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Eric Yong
MBAM Secretary General



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MBAM Events

Courtesy Visit to HR Webinar Speakers

MBAM Vice President cum Chairman of Human Resources Committee Dennis Tan together with Secretariat took some time to meet up with a few speakers for a number of MBAM HR Webinars, to thank and brief them on the webinar process.



Dennis met with Collaboration Specialist of Cisco Systems (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd, Shaun Teh (most right) on 11 August



Dennis met with the Director of Foreign Workers Division of Department of Immigration Malaysia, Tuan Mohammad Abiddin and Puan Haslina Shamsudin on 14 August

Meeting with KLIACS on CIDB PRIHATIN Programme and Collaboration on Education Programme for Construction Industry



Major Ir. Kamarulzaman (third from left) and Loh (third from right) with other meeting attendees

The meeting with CEO of KLI College, Major Ir. Kamarulzaman was held on 12 August in MBAM. MBAM Executive Director Loh Mei Ling welcomed the delegation from KLIACS. The meeting discussed on a proposed collaboration between Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia (UTHM) and KLI College with MBAM. They are seeking for MBAM support and endorsement for their Executive Master in Project Management and Executive Master in Construction Management programme. MBAM was informed that they are also seeking the Construction Industry Development Board Malaysia (CIDB) to endorse both programmes. Additionally, they also wishes to appoint MBAM Deputy President Tan Sri Sufri Hj. Mohd Zin as "Construction Industry Icon" under these two programmes.

Meeting with the Export Promotion & Market Access Division, MATRADE



Dennis presenting a copy of Master Builders Journal to Datin Rusiah

MBAM Vice President Dennis Tan, Council Member Ir. Chee Weng Loon, Executive Director Loh Mei Ling, Secretariat Lee Siew Mei and Mohd Farhan met with Director of Export Promotion & Market Access Division MATRADE, Datin Rusiah on 17 August in MBAM. MATRADE invited MBAM to participate in the International Built Environment Week (IBEW) 2020 Virtual Exhibition which was scheduled to be held from 1 – 25 September 2020. Featured activities include a virtual booth (video/slide replay at virtual booth, documents upload (x10), live text chat, logo branding and virtual booth manning by exhibitor during opening hours), participation in MATRADE-led webinar sessions, participation in MATRADE-led networking session and up to 5 business meetings. Other matter discussed included the possibility of collaboration and assistance from MATRADE especially on financial (bond) and country market information by various trade offices for the contractors interested in going overseas.

MBAM Dialogue with Persatuan Industri Fasad Malaysia (PIFM)



President Foo presenting a memento to PIFM President Lee Han Koon

On 18 August, Persatuan Industri Fasad Malaysia (PIFM) visited MBAM for a dialogue to enhance the relationship and collaboration between both Associations. MBAM congratulate the newly formed PIFM early of this year. The dialogue discussed both Associations' role, function, activities, education programmes and trainings. Some issues raised during the dialogue were impact of COVID-19 to construction industry, GST refund to construction companies, foreign workers issues, Government's guidelines and the standard implementation of CIDB MS832: 2011 – Aluminium Alloy Windows – Specification.

MBAM was represented by President Foo Chek Lee, Vice President Steven Shee, Council Member cum Deputy Chairman of Affiliate Member Committee Fong Tet Yoong, Executive Director Loh Mei Ling and Secretariat. From PIFM were President Lee Han Koon, Vice President Fong Kok Leong, Secretary Alan Wong Poh Kin, Assistant Secretary Joe Lam Wye Hoe and Treasurer Terence Teh Tiang Hoong.

MBAM Brainstorming Session 2020



The above event with the theme "Building the Next Decade" was held on 22 August at Sunway Resort Hotel & Spa. It was attended by 27 MBAM Council Members led by President Foo Chek Lee, as well as MBAM Secretariat. The opening speech was delivered by President Foo followed by a briefing on the aims and objectives of the session by me. The event then was handed over to the moderator of the brainstorming session, MBAM Honorary Advisor, Dato' Ir. Tan Kia Loke.

For MBAM Brainstorming Session 2020, the Council Members were divided into five groups. After a period of intense brainstorming, the session saw presentations from each groups on the grades assigned to the previous KPIs as well as on new KPIs set for MBAM committees under review. Each presenter also fielded questions from the floor on the new KPIs and the session was then closed with the presentation of the Summary, Deliberations and Conclusion by Dato' Ir. Tan. The closing speech was delivered by the Immediate Past President, Datuk Matthew Tee. President Foo and I also took the opportunity to thank Dato' Ir. Tan again for agreeing to be the moderator for MBAM Brainstorming Session.

It is hoped the new KPIs set at this Brainstorming session will help drive the Association to greater heights especially as the industry is facing tough times due to global economic headwinds and the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

Courtesy Visit to the office of Secretary-General of Ministry of Works (MOW) Malaysia

MBAM paid a courtesy visit to the Secretary General of Ministry of Works Malaysia, Dato' Dr. Syed Omar Sharifuddin Bin Syed Ikhsan on 26 August at Dato's office in MOW Kuala Lumpur. Present were MBAM Immediate President Datuk Matthew Tee, Deputy President Tan Sri Sufri Haji Mohd Zin, Council Member Datuk Astaman Abdul Aziz, Executive Director Loh Mei Ling; and Assistant General Manager Lee Siew Mei.

Issues discussed include:

- Appeal for extension of moratorium after 30 September 2020
- Appeal for bridging loan facilities
- Request update for COVID-19 Bill
- Appeal for more projects for the construction industry
- Transfer of Employee

MBAM seeks the support of Dato' to endorse the list of nominees from MBAM for the Federal Awards submission. In conclusion, MBAM will continue to work with MOW and play our role to help transform the construction industry together.

MBAM Education Fund Scholarship Award 2020 Presentation



MBAM Education Fund Scholarship 2020 held a brief scholarship award presentation on 28 August in MBAM. Seven scholarships were awarded for undergraduate studies of which two scholarships were sponsored under MBAM-Lighthouse Club Kuala Lumpur, one sponsored under MBAM-BK Entrustly scholarship and one sponsored under MBAM-Datuk Astaman Abdul Aziz scholarship. Collectively, the total scholarship for the new recipients over their duration of studies is RM160,000.

Since 2004, MBAM has been awarding scholarship amounting to about RM2.81 million and a total of 157 scholarship recipients benefited from it. MBAM Honorary Advisor (Education) cum Chairman of Education Fund Board of Management Chua Siow Leng accompanied MBAM Deputy President Tan Sri Sufri Hj. Mohd Zin to give away the scholarship awards to the students.

Also present at the presentation ceremony were President of Lighthouse Club Kuala Lumpur Ronan Collins and Secretary-General Bert de Munck, and Managing Director of BK Entrustly Sr Ong Hock Tek, MBAM Honorary Advisors and Council Members.



MBAM Training

COVID-19: Update on Policies Related to Hiring Foreign Workers, Enforcement Action on Foreign Workers at Construction Sites & PLKS Renewal (Post MCO)

The third session of MBAM HR Webinar was held on 5 August via Zoom. The webinar focused on enhancing awareness on the latest government policies and enforcement on the employment of foreign workers and on PLKS renewal for foreign workers. The speakers were Khairul Anwar Dahalan from Ministry of Home Affairs and Haslina Shamsuddin from Immigration Department of Malaysia. Khairul Anwar talked about the latest procedures for applying change of employer, as well as on the operations at OSC KDN such as payment of levy, interview and approval requirements. The second speaker, Haslina talked about the renewal of e-PLKS, the process and the requirements. A total of 100 participants attended the webinar.

COVID-19: Work from Home, IT Security and Employment Act Compliance (Post MCO)

The fourth session of HR Webinar was held on 19 August via Cisco Webex. The webinar focused on how to implement work from home, such as what are the basic requirements and the basic setup, and enhancing the awareness on the Employment Act. The speakers were Shaun Teh from Cisco Systems (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd and Rhymie Mohd Ramli from Department of Labour. Shaun talked about the preparation for work from home, setting up video conference, file sharing, proposed software solutions and IT security issues. Rhymie on the other hand discussed issues related to wages, variation of contract of service as well as on termination of employment. A total of 55 participants attended the Webinar.

MBAM Lifting Supervisor Training, 22nd Intake in August 2020

Successfully held on 11 – 12 August with a total of 26 participants. The in-house training was conducted at SIPP-Syarikat Pembinaan Yeoh Tiong Lay Sdn Bhd JV Project Site in Kluang, Johor. The MBAM Lifting Supervisor Training is an industrial based training and is jointly organised with MBAM Affiliate member, Malaysia Mobile Crane Owner's Association (1987). It is also supported by DOSH Malaysia as one of the industrial based competency training.

The Lifting Supervisor Course aims to provide participants with crucial knowledge and skills to enable the participants to undertake Lifting Supervisor duties according to the lifting plan and Job Safety Analysis required for lifting operation. Day-1 classroom training focused on technical knowledge on lifting activities which includes regulatory legislation, understanding the roles and responsibilities of a lifting supervisor, hand signals, understanding lifting activities and cranes, reading of load charts and lifting plan. Practical training and assessment on Day-2 were conducted at site with lifting activities. Trainees' technical knowledge were applied in actual lifting actions and they learn how to communicate with other lifting team members such as slingers, riggers, signalman and crane operator to carry out operations effectively and safely. Participants were required to individually develop their own lifting plan and Job Safety Analysis according to the different scenarios given as part of the assessment.

MBAM members are encouraged to conduct an in-house training whereby MBAM Lifting Supervisor training team is able to customise the training to accommodate to company's need in filling up the skill gap of their employees.

Think Automation First Webinar #3: How and Where to Start the RPA Journey

Live Webinar

MBAM **UiPath Partner** **HITACHI** Inspire the Next

3rd Session

THINK AUTOMATION FIRST
HOW AND WHERE TO START
THE ROBOTIC PROCESS
AUTOMATION (RPA) JOURNEY

12th August 2020 | 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm
 | Online Via Microsoft Teams

Speakers

- Janice Kong**
Executive Partner Applications, Hitachi Sunway Information Systems
- Tang YK**
Enterprise Solutions Architect, Hitachi Sunway Information Systems
- Letchumy Adekan**
Intelligent Process Automation Leader, Sunway Group
- Ronald Chong**
Certified UiPath RPA Developer, Hitachi Sunway Information Systems

MBAM ICT and Data Resource Centre successfully organised the webinar on 12 August, MBAM's joint collaboration with Hitachi Sunway Information Systems and UiPath. 38 participants attended the webinar.

MBAM Vice President cum ICT and Data Resource Centre Chairman Steven Shee in his speech said that the webinar is glad to share on how to gain insights to the prescribed methodology in launching successful automation journeys of process identification and prioritization, detailed process assessment, pilot and review.

Hitachi Sunway Information Systems Solution Architect, Tang Yew Kong shared on how to identify processes that can be automated by using Robotics Process Automation (RPA). Firstly is to determine processes that are suitable to be automated such as task that can be highly manual and repetitive processes, ruled based processes, high volume and many others. The input must be in digital format so that the RPA can work efficiently. Tang also shared that the most common processes that implemented RPA are in the Finance and Accounting, Customer Service and Human Resources department.

Sunway Group Intelligent Automation Leader, Letchumy Adekan shared on how to start the journey to automation. She advised that it is important to setup a steering committee comprises of top management, business owner process, information technology personnel, human resources and audit representatives, citing Sunway Group as an example. They believe it is about implementing virtual workforce and therefore it requires significant change management in transforming the processes from human based to virtual bot.

Hitachi Sunway Information Systems Certified UiPath RPA Developer, Ronald Chong in his demo showed a 3-Way matching process by finance staff whereby it simulate an increase of speed handling the process, reducing manual interaction needed for the process and minimise human error throughout the process. The objective of the demo was to create awareness of change management and process improvement.

Hitachi Sunway Information Systems Executive Partner Applications, Janice Kong in her closing shared on RPA capabilities integrating with Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) that would produce a positive business outcome through digitalisation where it could minimise material, time and effort wastage throughout the process, maximise the value creation and improving productivity and profitability.

The next session would focus on how to leverage software robots to free-up resources from repetitive, tedious and mundane tasks whilst achieving higher accuracy and learn what are the high automation potential processes recommended to deliver significant ROIs.

Safety and Health Assessment System in Construction (SHASSIC) Assessor Training

MBAM in collaboration with CIDB Malaysia, have successfully organised a one-day SHASSIC Assessor Training on 18 August at MBAM Training Centre. A total of 32 participants attended the training.

SHASSIC is an independent method to assess and evaluate the safety and health at the worksite in the construction projects. It was published as Construction Industry Standard (CIS) in November 2008 and was further reviewed in 2018 to keep abreast with the needs of the latest construction industry development. It provides a standard measurement tool for Safety and Health assessment at site and to assist in ensuring OSH procedures and systems are in place towards OSH Management Certification. With the SHASSIC implementation, it helps in continuous OSH improvement and ultimately, reduce accident rate of the construction industry.

A written assessment was conducted by CIDB at the end of the training and those who passed the assessment will be qualified as a CIDB SHASSIC Assessor after participating a live SHASSIC assessment together with CIDB.



Think Automation First Webinar #4: Automate End-To-End of the Con-

Continuing with Think Automation First webinar series, organised by MBAM ICT and Data Resource Centre, the last webinar was held on 26 August on a joint collaboration with Hitachi Sunway Information Systems and UiPath. 30 participants attended the Webinar.

MBAM General Manager, Lenny Lim in his speech said that the webinar aimed to share on how to leverage software robots to free-up resources from repetitive, tedious and mundane tasks whilst achieving higher accuracy and learn what are the high automation potential processes recommended to deliver significant ROIs?

Hitachi Sunway Information Systems Solution Architect, Tang Yew Kong shared on how Robotics Process Automation (RPA) can help on the supply chain for construction. There are several areas in construction and engineering business supply chain eco-system such as contractors, sub-contractors, consultants, clients, architects, material supplier, equipment suppliers and many others in the supply chain. He recommended and explained on sub-contractor certification and payment processing to adopt the RPA which is under sub-contractors claims, certification and payment processing.

Sunway Group RPA Implementation Manager, Yvonne Ng shared on the journey of Sunway Group to automation and processes with high automation potential for the construction industry. She also shared on the potential RPA for construction industry which is Contract Data Entry, Construction Material Received Entry, Bill of Quantities (BOQ) Data Extraction, Progress Claim Entry and Site Cost Report. Based on Sunway Group's experience and journey to automation, a company should create an awareness to the organisation, identify right process for automation, think of process improvement from user and upskilling staff before adopting an automation.

Hitachi Sunway Information Systems Executive Partner Applications, Janice Kong in her closing shared on supply chain eco-system consists of Supply Chain Management (SCM), Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) and Customer Relationship Management (CRM) result in an improvement of business value such as business growth and sustainability, business visibility and increase of efficiency in productivity.

MBAM Members are eligible to get a complimentary of automation discovery session with Hitachi Sunway and UiPath to embark and start adopting automation in their organisation.

Events Attended by MBAM

Selangor & Federal Territory of Kuala Lumpur Kin Cho Hong – Swearing-In Ceremony

MBAM President Foo Chek Lee and Vice President Dennis Tan were the invited VIPs who witnessed the swearing-in of the new office bearers of the Selangor and Federal Territory of Kuala Lumpur Kin Cho Hong, held in Kuala Lumpur on 2 August. MBAM secretariat staff were also present at the ceremony.

President Foo congratulated the newly elected office bearers and Leong Kien Keong, who was re-elected as President for three consecutive terms. Under Leong's leadership, Kin Cho Hong actively participated in solving issues in the construction industry with CIDB, PEMUDAH and MITI, while working closely with MBAM.

President Foo highlighted the current challenges faced by the construction industry due to the effect of the COVID-19 pandemic, which include monetary losses due to loss of employment, losses incurred in construction material supply, rental and supply of equipment, and other losses incurred by more than 190 downstream industries.

To ease the current financial situation more, MBAM has urged the Government to consider offering short-term bridging loans with low interests to the industry. On the issues of shortage of skilled workers, MBAM proposed that the Government should look into restructuring the foreign workers programme to retain skilled foreign workers with no bad record. To move the industry forward, President Foo mooted for the setting up of a special fund for the purpose of automation and digitalisation of the industry.

China-ASEAN Business Council (CABC): Video Conference on China (Shaanxi)-ASEAN Investment Cooperation

The China-ASEAN Business Council (CABC) being one of the dialogue and cooperation mechanisms between China and ASEAN countries has been actively assisting business communities in China and ASEAN countries to strengthen the response and cooperation in the economic field to reduce impact to bilateral economic activities caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

In order to promote economic and business cooperation between China and ASEAN countries, and enhance the economic and trade exchanges between China's Shaanxi Province and ASEAN countries, CABC held the "China (Shaanxi)-ASEAN Investment Cooperation Video Conference" on 5 August 2020 and it was participated by MBAM Assistant General Manager Lee Siew Mei. The meeting was co-sponsored by CABC, Shaanxi Provincial Department of Commerce, and Shaanxi Provincial Council for the Promotion of International Trade.

The conference was graced by Vice Governor of Shaanxi Province Xu Datong. It was noted that in recent years, the economic and trade relations between Shaanxi and ASEAN countries have continued to deepen and the cooperation has achieved fruitful results. Xu said that the open development of Shaanxi and ASEAN countries have complementary industrial advantages and great potential for cooperation. He sincerely hoped that the forum would be used as an opportunity to further deepen the pragmatic cooperation between Shaanxi and ASEAN countries in a higher level and broader fields and achieve common development.

Representatives from the Government of Philippines, Laos, Thailand and local authorities of Shaanxi Province including Executive President of CABC Xu Ningning also shared their report and updates.

Site Visit to PNB118 Project Site Kuala Lumpur and OSHCIM Programme



MBAM President Foo Chek Lee receiving a Certificate of Appointment from the Minister Datuk Seri M. Saravanan as the Chairman of OSHCIM Professional Committee

On 6 August, MBAM President Foo Chek Lee was invited by the Department of Occupational Safety & Health (DOSH) to attend a Site Visit to PNB118 Project Site together with the Minister of Human Resources Malaysia in conjunction with the Occupational Safety & Health for Construction Industry (Management) – OSHCIM Appreciation Ceremony.

The event was officiated by Minister of Human Resources, Datuk Seri M. Saravanan. The Minister together with other invited guests had a site walk to the PNB project site, one of the pilot projects adopting the OSHCIM concept in the construction of their buildings.

To coincide with the site visit, DOSH has arranged a Presentation Ceremony for Certificate of Appreciation to individuals who have committed to the implementation of OSHCIM and also to the companies that took part in the OSHCIM pilot project and successfully applied OSHCIM concept in their project sites.

MBAM President Foo Chek Lee was appointed the Chairman of the OSHCIM Professional Committee under the National Council for Occupational Safety and Health (NCOSH) Construction Bureau and received a Certificate of Appointment from the Minister during the Ceremony.

MIGHT Focus Group Discussion (FGD) on New Industrial Master Plan

The opening remarks and introduction on the Malaysian Industry-Government Group for High Technology (MIGHT) was presented by its Senior Principal Analyst I, Ts Zulkiflee Mohamad. Established in 1993, MIGHT is a partnership technology think tank and represents the voice of the industry with over 90 members with several strategic international partnerships. Datuk Ir (Dr) Abdul Rahim Hashim and Tan Sri Dr Ir Ahmad Tajuddin Ali are joint-chairmen for the Government and industry respectively. MIGHT is currently embarking on the New Industrial Master Plan for Malaysia (NIMP 2021-2030) to chart the future direction of the industrial development in Malaysia. The mission is to navigate Malaysian industries to be resilient and prosperous through enhancement of the nation's capabilities, connectedness and competitiveness, to be on par with top global competitive nations by 2030. Thus, the theme 'Resilience and Prosperity' for NIMP 2021-2030 was chosen.

Significant advancement in megatrends and global industry transformation have impacted Malaysia as an open economy. This call for a structural change ('new normal') in the industry and transformation to business models, people skills and culture, eco-system support and technology. The New IMP will lead the Malaysian construction industry into the 'new normal' by enhancing existing core strengths while arming the industry with advancement in technologies, strong domestic supply chain and eco-systems support as defined in the capability and connectedness dimensions.

A FGD with industry players was conducted to discuss strategies for drafting the New IMP Policy, including implementation and communication plans. MBAM will disseminate the relevant information to members from time to time of any updates pertaining to this matter.

The FGD was held at MIGHT Partnership Hub in Cyberjaya and MBAM was represented by Council Member Datuk Astaman Abdul Aziz.

CIDB Mesyuarat Jawatankuasa Isu Berkaitan Kontrak Dalam Projek Pembinaan

CIDB Chief Executive Datuk Ir. Ahmad 'Asri Abdul Hamid chaired a meeting amongst industry players to discuss the impact of COVID-19 on contracts, COVID-19 Bill, cash flow problems faced by contractors and the industry, retention sum as well as what can be done to assist contractors. MBAM also recommended MBAM Mediation Services to help the industry manage their disputes.

The meeting was attended by MBAM Deputy President Tan Sri Haji Sufri Haji Mohd Zin and MBAM Vice President and Chairman of MBAM Contracts and Practices Committee Oliver Wee at the CIDB Head Office.

IFAWPCA Finance Committee Meeting

MBAM President Foo Chek Lee, Honorary Advisor John Tong, Immediate Past President Datuk Matthew Tee, Technical Director Ir. Chuan Yeong Ming, Treasurer-General Kenneth Liew, Executive Director Loh Mei Ling and Secretariat Lee Siew Mei attended the IFAWPCA Finance Meeting held on 18 August. The online meeting was also attended by Committee member from the Construction Association of Korea, Singapore Contractors Association Ltd, Thai Contractors Association, Overseas Construction Association of Japan, Inc. and Philippines Constructors' Association.

Seminar: Updates on Extension of Time and Housing Laws

The above seminar organised by REHDA Institute was attended by MBAM Vice President and Chairman of MBAM Contracts and Practices Committee, Oliver Wee who was a panellist at the seminar. Also in attendance was MBAM General Manager, Lenny Lim and Secretariat Shahila Atika.

The panel discussion on the topic of "Is it time for the Government to seriously review on the Extension of Time and make relevant changes to Act 118 of the Housing Law?" was moderated by REHDA President, Datuk Soam Heng Choon. Oliver said that with the COVID-19 pandemic and the resumption of work during the Movement Control Order (MCO) and Recovery MCO, contractors are hard pressed to deliver the projects as the EOT given may not be sufficient to make up for lost time due to the many SOP that is being enforced by the various authorities. Currently, there is also the difficulty to obtain skilled workers in the construction industry as many foreign workers have gone back to their source countries. Contractors are also facing cash flow problems and have to deal with their sub-contractors and suppliers who are also being pressured to deliver.

Oliver hopes that an amicable resolution can be achieved between developers, contractors and the home purchasers to ensure the construction industry can continue to serve the nation despite the challenges faced. He also hoped that this will be taken as an option for disputing parties as provided in the draft COVID-19 Bill.



Oliver as panellist



Meeting with International Labour Organisation (ILO)



Mazlan (left) and President Foo at the meeting

The meeting with ILO held at Malaysian Employers Federation (MEF) Headquarters on 25 August was attended by President Foo Chek Lee, HR Committee Member Mazlan Haron and Manager Mohd Farhan. The meeting was chaired by the Executive Director of MEF, Datuk Hj Shamsuddin. The objective of the session was to discuss and provide better understanding to ILO on the skills and training requirements for construction industry.

Workshop on Guidelines for Construction Solid Waste Management

MBAM Environment and Green Technology Committee Member, S. Ramesh represented MBAM to attend the above workshop held on 27 August. It was noted that the guidelines which was published by the Solid Waste Corporation in September 2012 is due for an update. The purposes of the workshop were to:

- To ensure that guidelines are able to address issues arising from the provision of a solid waste management system which is not planned and designed in line with the planning aspects and specifications set
- The guidelines are prepared to explain in detail on the implementation method of systematic solid waste management in accordance with the compliance of solid waste Management and Public Cleansing Act 2007 (Act 672) enforced on 1 September 2011 in Perlis, Kedah, Pahang, Federal Territory of Kuala Lumpur & Putrajaya, Negeri Sembilan, Melaka and Johor; and
- To provide clarification on the criteria and general standards in designing solid waste management facilities so that it is planned based on estimated residual amounts generated and implemented with effective cost and latest technology without compromising the requirements of its functions (cost effective and functional).

Ramesh participated actively in the workshop and provided feedback and input of current practices in the construction industry to the Committee. The updated copy of the guidelines will be circulated by SWCorp once it is available.

Malaysian Services Providers Confederation (MSPC) 32nd General Council Meeting (GCM) and 11th Annual General Meeting

MSPC 32nd GCM and 11th AGM on 27 August was held at Asia Pacific University of Technology and Innovation (APU), Bukit Jalil. The event was attended by MBAM Immediate Past President Datuk Matthew Tee who is also MSPC Vice President. In attendance was MBAM General Manager, Lenny Lim. At the event, MSPC also signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Malaysia Board of Technologist (MBOT) and PLYTEC Systems Sdn Bhd for future collaborations to promote professional services.

Other key events attended by MBAM Representative in August 2020 :

5 August

Meeting with Prof Fadzil on Certified Construction Manager (CCM) Certified Training Center was attended by Executive Director Loh Mei Ling and Secretariat at MBAM Tan Sri Datuk Tee Hock Seng Conference Room.

10 August

Industrial Advisory Panel Meeting 01/2020 was attended by Technical Director Ir. Chuan Yeong Ming at Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM) Nibong Tebal.

17 August

Ministry of Human Resources Construction Industry Bureau Meeting under the National Council for Occupational Safety and Health No.1/2020 was attended by Council Member cum Chairman of Safety and Health Committee Michael Yap and Senior Manager Chai Min Fung at DOSH Office, Putrajaya.

Technical Committee Meeting on Ceramic Materials and Sanitary Fittings was attended by General Manager Michael Thong at CIDB Office, World Trade Centre, Kuala Lumpur.

CIDB Working Group on CCM No.6/2020 was attended by Executive Director Loh Mei Ling and Secretariat at CIDB Office, World Trade Centre, Kuala Lumpur.

18 August

Working Group on Mobile Elevating Work Platform (MEWP) Module Development was attended by Council Member cum Chairman of Safety and Health Committee Michael Yap and Secretariat at MBAM Tan Sri Datuk Tee Hock Seng Conference Room.

Technical Committee Meeting TC/D/11 Building Design and Construction Meeting was attended by General Manager Michael Thong via Zoom.

19 August

PEMUDAH Private Sector Virtual Meeting No.16/2020 was attended by President Foo Chek Lee via Cisco Webex.

Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB) Board Meeting was attended by President Foo Chek Lee at CIDB Office, World Trade Centre, Kuala Lumpur.

MPC Technical Working Group on Registering Property (TWGRP) Meeting No. 2/2020 was attended by General Manager Lenny Lim via Microsoft Teams.

24 August

Technical Committee Meeting TC/D/21 Code of Practice Concrete Design was attended by General Manager Michael Thong via Zoom.

26 August

Department of Standards Malaysia (DOS): Technical Committee Meeting on Fire Properties of Building Material TC/M/6 No.4/2020 was attended by General Manager Michael Thong at DOS Office, Cyberjaya.

27 August

Working Group on Ceramic Tiles Meeting was attended by MBAM Representative Ir. Quah Beng Teong and General Manager Michael Thong via Zoom.

Meeting with KLIA Consultancy Services Sdn Bhd (KLIACS) on Construction Site Supervisor (CSS) Programme under the CIDB Prihatin Budget was attended by Executive Director Loh Mei Ling and Secretariat at Centre of Excellence (CoE) KLIACS, Bangi.



A handwritten signature in white ink, consisting of a stylized 'A' followed by a dot.

ERIC YONG SHANG MING
Secretary-General