

Opening Address



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Dear friends and colleagues,

The International Building Control Conference (IBCC) organized by Department of Building Surveying, Faculty of Built Environment and, Royal Institutions of Surveyors Malaysia (RISM), in collaboration University Kebangsaan Malaysia, Universiti Sains Malaysia and University Technology MARA along with its supported organizations is a biennial conference dedicated to promote the importance, significance and advancement of building control and compliance for construction industry. This conference is deliberately planned for various backgrounds in the Built Environment who are frequently involved in building construction activities. It offers an opportunity for awareness and enhancement of knowledge and to keeping-up with the latest know-how in the field.

This conference which was the third biennial conducted aim to enhance and leverage the effective design and control through knowledge and practice among academia, professionals and participants. The objectives of the programme are to provide a platform for the local practitioners to present the current situation on building control and performance as well as to educate and create an awareness on the latest development of act, regulations, guidelines and good practices.

In addition, it sought to provide needed information and skills in building control and performance practice and implementation. Empowering both professionals and citizens by encouraging engagement, cooperation and team work. Provide a platform to exchange information and opportunity to meet fellow expertises and professionals from other parts of the world to hear their issues first hand and to reflect on solutions and best practiced by others. Last but not least strengthening research collaboration between professional bodies, government agencies, international partners, industry players, other universities and the University of Malaya.

The Conference received 133 papers covering four main themes which are Building Control & Surveying, Building Design, Planning & Real Estate, Building Construction Management and Building Information Modelling (BIM). As an added value, the conference proceeding is indexed with Scopus through the Matec Web of Conference. Furthermore, the conference provide opportunities for all papers to be published in several ISI index journals, Scopus index journal as well as national refereed journals.

It is therefore with great pleasure that I, on behalf of the Organizing Committee, extend our warmest welcome as well as grateful thanks to all our guests, professionals, academicians, speakers, chairpersons, undergraduate, postgraduate and all participants attending this event.

This conference would not have been possible without the dedicated support, sacrifice and generous contributions from various parties, particularly our valued sponsors concerned who have, without fail, given us their regular dedicated support. As such, we would like to thank Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL), Malaysian Association of Registered Building Surveyors, Henry Butcher Malaysia (Mont Kiara) Sdn. Bhd. (HBM), Silcom Marketing & Services, Aras Saintifik Sdn. Bhd., Azamansaidin.blogspot.com, Thye Hong Technology (M) Sdn. Bhd., and Zaisains Instruments & Information Technologies for their generous sponsorship without which we would not have been able to facilitate this Conference at heavily subsidized and affordable cost to participate.

Lastly, it is hope that this Conference will act as a platform to establish contact academia and professional practice in this field either within or outside the country.

To all our eminent and distinguished speakers, presenters and session chairpersons who have come from near and far, please accept our appreciation and thanks for sharing your precious time, knowledge, experiences and wisdom at this Conference.

To those who are from outstation and overseas, we on behalf of the University Malaya, wish you an enjoyable stay in Kuala Lumpur.

Lastly, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Organizing Committee, the secretariats, the host University, University of Malaya as well as conference assistants for their support, dedication and logistics to make this event a great success.

Wishing all of you an enjoyable and fruitful event.

Thank you.