan and Senior Assistant Manager, Mohd Hanif. The seminar papers were presented by Mohd Zamri Mohd Zin, Foreign Workers Division Secretary, Kementerian Dalam Negeri (KDN) on the new procedures in hiring foreign workers and proposal of Multi-tier Levy System; Norhalina Haron from Jabatan Tenaga Kerja (JTK) spoke on the guideline and roles of Agensi Pekerjaan Swasta or APS (License C holder); Jaslina Alias from Social Security Organization (SOCSO) Malaysia presented on the registration of Employment Injury Scheme (EIS) via ASSIST Portal; and Kasturi Bhai Deputy Senior Assistant Director, Department of Immigration Malaysia (JIM) spoke on the Enforcement and Issues on Foreign Workers in Malaysia.

The dialogue session was held at the end of the seminar programme led by Director-General, Dato' Indera Khairul Dzaimie Bin Daud and Director of Foreign Workers Division, Dato' Khairul Khar Bin Yahya, Department of Immigration Malaysia.

Overall, it was a very fruitful and informative session to all participants.

## TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING (TVET) INDUSTRY NETWORK BY DEPARTMENT OF POLYTECHNIC & COMMUNITY COLLEGE EDUCATION

Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) Industry Network Programme organised by Department of Polytechnic & Community College Education was held on 4 April at Putrajaya International Convention Centre. It was attended by MBAM Education and Special Institution Deputy Chairman II, Andrew Ong and Secretariat, Nur Fatin Shahira Bt Ramlee. The networking was officiated by Prof Dato' Ts Dr Mohd Ismail Bin Abdul Aziz, Director General, Department of Polytechnic and Community College Education, Ministry of Education on behalf of Dr Maszlee Malik, Minister of Education Malaysia. Prof Dato' Ts Dr Mohd Ismail welcomed all the industry players attending this programme with the hope that everyone will help usher the new transition of TVET Landscape.



*MBAM Education and Special Institution Deputy Chairman II, Andrew Ong with other guests*

The first speaker, Dato' Soh Thian Lai, Chairman of TVET Empowerment Committee spoke on the "TVET in Malaysia: Industry Perspective". Dato' Soh Thian Lai gave an overview and spoke on the challenges of TVET in Malaysia. It is crucial for TVET system to provide nationally recognised qualifications with assured quality, to be built on industry occupational standards and national qualification for supply to match the demand and offer various pathway to the students.



The second speaker, Dato' Professor Michael Tio, CEO and Managing Director of PKT Logistic Group Sdn. Bhd spoke on "Adding Value to TVET Education" where he gave an overview of Malaysia logistic industry that contribute 3.5% to the GDP.





*Group Photo at the roadshow in Perak*



*Group Photo at the roadshow in Melaka*

## HIRING FOREIGN WORKERS PROGRAMME FOR G1-G3 CONTRACTORS TALK IN PERAK AND MELAKA

MBAM Human Resources Committee together with Construction Labour Exchange Centre Berhad (CLAB) held two talks in April on Hiring Foreign Workers Programme for G1-G3 Contractors in Perak and Melaka. It is part of CLAB's nationwide roadshow to build awareness of the programme among MBAM members so that they can take this opportunity to easily get workers for their projects.

The first talk in Perak was held on 6 April at WH Skill Training Sdn Bhd, Ipoh with a total of 88 participants. The speaker was CEO of Construction Labour Exchange Berhad (CLAB), Abdul Rafik Bin Abdul Rajis who was accompanied by Nurul Amalin Mohammad Afandi, Mohd Ghazalie bin Mohd Salleh and Syafiqah bt Mohd Jaafar.



*Dennis Tan and Abdul Rafik*

MBAM Vice President, Dennis Tan delivered the welcome remarks. Also attended the talk were Gabungan Persatuan-Persatuan Pembina Malaysia's President, Leong Kien Keong; Perak Kin Cho Hong's President, Lee Yee Kuan; Perak

Contractors Association's Acting President, Chong Chee Leong; Perak Plumber's Association's Deputy President, Leong Chee Wah; and Gabungan Persatuan-Persatuan Pembina Malaysia's Secretary-General, Sinn Fuh Ming. MBAM Secretariat staff - Loh Mei Ling, Michael Thong, Mohd Farhan Bin Muhammad Din, Mohd Hanif Bin Ismail and Sung Suet Yee were on hand to facilitate the event.

The second talk in Melaka was held on 11 April at Chinese Chambers of Commerce with 83 participants. The speaker was also CEO of CLAB, Abdul Rafik Bin Abdul Rajis who was accompanied by Nurul Amalin Mohammad Afandi and Syafiqah Bt Mohd Jaafar.

MBAM Vice President, Dennis Tan also delivered the welcome remarks. The talk were attended by MBAM HR Committee Deputy Chairman, Datuk Astaman Abdul Aziz and Malacca Building Contractors' Association's President, Victor Tan See Sen. MBAM Secretariat staff, Michael Thong, Mohd Farhan Bin Muhammad Din, Mohd Hanif Bin Ismail and Sung Suet Yee were also present to facilitate the event.

Both talks were divided into two sessions: first session was a briefing by CLAB on the objectives for this programme, employer eligibility and the procedures for hiring foreign workers by G1 to G3 contractors. Second session was the Q&A session.



# GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATION OF MALAYSIAN POLYTECHNICS

MBAM was invited to attend the Golden Jubilee Celebration of Malaysian Polytechnics on 7 April at Politeknik Ungku Omar, Ipoh. The grand celebration was officiated by Deputy Prime Minister, YAB Dato' Seri Dr Wan Azizah Binti Wan Ismail who was accompanied by Deputy Minister of Education, YB Teo Nie Ching.

MBAM Secretariat staff, Mohd Farhan Bin Mohammad Din and Mohd Hanif Bin Ismail attended the event. A number of MBAM member companies were honoured with awards during the event as appreciation of their commitment as industry partners to the polytechnics. Among the recipients of the awards included MBAM Members Trans Resources Corporation Sdn Bhd, MMC Corporation Berhad and Puncak Niaga Holdings Berhad.

Politeknik Ungku Omar (PUO) was named after the late Dr Ungku Omar Bin Ungku Ahmad. It was established by the Malaysian Ministry of Education with help from UNESCO in 1969, thus making it the oldest polytechnic in Malaysia.

MBAM has a running collaboration with PUO on Work-Based Learning (WBL) programme, whereby MBAM members provide placements for PUO students taking Civil Engineering Technology for their eight months WBL attachments.

## MBAM COUNCIL AND SECRETARIAT TECHNICAL VISIT TO GAMUDA IBS SEPANG

On 12 April, a group of MBAM Council and Secretariat had the opportunity to visit the Gamuda IBS Sepang Plant hosted by Gamuda Berhad. The visit enhanced their knowledge on the IBS technology, Building Information Modelling (BIM), Common Data Environment (CDE), Robotic Machine Operations, insulation of panels and construction using IBS. The representatives of Gamuda welcomed and brought the group on a walkabout in their Sepang factory. After the tour, MBAM Council Members adjourned for a meeting and networking session.

Group Photo at the Gamuda IBS Show Unit



## PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT SERVICES CONFERENCE

The Public Employment Services Conference was held on 15 April at Aloft Hotel, Kuala Lumpur and was attended by MBAM Secretariat staff, Tan Lee Teng and Sung Suet Yee.

The conference started with a presentation by the Chief Executive Officer of SOCSO, Dato' Sri Dr Mohammad Azman where he highlighted the importance of EIS and how SOCSO helped insured persons. He also introduced the Public Employment Services (PES) to the audience and emphasised the importance of PES.

The second speaker was VDAB Belgium's Chief Executive Officer, Fons Leroy who spoke on the roles and objectives as well as challenges of PES.

The third speaker was WCC Netherlands's Chief Executive Officer, Jan Jensen who gave a brief introduction on WCC and its background. During his talk, he made comparison between the role of PES with the role of other staffing agencies, and their job portals. He also talked about the challenges faced by different stakeholders in PES and how technology can help them, citing example of the technology used by WCC.

## MBAM COCD PROGRAMME FOR CONSTRUCTION TRADE FOREMAN KUALA LUMPUR 11<sup>TH</sup> INTAKE: RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING INTERVIEW SESSION

On 16 April, a total of 16 participants attended the Recognition of Prior Learning Interview Session for COCD Programme Kuala Lumpur - 11<sup>th</sup> intake. This interview session was held to assess the qualification of the participants and to evaluate their working experience before commencing the COCD training. 15 participants were assessed as qualified to participate in this training.

One participant was interviewed by assessors via phone as he was absent from the interview session, and he was also assessed to be qualified to participate for this training.

The assessors were Dr Yeow Yoon Foo, Wong Khin Yip, Ho Chee Leong and Andrew Ong.



*Interview in progress*

## REVIEW ON CIDB ACT 520 FOURTH SCHEDULE

The above workshop was attended by MBAM Material Resources Committee Member, Tony Foo together with MBAM Secretariat staff, Michael Thong and Leon Leong.

The Chairman, Tuan Haji Szali Che Amat, CIDB General Manager, welcomed the participants to the meeting and briefed on the objectives of the meeting which was to review the CIDB Fourth Schedule and to streamline the construction materials in the Act by either omit, add or update. In addition, the key performance index was to add in five new construction materials into the Act 520 Fourth Schedule by year end 2020. Construction materials were now classified under a "risk factors index matrix" which categorised as high risk and low risk weighted against the test impact and safety impact.

With the above guidelines given, participants were divided into five working groups to deliberate the given construction materials for each group. In summing up the workshop, the Chairman informed that all the recommendations would be further evaluated, fine-tuned and published for public comments after which a final decision would be made. Ultimately, he hoped that the end result would be a self-regulation by the industry itself on the usage of safe and quality construction materials.





*MBAM Council Member, Lau Yew Mun and  
Technical Committee Member, S. Ramesh*

## INTERACTION SESSION BETWEEN CIDB SELANGOR AND RELATED STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

Construction Industry Development Board Selangor (CIDB) organised an interaction session with departments and agencies under Selangor State Government related to the construction industry on 22 April at Wisma PKPS, Shah Alam. MBAM was also invited to attend the session and was represented by Council Member, Lau Yew Mun; Technical Committee Members, S. Ramesh and Foong Fat Kee; and MBAM Secretariat, Mohd Farhan Bin Mohammad Din and Mohd Hanif Bin Ismail.

The welcome remarks was delivered by CIDB Selangor Director, Ir Sharifudin Che Omar and the event was officiated by Tuan Ir. Izham bin Hashim, Chairman of Infrastructure, Public Amenities, Modern Agriculture and Agriculture Industry Committee, and Selangor State Exco. The event continued with the presentation of certificates for outstanding SCORE, QCLASSIC and SHASSIC achievements.

Presentations at the event included Briefing on IBS Professional Management Course by Haji Mukhtar from Pearl Impulse Enterprise, Function and Responsibilities of CIDB, Construction Industry Transformation Programme (CITP 2016-2020) and Technological Programmes under CIDB such as QCLASSIC, SHASSIC, IBS, MyBIM, MyCrest and Sustainable INFRASTAR.

## INDUSTRIAL TALK ON CAREER ENHANCEMENT AT UTHM

MBAM Council Member and Deputy Chairman of Education Committee, Datuk Astaman Abdul Aziz was invited to deliver Industrial Talk on Career Enhancement on 22 April at Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia (UTHM), Pagoh in his capacity as the Industrial Advisor for the University's Faculty of Engineering Technology. On hand to receive Datuk Astaman was the Dean of the Faculty as well as other staff of the Faculty and Department of Civil Engineering Technology.

Datuk Astaman delivered the talk focusing on career in the construction industry and he gave the students advices on how to increase their employability in the industry.

Overall, the Talk was well attended by students of the Faculty and after the Talk, Datuk Astaman had a brief meeting with the staff of the Faculty on matters arising.

## MBAM COCD PROGRAMME FOR CONSTRUCTION TRADE FOREMAN KUALA LUMPUR 1<sup>TH</sup> INTAKE: MODULE 1 & 2

On 22 April, a total of 16 participants attended the training on modules 1 and 2. These modules focused on Managing & Working with People & Contractors and Effective Communication & Written Communication Skills in Construction.

In module 1, participants learned the characteristics of the construction industry and working on personnel issues in project organisation, the roles and responsibilities of Construction Trade Foremen/ Supervisors and the project team, the importance of attitude towards works, cooperation and relationships of project team, and project team dynamics and keys to managing people in projects – motivation, influence, power and effectiveness

In module 2, participants explored and learnt about communication skills, understanding verbal, non-verbal and written communication, communication cycle and communication for Construction Trade Foremen/ Supervisors, type of written communication & getting written messages across clearly.

The trainer was Dr Yeow Yoon Foo and participants were assessed by Wong Khin Yip, Ho Chee Leong and Michael Thong.



*During the briefing by MBAM General Manager, Michael Thong*



# SAFETY & HEALTH CONFERENCE

MBAM Annual Safety and Health Conference 2019 was successfully organised for the 18<sup>th</sup> year on 23 and 24 April at Sime Darby Convention Centre. The Opening Ceremony was officiated by the Deputy Minister of Human Resources, YB Dato' Mahfuz Bin Omar. This year's Conference with the theme **"Safety Challenges in the New Era"** attracted 371 participants.

The first day of the Conference started off with opening remarks by MBAM Council Member cum Safety and Health Committee Chairman, Michael Yap which in his speech, he urged everyone to take the opportunity to practice safety management, creating a change in workers mind-set and share the learning experiences with their respective project team members and top management



*MBAM Safety and Health Committee Chairman, Michael Yap delivering his opening remarks*

were presented by industry experts who covered on different aspects relating to the theme of "Safety Challenges in the New Era".



*MBAM President, Foo Chek Lee delivering his welcome address*

The opening ceremony also saw the launch of the inaugural MBAM Lifting Supervisor Training programme. The training is jointly organised by MBAM with its Affiliate Member, Malaysia Mobile Crane Owner's Association (1987) with the support from the Department of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH) Malaysia.

During the Opening Ceremony, MBAM President, Foo Chek Lee in his speech welcomed and expressed his gratitude towards YB Dato' Mahfuz for officiating the Conference. President Foo also took the opportunity to remind participants to embrace competition, accept new technology and move forward by adapting new ways to do business while emphasising on ensuring the safety level on sites are being taken care of.

YB Dato' Mahfuz also congratulated MBAM for being visionary in choosing the theme and successfully organising the Conference this year. 10 papers

During the Opening Ceremony, YB Dato' Mahfuz also presented the MBAM Safety and Health Award 2019 namely for the Safety and Health Award for Site Personnel and the Golden Helmet Award.



*Group photo with recipients of MBAM Safety & Health Award for Site Personnel - Special Mention Prizes (Sunway Construction Sdn Bhd – Cho Chun Fai, Project Manager; Jurutama Sdn Bhd – Mohd Qazar bin Yusop, Project Engineer; and Pembinaan Mitrajaya Sdn Bhd – See Wee Wah, Project Director)*



*Group photo with the participants who successfully completed the 1<sup>st</sup> Intake of Lifting Supervisor Training programme on 26 and 27 March*



Another prestigious award was also presented by YB Dato' Mahfuz which was the MBAM Golden Helmet Award 2019. The Golden Helmet recipient this year was conferred to Dato' Ir Mohtar Bin Musri for his meritorious and untiring contributions to the construction industry.



*Dato' Ir Mohtar Bin Musri posing with the Golden Helmet Award*

The MBAM Annual Safety and Health Conference 2019 was supported by Social Security Organisation Malaysia (SOCSO) and Construction Industry Development Board Malaysia (CIDB); and was endorsed by National Council for Occupational Safety and Health (NCOSH) and Department of Occupational Safety and Health Malaysia (DOSH).

Exhibitors, namely Aerial Lift & Equipment Sdn Bhd, International Powered Access Federation Singapore (IPAF), MBAM Training Services Sdn Bhd and MBAM OneBuild, also set up booths at the Conference to introduce their products and services as well as an opportunity to interact with the participants.



*Group photo with recipient of MBAM Golden Helmet Award 2019, Dato' Ir Mohtar Bin Musri*



*Dato' Mahfuz hitting the gong as a symbolic of officiating the MBAM Annual Safety and Health Conference 2019*



*President Foo presenting a memento to YB Dato' Mahfuz. Also in photo, most left – Deputy Chief Executive (Corporate) of SOCSO Malaysia, Datin Azlaili Binti Abd Rahman; second from right – Deputy Director-General (Occupational Safety) of DOSH Malaysia, Ir Zailee Bin Dollah; and Chairman of Safety & Health Committee, Michael Yap together with MBAM Safety Mascot, Selamat.*



# CONFERENCE ON FUTURE OF WORK, FUTURE SKILLS AND THE LAUNCHING OF LMI GATEWAY & ELECTRONIC TRADE UNION INFORMATION SYSTEM (E-TUIS)

Institute of Labour Market Information and Analysis (ILMIA) together with Jabatan Hal Ehwal Keselamatan Sekerja Malaysia (JHEKS), Ministry of Human Resources organised a Conference on Future of Work, Future Skills and the Launching of Labour Market Information (LMI) Gateway & Electronic Trade Union Information System (e-TUIS) on 23 April at Le Meridien Hotel, Putrajaya. The event was attended by MBAM Secretariat, Mohd Hanif Bin Ismail.

The opening remarks was delivered by Timbalan Ketua Setiausaha (Dasar dan Antarabangsa), Datuk Kua Abun, followed by a presentation by ILMIA Advisor, Lee Chee Sung, who spoke on Future of Work: An Overview. The next presentation was delivered by Ketua Penolong Setiausaha, Bahagian Eko Inovasi, Ministry of Energy, Science, Technology, Environment & Climate Change, Dayang Ratnasari Binti Abu Bakar on Climate Change and Industrial Revolution 4.0.

The afternoon session was a forum moderated by Lee Chee Sung. The panellists were Deputy Secretary General (Strategic Planning), Ministry of Education, Dato' Kamel bin Mohamad; Under Secretary, Policy Division, Ministry of Human Resources, Betty Hassan; Les Copaque Production General Manager, Burhanuddin bin Radzi; and Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Economics and Management, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, Dr Wye Chung Khain.

The forum was very lively especially with questions from the floor on human resource issues.

The Minister of Human Resources, YB Tuan M Kula Segaran arrived in the afternoon to officiate the launching of the LMI Gateway and e-TUIS apps. This was followed by a press conference and lunch for the attendees. Overall the event was informative for the attendees especially the forum with panellist from both public and private sectors.



*YB Tuan M Kula Segaran during the Opening Speech*



*During the Conference*



## FMM — MPOB SEMINAR ON BIODIESEL (B7) IMPLEMENTATION IN INDUSTRIAL SECTOR

Seminar on Biodiesel (B7) Implementation in Industrial Sector was held on 26 April. Welcome remarks by FMM President, Dato' Soh Thian Lai was followed by a speech delivered by the Guest of Honour, Minister of Primary Industries, YB Puan Teresa Kok. Biodiesel (B7) use for all industrial applications will be made mandatory effective on 1 July 2019. When it was announced by Minister of Primary Industries in November 2018, the objectives are to use more local product and make use of palm oil as one of the resources.

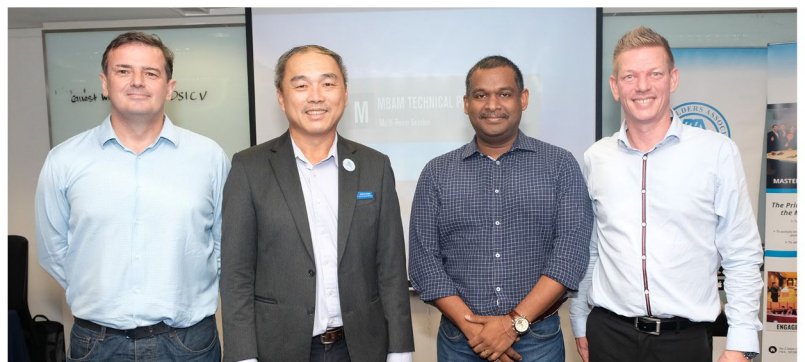
According to YB Teresa Kok, there is a RM 5 Billion insurance taken up for faulty engines during the implementation of B7 for industrial machineries consumption. The government seek the co-operation from all industries to support as the consumption of palm oil will be increased from time to time in the future. Seminar on biodiesel included an overview of biodiesel industry in Malaysia, implementation mandates and procedures for exemption, sharing of experience by three companies namely, Sime Darby Oils Biodiesel Sdn Bhd, ExcelVite Sdn Bhd and FGV Biotechnologies Sdn Bhd.

The seminar was attended by MBAM Secretariat, Lee Siew Mei, Mohd Farhan Bin Mohammad Din and Muhammad Fadzley Bin Salim.

## MBAM TECHNICAL PRODUCT TALK NO. 3/2019 BY DSCAFF GROUP

The above event sponsored by Dscuff Group was attended by 104 participants at Sunway Leadership Centre. Group Managing Director of Dscuff Group, Sunderaj Nagalingam delivered a speech and welcome everyone to the talk. In his speech, he hoped MBAM members will have a better understanding of the range of products and services that his organisation has to offer to improve the productivity of the construction industry.

MBAM Deputy Secretary-General 1, Ong Ka Thiam also delivered a speech to welcome the participants. The scaffolding business has remained pretty much the same for the last 30 years despite the new technologies, not to mention safety standards and green requirements, which have come into the market. He hoped through the speakers and product specialists sharing their experiences and knowledge on Jacking Systems, Sacrificial Prefabricated Stairform, Heavy Duty Shoring and Formwork and Heavy-Duty Slab Form Tables, MBAM members will find the talk beneficial in planning for construction projects.



*Group Photo, from left: Neil, Ong, Sunderaj, Niklas*

Sales and Marketing Director of Dscuff Group, Niklas Gustafsson gave a presentation on Dscuff products as their Jacking Systems, Sacrificial Prefabricated Stairform. While Director Formwork Division of Dscuff Group, Neil Sharpe gave his presentation on Heavy Duty Shoring and Formwork and Heavy-Duty Slab Form Tables and shared some case studies with participants.



# MBAM FELLOWSHIP NO.4/2019



MBAM Fellowship 4/2019 was held on 26 April at Eight Gourmet Gala, Petaling Jaya, Selangor. The above fellowship which was sponsored by Dscaff Group attracted 181 pax to the event.

Group Managing Director of Dscaff Group, Sunderaj Nagalingam delivered the speech on behalf of Dscaff Group. In his speech, he thanked MBAM members for supporting the event and he also gave a brief overview on Dscaff Group.



MBAM Deputy Secretary-General 1 and Chairman of MBAM Fellowship Committee, Ong Ka Thiam also delivered a speech. In his speech, he reciprocated the same to Dscaff for the sponsorship of the event. He then presented a souvenir to Dscaff in appreciation for the generous sponsorship.

## MBAM TRIP TO DANANG, VIETNAM

A group of 27 MBAM Secretariat staff and Council Members together with their spouse went for a trip to Danang, Vietnam on 27 – 30 April. The 4 days 3 nights vacation was a short getaway retreat for the Secretariat which I had the opportunity as well.

Upon arriving at the Danang International Airport, we were welcomed by the local tour guide before proceeding to the first destination, Cham Museum. Then, we visited the Love Bridge situated along the Han River where we had the opportunity to capture the fabulous scenery from the bridge. We also enjoyed the view of Dragon Bridge which is located not far from Love Bridge. Before nightfall, we were treated to dinner at a local restaurant.

In the morning of the second day, we visited and climbed up the Marble Mountains. It is a cluster of five marble and limestone hills. The next destination was the Water Coconut Plantation. It was a fun experience to ride in the basket boat and travel along the river. After lunch, we had

the chance to do some sightseeing and shopping in the ancient city of Hoi An Market. We proceeded on a river cruise along Han River after dinner to enjoy the night view of Danang while enjoying the fire show from Dragon Bridge and traditional dance performed on the cruise ride.

On the third day, we visited the Ba Na Hills. We took the cable car up the hill to see the famous Golden Bridge and spent some leisure time in the French Village after lunch.

The morning of the fourth and final day was spent sightseeing and shopping at Han Market. We enjoyed the local lunch before leaving for airport.

I hope all the Secretariat staff have had a great trip and feel recharged to continue to work hard for the growth of the Association upon returning to work.





## OTHER KEY EVENTS ATTENDED BY MBAM REPRESENTATIVES IN APRIL:

### 2 April

Ulasan umum dan stakeholder consultation session bagi draf “Penarafan Hijau bagi fasiliti bangunan kediaman dan bukan kediaman” was attended by Gan Wah Lian at Kompleks SIRIM, Shah Alam, Selangor.

### 4 April

Lighthouse Club KL April Get Together was attended by MBAM General Manager, Lenny Lim at Jarrod and Rawlins Bangkung, Bangsar, Kuala Lumpur.

### 5 April

White Paper Meeting - Draft White Paper Report (2nd Session) was attended by MBAM General Manager, Michael Thong at Menara MITI, Kuala Lumpur.

A Talk on Proportionality In, Actual Loss Out was attended by MBAM Vice Presidents, Oliver Wee, and Steven Shee; Technical Director, Ir Chuan Yeong Ming; and General Manager, Lenny Lim at AIAC, Kuala Lumpur.

### 9 April

Presentation of White Paper on Steel to Minister was attended by MBAM Executive Director, Loh Mei Ling and General Manager, Michael Thong at Menara MITI, Kuala Lumpur.

MBAM Secretariat staff attended a briefing on editorial guidelines by publishing agent, Memo Publishing Sdn Bhd. The Editor, Alex Choo and Assistant Editor, Lim Hong Meng advised what information to look out for when attending an event and deduce the information of the events. These included detail of key topics of the event, highlights, conclusion or take away from the event/talk/discussion and list the key people who attended the meeting other than the name, date and location of the events. They also advised on the image selection and quality and suggested how to take photos for various scenarios. A Q & A section entailed before concluding the briefing. It is my hope that the Secretariat will be able to learn and improve their next publication of bulletin and MBJ.

### 11 April

Nordic Seminar and National Day Celebration 2019 was attended by MBAM Vice President, Dennis Tan and Assistant General Manager, Lee Siew Mei at JW Marriot Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

### 16 April

I-Work Stakeholders Workshop for British Council was attended by MBAM Executive Director, Loh Mei Ling at Intercontinental Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

Mesuarat TC-PLC, Bil.9 was attended by MBAM Deputy Sec-Gen 1, Ong Ka Thiam at CIDB Headquarters, Kuala Lumpur.

Mesuarat Majlis Negara bagi Keselamatan dan Kesihatan Pekerjaan Bil. 01/2019 dan Lawatan Kerja was attended by MBAM Safety and Health Committee Chairman, Michael Yap in Langkawi.

MBAM President, Foo Chek Lee was interviewed by reporters from RTM/Bernama and TV3 in his office in MBAM on the topic related to ECRL.

### 18 April

Mobile Crane Lifting Skills Competition 2019 was attended by MBAM Deputy Sec-Gen 1, Ong Ka Thiam at ABM Wilayah Tengah, Kuala Lumpur.

### 20 April

MMCOA's 32<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Dinner was attended by MBAM Immediate Past President, Datuk Matthew Tee, MBAM Vice Presidents – Liew Hau Seng, Oliver Wee, Dato' Ubull Din Om, MBAM Treasurer General, Kenneth Liew, MBAM Deputy Secretary-General Ong Ka Thiam, MBAM Council Member, Au Yong Yoke Lin, MBAM Building Technical Committee Chairman, Chung Soo Kiong and General Manager, Lenny Lim at HXC Grand Ballroom, ICC Pudu. An exhibition was also held to promote services by MMCOA members before the start of the dinner by MMCOA which is an Affiliate Member of MBAM.



The event was graced by Minister of Transport, YB Tuan Anthony Loke. MBAM had the opportunity to present a souvenir and also received souvenir from MMCOA at the event.

IEM 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner and Awards Night 2019 was attended by MBAM Vice President, Steven Shee and Secretariat, Muhammad Nazreen Bin Mohd Bakruddin at Sunway Resort Hotel & Spa, Petaling Jaya.

## 22 April

GZMIA representative Vice President, Zhi Liu and 2019 Conmart Expo International Exhibition for Import-Export Trading of Construction Machinery Overseas Marketing Manager, Liang Zhou paid a courtesy visit to MBAM. Representing MBAM was President, Foo Chek Lee; Executive Director, Loh Mei Ling, General Manager, Lenny Lim. Also in attendance was MBAM Onebuild Executive Director, Roger KB Lim. The purpose of the visit was to promote 2019 Conmart Expo from 1-3 August 2019 at China Import and Exhibition Fair Pazhou Complex, Guangzhou, China. The event is an International Exhibition for Import-Export Trading of Construction Machinery.

## 24 – 26 April

CIDB Wokshop on CIS: 2019 OSH BQ for Engineering Works and Building Works was attended by MBAM Safety and Health Committee Member, Mohd Yusof Kasiron.

## 25 April

REHDA – Future Forward Forum 2019 was attended by MBAM General Manager, Lenny Lim at Connexions Conference and Event Centre, Kuala Lumpur.

FMM Networking Session was attended by MBAM Manager, Lim Jong Joan at Nicsmann 1940s by Lewre, Starling Mall, Petaling Jaya.

UNM-MES Digital Construction Hub Signing Ceremony cum ShareBIM Product Launch was attended by MBAM Senior Assistant Manager, Muhammad Fadzley Bin Salim at University of Nottingham, Chulan Tower, Kuala Lumpur.

National Ready-Mixed Concrete Association of Malaysia (NRMCA) 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Dinner was attended by MBAM Vice President, Dennis Tan and Council Member, Chong Tat Yam at Tropicana Golf & Country Resort, Petaling Jaya.

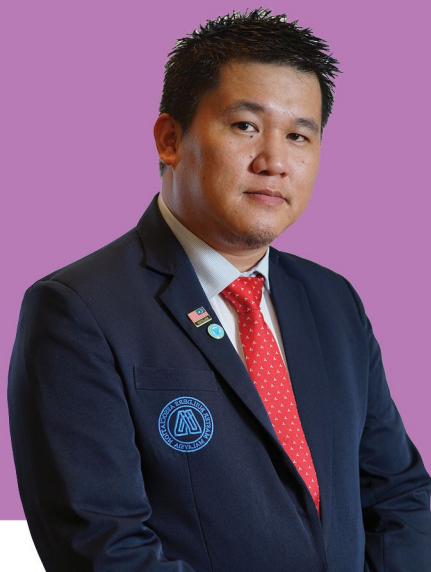
## 26 April

eTRADE Consultation Day at Menara MATRADE & Mahir Digital Bersama Google was attended by MBAM Manager, Mohd Farhan at Menara MATRADE, Kuala Lumpur.

American Concrete Institute - Malaysia Chapter Gala Dinner 2019 was attended by MBAM Council Member, Lau Yew Mun and Assistant General Manager, Lee Siew Mei at Pullman Bangsar, Kuala Lumpur.

## 30 April

MISIF Golf Invitational Challenge was participated by MBAM Vice President, Dennis Tan at Tropicana Golf & Country Resort, Petaling Jaya.



Yours faithfully,  
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