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NATIONAL URBAN FORUM, 5th & 6th October 2015



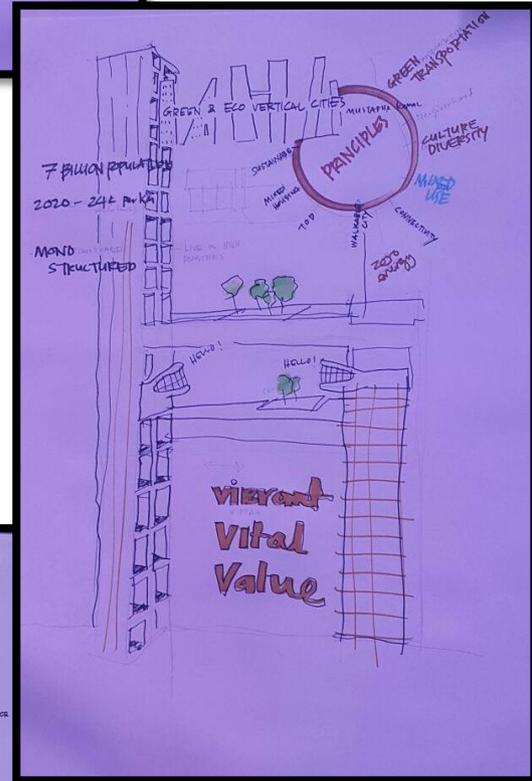
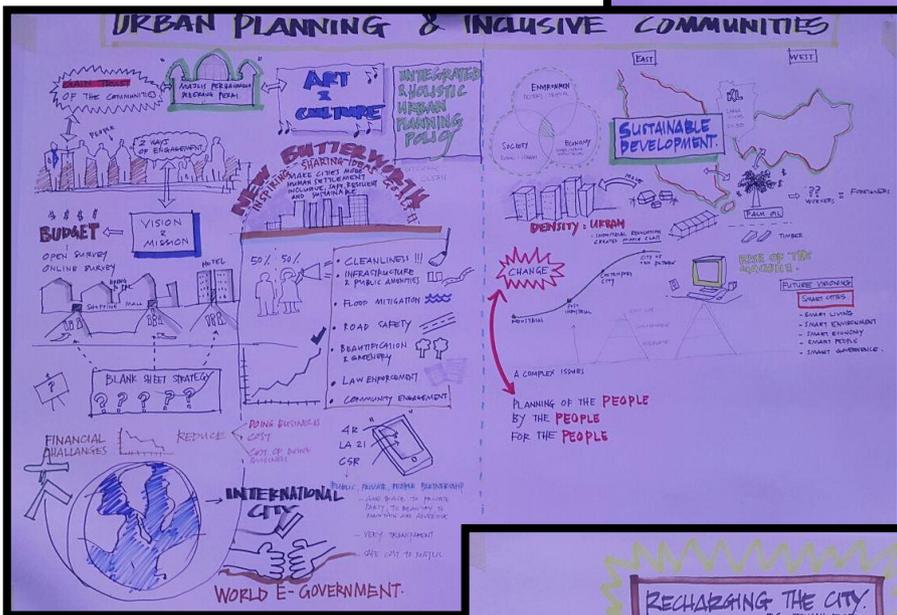
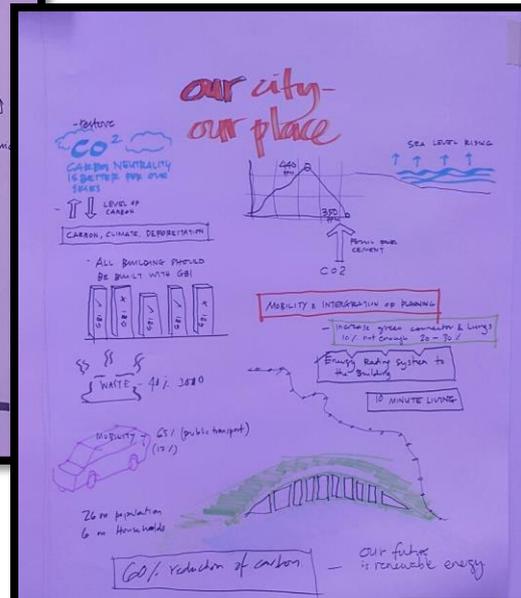
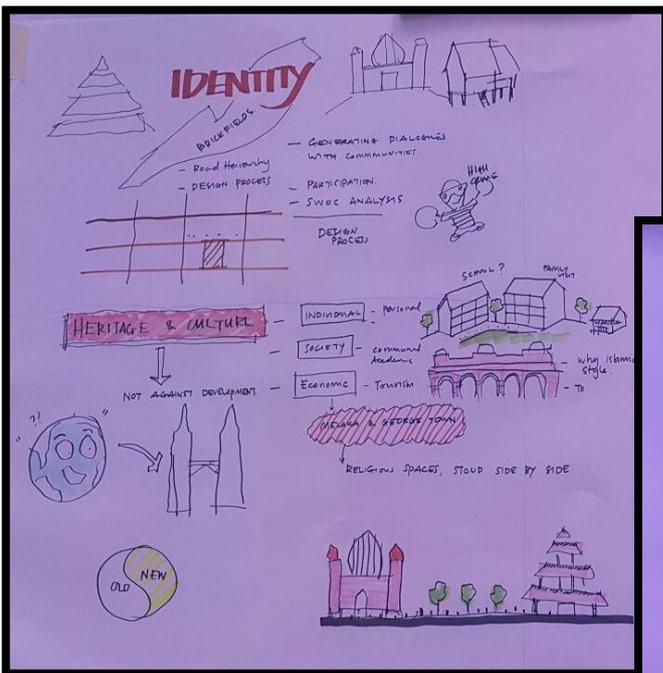
EAROPH International in collaboration with the Ministry of Urban Wellbeing, Housing and Local Government, Malaysia organised a National Urban Forum. The two day event, 5th & 6th October 2015 held in E-City @ One City Mall Subang Jaya in conjunction with World Habitat Day.

The theme of the forum is Sustainable Urban Futures and it shall be a platform to discuss on pressing issues and bring together innovative strategies on social, economic, cultural and environmental matters that can be adopted to overcome our urban challenges and contributing towards better urban resilience in the face of rapid urbanization and growth faced by our cities and nation

Dato' Ismail Ngah, Ir Gunasagaran and Sr Yee Ia Howe represented Balai Ikhtisas Malaysia to the above forum.



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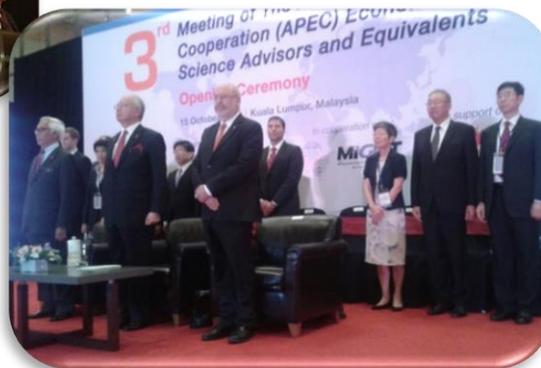
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THIRD MEETING OF APEC ECONOMIES' CHIEF SCIENCE ADVISORS AND EQUIVALENT, 15th & 16th OCTOBER 2015

Third Meeting of the APEC Economies' Chief Science Advisors and Equivalents (APEC CSAE), with the theme of Building Foundations for Scientific Advice towards Inclusive Economies and a Better World, convened from 15th to 16th October, 2015 at the Kuala Lumpur Hilton Hotel.



The two day event co-chaired by Prof Tan Sri Zakri Abdul Hamid, Science Advisor to the Prime Minister of Malaysia and Sir Peter Gluckman, Chief Science Advisor to the Prime Minister of New Zealand.



APEC CSAE 2015 is jointly organized by APEC and Malaysia through the Office of the Science Advisor in the Prime Minister's Department. This meeting focused on "Science Advice in Emergency situations in the Asia Pacific and Science and Indigenous



Epistemologies". APEC CSAE is a new Advisory Board which was created in 2012 to provide advice to the governments at the highest level on science issues for policy, knowledge-sharing, best practices, strategies and opportunities, in order to build strategic science and innovation relationships across the APEC region.

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ABOUT MEMBERS

PROF. DATO' ABD RADZAK ABD MALEK SPEAKS AT WORLD MARITIME DAY



Prof Dato Abd Radzak Abd Malek, International Vice President of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT) and President of CILT in Malaysia addressed delegates at World Maritime Day this week.

The event was held at Pearl Continental Hotel, Karachi, on Wednesday 30 September 2015.

Prof Malek discussed the impact of the maritime industry on global economic activity as 80% of global merchandise trade by volume is transported by sea (Prandeka and Zarkos, 2014).

“International shipping plays a vital role in connecting global trade and facilitates world trade as a cost-effective and energy-efficient mode of transport.”

He emphasized that maritime education is specific yet critical in providing skilled and competent human resources to the related industry.

Read Prof Dato Abd Radzak Abd Malek's presentation paper here:

[Maritime Education and Training: The Malaysia Experience](#) from [Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport \(International\)](#)

Also present was Capt. S.M. Ajmal Mahmoodi, Honorary Secretary of the Nautical Institute, the Institute of Chartered Ship Brokers and the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport in Pakistan who closed proceedings with an expression of gratitude and appreciation on behalf of the organising committee.



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**CONGRATULATIONS TO YBHG DATUK NANCY HO ON THE APPOINTMENT AS
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE**



YBhg Datuk Nancy Ho Ning Hsin

President of the Malaysian Pharmaceutical Society
On being appointed

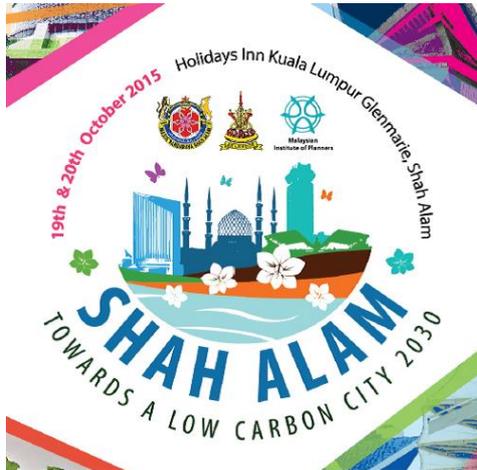
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**TYT Yang di-Pertua Negeri
Tun Datuk Seri Panglima Haji Juhar Bin Haji Mahiruddin**

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SHAH ALAM TOWARDS LOW CARBON CITY 2030 CONFERENCE

Date: 19 & 20 October 2015

Time: 8.00 am - 5.00 pm

Venue: Holiday Inn Kuala Lumpur Glenmarie, Shah Alam

SOIL FUN RUN '15 IN CONJUNCTION WITH INTERNATIONAL YEARS OF SOILS 2015

Malaysian Society of Soil Science (MSSS) and Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) supported by the Department of Agriculture (DoA) in conjunction with International Year of Soils 2015 will organize a “fun run” as one of the event to commemorate the year. The details of the event are as follows:

Date : 31 October 2015 (Saturday)

Time: 7.00 am

Venue : Bukit Ekspo, Faculty of Agriculture, UPM Serdang



CURRENT ISSUES

LIVING RIVER BARRIER SCHEME WINS PAM ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

The Edge, 8 September 2015

KUALA LUMPUR (Sept 8): A design that addresses the growing concern about rising river levels and that encourages hydroelectric power generation has won the PAM-Tan Sri Chan Sau Lai Architecture Award (TSCSLAA) 2015.

Wong Guan Xiong of the Architectural Association School of Architecture in the UK beat 92 other contestants to take home the award for his “The Living Thames Barrier” design scheme, winning RM25,000. The awards ceremony was held today in Kuala Lumpur.

Wong’s design consists of a bridge across the River Thames with residential and commercial components, that attempts to address concerns about rising river levels and generate hydroelectric energy for future London developments.

According to the award benefactor Tan Sri Chan Sau Lai, the winning entry is a visually dramatic structure and exciting architectural solution. Chan is an architect by profession and sits on the PAM Education Fund board of management and board of trustees, and is also executive chairman of Beneton Properties Group.



This year’s award saw four commendation prize winners: Samuel Lee Chee Zin (Sibu Waterfront Redevelopment), Wong Yow Han (Reviving Kampong Phluk on Tonle Sap Lake), Mohammad Farhan Fahmie bin Mohd Radzi (Architecture Pedagogy: Penang School of Architecture) and Chua Khee How (Bario Cultural Village: S-Long House). They won RM5,000 each.

There were four finalists: Chin Kah Meng (entry: Ananas Park), Chia Shook Qing (Orang Asli Community Centre in Gombak), Sia Hong Rui (Kayu Ara Organic Farming Learning Centre) and Lee Sim Chuan (Living Market). They won RM1,000 each.

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The jury members for the award comprised Chan; immediate past president of PAM, Chan Seong Aun; past president of PAM (2009-2011) and co-founder of the award Boon Che Wee; current PAM president Mohd Zulhemlee An who is also chairman of the education committee; Malaysian Institute of Interior Designers (MIID) council member and chairman of MIID Awards for Design Excellence 2015 Lim Pay Chye; president of Institute of Landscape Architect Malaysia Dr Osman Mohd Tahir and past president of PAM (2011-2013) Saifuddin bin Ahmad. Prizes were presented by Kuala Lumpur City Hall executive director for project implementation and building maintenance, Juminan bin Samad.

Inaugurated in 2012, the award aims to recognise outstanding achievements in design by PAM student members who have just completed their architecture course in the immediate preceding year, in Malaysia or abroad.

This year's competition attracted entries locally and from abroad, including the University of New South Wales, University of Sydney, University of Melbourne, University of Singapore, South China University of Technology, Taylor's University, University of Technology Mara, Universiti Teknologi Malaysia, University Putra Malaysia, Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman, Universiti Sains Malaysia and Universiti Malaya.

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INCLUDE PHARMACIST IN HEALTHCARE

The Star, 25 September 2015

TODAY is World Pharmacists Day and a good time to review and reflect on the changing role of pharmacists, particularly the community pharmacists.

Not too long ago, pharmacists were known as chemists, and pharmacies were referred to as chemists and druggists.

This was probably due to the strong emphasis on chemistry in the training of pharmacists, and a number of important discoveries by pharmacists such as oxygen by Scheel, morphine by Serturmer and quinine by Caventou and Pelletier.

Up till the first half of the 20th century, pharmacists also used to “make” or compound medicines in the pharmacy using plant extracts and tinctures and chemicals.

As the manufacturing of medicines began largely to be taken over by big pharmaceutical manufacturers who enjoyed economies of scale and the efficiency of modern technology, the role of pharmacists in making medicines themselves has reduced significantly.

It is not often that community pharmacists nowadays have to compound a medicine because most of them are now ready-made and even pre-filled in syringes and unit-dose containers. Interestingly, however, there is an emergence of a small number of pharmacies who exist just to compound medicines that are not available from large manufacturers.

This shift from the product has given community pharmacists more time to interact with their patients/ consumers. In a number of developed countries, the pharmacist is consistently voted among the top few most trusted professions.

The pharmacist, whose services are initially sought for health-related concerns, eventually becomes a confidant and a listening ear for their clients who would not need to endure a long wait or make an appointment.

The training of pharmacists has also evolved from a strictly chemistry and science-based curriculum to patient care, counselling, health promotion, responding to symptoms, monitoring and continuation of care.

Malaysians have a tendency to visit multiple healthcare professionals and are often prescribed medicines by more than one professional. Pharmacists now frequently review all the medicines taken by a patient and can advise if there is duplication, or on medicines that should not be taken together.

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This is especially useful for elderly patients with chronic illnesses who, on average, are reported to take about five medicines. In more developed countries, community pharmacists are providing new services.

In the United States, for example, community pharmacists provide immunisations. In England, community pharmacists can prescribe a significant range of medicines. In Australia, pharmacists are routinely asked to perform medication reviews and even home medication reviews.

In Malaysia, the community pharmacist is often not able to provide to the patient the full extent of their expertise largely due to the legacy of an outdated system that was put in place when there was limited number of pharmacists in the country, thus allowing other professionals to take up roles traditionally played by pharmacists.

This system has not undergone much change over the years despite the tremendous growth in the number of pharmacists in the country, and the services that they can provide to the community.

The Malaysian public is therefore deprived of the full services of a trained professional. However, in this time of rising costs, Malaysians should avail themselves of the services of community pharmacists in maintaining their health and in managing their illnesses.

P. T. THOMAS, PHD

Professor and Dean

Taylor's University School of Pharmacy

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PERSONALITY

DATO' IR. LIM CHOW HOCK, IEM PRESIDENT 2015/2016

YBhg. Dato' Ir. Lim Chow Hock is the President of The Institution of Engineers, Malaysia (IEM). He holds a B.Eng. (Hons) (Civil) from the University of Malaya and a post graduate Diploma in Water Resources Engineering from the University of Birmingham.

Prior to being elected as the President of the Institution, he served IEM in various capacities including as Deputy President, Vice President, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Finance, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Corporate Affairs, Deputy Chairman of the Standing Committee on Welfare and Service Matters and member of several other Standing Committees, Subcommittees and Technical Divisions. He had also served as the Chairman of the APEC/International PE Registers. He was the Chairman of the IEM Southern Branch from 1991 to 1993.



Since his graduation in 1978, YBhg. Dato' Ir. Lim Chow Hock had served in the Department of Irrigation and Drainage Malaysia (DID). He retired in June 2014 after serving for 36 years in the government. He has extensive experience in irrigation, agricultural drainage, flood mitigation, urban stormwater management, river engineering, dam engineering, coastal zone management, hydrology and water resources management. He had served in many states in different capacities throughout his career in JPS and at various levels such as district, project, state and headquarters. His role in JPS included overseeing all programmes and initiatives associated with Integrated River Basin Management (IRBM) and Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM); including major projects such as the River of Life Project, the Melaka River Beautification Project, the Pahang River Mouth Breakwaters and the Tok Jembal Beach Nourishment Project in Terengganu. He is also responsible for all water management capacity building in Malaysia especially in relation to Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM).

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He is currently, the Chairman of the Malaysian Capacity Development Network (MyCDNet), a board member of Cap-Net UNDP and Member of several other professional associations including the Malaysian Institute of Management (MIM), the Malaysian National Committee on Irrigation and Drainage, the Malaysian Hydrological Society and the International Association for Hydro-Environment Engineering and Research. He is also an Exco member of the Malaysian Water Partnership. He is a Certified Auditor with the Malaysia Register of Chartered Auditors (MRCA) and also a Certified Professional in Erosion and Sediment Control (CPESC). He has been appointed as a member in the Board of Engineers, Malaysia (BEM) and recently as a Commissioner for the National Water Services Commission (SPAN).

YBhg. Dato' Ir. Lim received the "*Pingat Sultan Ismail*" award from Johor in 2001. In 2008, he received the "*Dato' Paduka Setia Mahkota Kelantan*" (D.P.S.K.) which carries the title "Dato" from His Majesty Al-Sultan of Kelantan.

BIM MEMBER INSTITUTIONS

- Malaysian Pharmaceutical Society (MPS)
- Royal Institution of Surveyors Malaysia (RISM)
- The Institution of Engineers Malaysia (IEM)
- Pertubuhan Akitkek Malaysia (PAM)
- Malaysian Medical Association (MMA)
- Malaysian Dental Association (MDA)
- Malaysian Institute of Planners (MIP)
- Veterinary Association Malaysia (VAM)
- Malaysian Institute of Interior Designers (MIID)
- Malaysian Society of Soil Science (MSSS)
- Malaysian Association of Social Workers (MASW)
- The Plastics & Rubber Institute of Malaysia (PRIM)
- Agricultural Institute of Malaysia (AIM)
- Institut Rimbawan Malaysia (IRIM)
- The Chartered Institute of Building Malaysia (CIOBM)
- Institute of Landscape Architects Malaysia (ILAM)
- Institute of Internal Auditors Malaysia (IIAM)
- Institut Bahan Malaysia (ICMM)
- The Chartered Institute of Logistics And Transport Malaysia (CILTM)
- International Institution of Plantation Management (IIPM)

CORPORATE AFFILIATE

- Malaysian Association of Productivity (MAP)
- Malaysian Institute of Human Resource Management