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Dato' Sri Fric Kuan **MBAM Secretary General**

It seems like a blink of an eye but we are already in April, the fourth month of the year and the start of the second quarter of the year.

We will be having our Annual General Meeting in two months time and I hope members have already booked the date in your calendars.

As usual, MBAM have a lot of activities to be reported in this bulletin and planned throughout the year so please continue to support us as we work towards the betterment of the Malaysian constructon industry.

HIGHLIGHTS

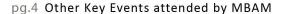
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MBAM Event(s)

Mbam Fellowship No.2/2022



The above event took place on 1 April 2022 at Shisha Lounge, Solaris Mont Kiara and was attended by 79 attendees. MBAM Council Member and Chairman of MBAM Fellowship Committee, Alec Chong delivered the welcome speech. Director, JD Solutions Sdn Bhd, Jay Shankar and CEO, Toshi Sdn Bhd, Ganesh Chandran delivered a speech as sponsors.

ICON Base Sdn Bhd was also acknowledged as one of the sponsors of the event.

Overall, it was a successful event. We hope for more member companies to come forward to organise Fellowships with us in order to provide a platform for members to mingle and create business relationships with each other.





Malaysian Interior Industry Partners Association (MIIP) Technical visit to Space Products Sdn Bhd (SPACE)



MIIP, an affiliate member of the Master Builders Association Malaysia (MBAM) together with MBAM made a technical visit to Space Products Sdn Bhd on 23 April 2022.

MBAM was as a guest to join in the above visit organised by MIIP.

On hand to welcome the participants from MIIP and MBAM were Bella Chong, Managing Director and Karen Chong, Manager together with the team members of SPACE.

SPACE, a member of MIIP, is the manufacturer of the SPaceTM range of metal building products such as metal louvres, sunshades, strip ceiling. Karen Chong presented the various products on the technical specs, aesthetic features, design, installation system and the various projects using the various products. This was followed with a visit to the factory to view the production process which was conducted by Bella Chong.

At the end of the visit, a tea break and a group photo session and presentation of memento marked the occasion. Overall, the technical visit was very educational and can be considered a successful event.

MBAM was represented by General Manager, Michael Thong.

Government-Industry TVET Coordination Body (GITC) Protem

The National Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) Council or Majlis TVET Negara (MTVET) which met on 3 February 2022 has endorsed the establishment of the Government-Industry TVET Coordination Body (GITC) to move forward the TVET empowerment agenda of an industry-driven TVET ecosystem.

GITC is to be established as a company limited by guarantee under the Registrar of Companies (ROC) which would ensure better governance of the body and a seed fund of RM5 million from the Government.

GITC is to act as a coordinator and facilitator for inputs to be channeled to ministries/agencies and TVET providers and it completes the coordination between government and industry in the national TVET System.

The GITC Protem Meeting No.2 held on 6 April 2022 via Zoom was attended by Chairman of Education & SI Committee, Datuk Astaman Abdul Aziz with Secretariat Jocelyn Ng. The meeting was chaired by Tan Sri Dato' Soh Thian Lai, FMM President, Member of the MTVET and Chairman of the GITC Protem Committee.

Deputy Secretary General II cum Deputy Chairman of HRD Committee, Datuk Astaman has been nominated as Permanent Representative and Andrew Ong as the Alternate Representative to represent MBAM in in the GITC.

PEMUDAH Focus Group Technical Working Group on Human Capital (TWGHC) for Construction Industry Meeting

The Technical Working Group on Human Capital (TWGHC) under PEMUDAH consists of public and private sector representatives who are responsible for addressing issues related to human capital management in Malaysia as well as increase productivity growth and national competitiveness. TWGHC is under the supervision of PEMUDAH and is coordinated by the Malaysian Productivity Corporation (MPC).

Further to the TWGHC meeting held on 21 March 2022 at MPC, it was agreed that all industries to form their respective focus groups to discuss human capital issues and to come out with recommendations to address the issues.

TWGHC has formed the Focus Group on Construction Industry and a meeting was held with MBAM and RE-HDA on 12 April 2022 via Microsoft Teams where MBAM presented on Human Capital Issues in Construction Industry. MBAM Immediate Past President cum Chairman of HRD Committee, Foo Chek Lee with Deputy Chairmen, Datuk Astaman Abdul Aziz and Mazlan attended the meeting. The proposal was later presented in the TWGHC for Focus Groups on 20 April 2022 via online.





Feedback Session and Validations Of Findings on Strengthening of The Conditions For The Registration Of Contractors

The above meeting chaired by Manager of Specialist Division and Industry Consultation, Ts. Dr Haji Mohd Khairolden Hj Ghani was held on 12 April 2022 at Construction Research Institute of Malaysia (CREAM). MBAM General Manager, Lenny Lim attended the meeting.

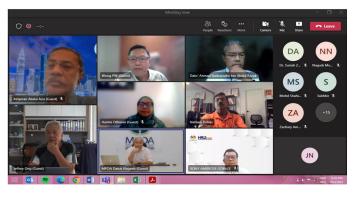
The meeting deliberated on a survey of 504 respondents from G1 to G7 out of 11,000 potential respondent. In the survey, 63.9% agreed to a micro contractor category while 36.1 % did not agree. The idea of micro contractors was inspired from its implementation in Hong Kong. The general idea was to have this new category and to group G1 to G3 current contractors to the small sized contractor category with a tender limit of RM2 million and a capital of RM60,000.00. It was also suggested to group G4 to G6 as medium sized contractor with a tender limit of up to RM20 million and a capital of RM600,000.00 while G7 category will be the big contractor category where there will be no tender limit but the capital required is RM1.5 million.

It was proposed to consider to have a micro contractor category to handle small jobs, with no tender limit and capital requirements proposed yet. However, it was also noted that there are issues in terms of funding and finance with smaller contractors, shortage of jobs for certain types of contracting works as compared to the number of contractors and not being registered with the various authorities. The duration of works is also short and may not justify another category.

CREAM will study the feedback given at the meeting and will advise on next date of meeting and findings.



Meeting on Technical Working Group on Human Capital (TWGHC) with Co-Chairs & Trade Association (FG1) & (FG2)



The above meeting was held on 20 April 2022 via online and attended by Secretary-General II cum Deputy Chairman of HRD Committee, Datuk Astaman Abdul Aziz with secretariat Chai Min Fung and Jocelyn Ng.

The objective of this meeting was to present human capital issues (Focus Group 1: Acquisition & Focus Group 2: Development) for four sectors selected to be presented during the TWGHC Meeting 1/2022 (held on 10 May 2022).

The four sectors mentioned are Construction, Aerospace, Plantation and Semiconductor. Each sector presented on the current issues faced and explored the opportunities to address the issues through development of human capital.

Official Launching Ceremony of the Tekla Authorised Training Centre (ATC) By Trimble Solutions Malaysia Sdn Bhd at Tunku Abdul Rahman University College (TAR UC)

MBAM Vice President, Kenneth Liew, as a member of industry panel of TAR UC attended the official launching ceremony of the Tekla Authorised Training Centre (ATC) by Trimble Solutions Malaysia Sdn Bhd at TAR UC's BIM Centre on 20 April 2022 at the Auditorium, Bangunan TTSS and BIM Centre, TAR UC Main Campus at Setapak, Kuala Lumpur.

Trimble has appointed TAR UC as their ATC in 2019. Since then, BIM courses has been incorporated into undergraduate programmes in the Faculty of Built Environment with joint efforts from two other industry partners, namely BIM Engineering Solution & Technology Sdn Bhd and BSI Services Malaysia Sdn Bhd. This year, external training to alumni and the industry practitioners will officially commence under the ATC.

Hence, this launching ceremony will mark the academia-industry collaboration to produce manpower with BIM knowledge and skills in line with the Construction 4.0 Strategic Plan (2021-2025) by Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB), Malaysia.

Other key events attended by MBAM

1 April

Majlis Pelancaran Employee Assistance Programme (EAP) by NIOSH was held at Dewan Rafflesia, Menara NIOSH Bandar Baru Bangi and was attended by MBAM Council Member, Michael Yap.

MOHE Focus Group (Quality) Meeting National TVET Council (MTVET) No.3/2022 with MTVET Secretariat was held via Webex and was attended by MBAM Education & SI Committee Member, Andrew Ong.

CIDB Webinar on Malaysian Standards in Construction Industry 2022 Sanitarywares: Standards Conformance and Requirement by Regulators was held via Zoom and was attended by MBAM Secretariat Michael Thong.

4 April

MOHE Focus Group Meeting National TVET Council No.1/2022 was held via Zoom and was attended by MBAM Council Member, Ong Ka Thiam, and MBAM HRD Committee Members, Chuan Yeong Ming and Andrew Ong

5 April

BOMBA Courtesy Visit and Dialogue Session to Discuss Newest Guideline on "Fire Rated Roller Shutter" was held at Jabatan Bomba dan Penyelamat Malaysia, Putrajaya and was attended by MBAM Council Member, Michael Yap, and MBAM Secretariat Michael Thong and Muhammad Fadzley.

MEF Meeting with Industry Organisations to Discuss on the RM1,500 National Minimum Wages as announced by YAB PM and Implementation of Multi-Tier Levy for Foreign Workers was held via MS Teams and was attended by MBAM Immediate Past President, Foo Chek Lee, MBAM Deputy Secretary-General II, Datuk Astaman Abdul Aziz, MBAM Human Resource Deputy Chairman, Mazlan Haron, and MBAM Executive Director, Loh Mei Ling.

7 April

Briefing session on financial and technical reporting procedures, monitoring, reporting and evaluation learning (MREL) for ILO Skills for Prosperity (SfP) Pilot Project by ILO to MBAM Project Team was held via MS Teams

8 April

Technical Committee TC/D/21 on Design of Concrete Structure Bil.1/2022 was held via Google Meet and was attended by MBAM Secretariat Michael Thong.

ILO SfP for Enhancement of a Sector Skills Body and Industry Led TVET Modalities in the Construction Sector- (Output 1.1.1) Project Secretariat Structure (PSS) Meeting was held at the MBAM Training Centre.

9 April

Ergonomic Awareness Training @ WCT in house was held at Pavilion Damansara and was attended by MBAM Secretariat Nur Fatin Najihah.

12 April

The MRT3 Industry Briefing by Mass RAPID Transit Corporation Sdn Bhd was held at Plenary Hall, Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre and was attended by MBAM President, Tan Sri Sufri Haji Mhd Zin, MBAM Deputy Secretary-General I, Ir Anthony Teoh Teik Hiam, MBAM Council Members, Png Choon Yam and Shafidz Iswandi Azhar and MBAM Secretariat staff Mohd Hanif Ismail.

JKR Engagement Programme on Implementation of Work Tender Procurement Using The Tender System (End To End) Online with the Contractors Association was held at JKR HQ Kuala Lumpur and was attended by MBAM Contracts and Practices Committee Members, Lee Chee Yian and MBAM General Manager, Lenny Lim.

12 to 13 April

Lifting Supervisor Training, 38th Intake was held at GPOS and was attended by MBAM Secretariat staff Nur Fatin Najihah.

13 April

WCT In House Training – On Basic rigging and slinging was held at Merdeka Mall and was attended by MBAM Secretariat staff Fadhira Aqilah.

14 April

Meeting: ILO SfP for Enhancement of a Sector Skills Body and Industry Led TVET Modalities in the Construction Sector (Output 1.1.1) TWG Meeting No.1 was held at MBAM Training Centre and was attended by MBAM Deputy Secretary-General II, Datuk Astaman Abdul Aziz, MBAM Immediate Past President, Foo Chek Lee, MBAM HRD Deputy Chairman, Mazlan Haron, MBAM HRD Committee Members, Chuan Yeong Ming, Andrew Ong, Chong Tshun Ming, Steven Shee, Pn Hasnah, MBAM Executive Director, Loh Mei Ling as well as MBAM Secretariat staff Lee Siew Mei, Chai Min Fung, Jocelyn Ng and Suet Yee.

Meeting with CIDB E-Construct on MyDigital Kontraktor was held at Tan Sri Datuk Tee Hock Seng Conference Room and was attended by MBAM Immediate Past President, Foo Chek Lee, MBAM Executive Directory, Loh Mei Ling as well as MBAM General Manager, Mr Michael Thong and Muhammad Fadzley.

15 April

ILO SFP MY Midterm Evaluation Interview MBAM was held via Zoom and was attended by MBAM Immediate Past President Foo Chek Lee, MBAM Executive Director Loh Mei Ling, as well as MBAM Secretariat staff Lee Siew Mei and Chai Min Fung.

20 April

ILO SfP for Enhancement of a Sector Skills Body and Industry Led TVET Modalities in the Construction Sector was held at Tan Sri Datuk Tee Hock Seng Conference Room and was attended by MBAM Immediate Past President Foo Chek Lee.

MATRADE Pitching Session for ETA Proposal was held at Menara MATRADE and was attended by MBAM Vice President Chung Soo Kiong, MBAM Executive Director Loh Mei Ling and MBAM Assistant General Manager Lee Siew Mei.

21 April

The High Commission of the Republic of Maldives in Malaysia -Iftar reception 2022 was held at JW Marriott Kuala Lumpur was and attended by MBAM President Tan Sri Sufri Haji Mhd Zin.

22 April

Mesyuarat Jawatankuasa Semakan Semula CIDB Form of Contract Bil 3 2021/2022 was held via Cisco Webex and was attended by MBAM Deputy President Oliver Wee.

MBAM Webinar on Durable Building System with UAC & Technoframe was held via Zoom and was attended by MBAM Council Members, Nalla Sundran and Lau Yew Mun.

BMDAM Members Dinner Gathering was held at Bandar Sunway and was attended by MBAM Council Member Fong Tet Yoong, MBAM Executive Director Loh Mei Ling as well as MBAM General Managers, Lenny Lim and Michael Thong.

23 April

Mesyuarat Agong Tahunan 2022 MMCOA (1987) was held at Wisma MMCOA (1987) and was attended by MBAM General Manager Lenny Lim.

The Embassy of the Republic Indonesia in KL: The CEO Gathering with the Ambassador Hermono was held at LaCrista Hotel, Malacca and was attended by MBAM President Tan Sri Sufri Haji Mhd Zin.

27 April

MBAM TWG with ILO Consultant from IPSOS was held at Tan Sri Datuk Tee Hock Seng Conference Room and was attended by MBAM Immediate Past President Foo Chek Lee, MBAM Deputy Secretary General II Datuk Astaman Abdul Aziz, MBAM HRD Committee Members Andrew Ong, Lee Chee Yian, Steven Shee, Hasnah Mohd Ali, Chong, Chong Tshun Ming, MBAM Executive Director Loh Mei Ling, MBAM Secretariat staff Lee Siew Mei, Chai Min Fung and Jocelyn Ng.

28 April

Webinar on Digital Transformation Journey was held via Zoom PEMUDAH Meeting No. 3/2022 was held via Zoom and was attended by MBAM President Tan Sri Sufri Haji Mhd Zin.

NCOSH Mesyuarat Majlis Negara Bagi Keselamatan Dan Kesihatan Pekerjaan (MNKKP) Bil. 01.2022 Dan Sambutan Sambutan Hari Sedunia Bagi Keselamatan Dan Kesihatan Di Tempat Kerja (World OSH Day) 2022 was held at The Zenith Hotel, Putrajaya and was attended by MBAM Council Member Michael Yap.

29 April

ACI Post AGM Dinner was held at Armada Hotel and was attended by MBAM General Manager, Michael Thong.