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Dear ACEM Members and Readers, I hope you and your family are safe and well.

Welcome to our fourth edition of our Suara Perunding (SP) 2021. As usual, thank you to our hard-working Publication Committee/ Secretariat for their efforts in publishing the SP quarterly to keep members informed

of our activities and provide information on matters of interest.

At ACEM, we are trying to use what we have learned and experienced through the pandemic to improve the way we work and enhance our communication with our members. As part of our efforts to keep ACEM Training and Education's activities going, despite the Movement Control Order (MCO) restriction, we have embarked on online webinar trainings. We are pleased to report that we have conducted 72 webinars for 6,000 participants generating BEM CPD of 160 hours for the year 2021.

Our online site supervision courses for the Inspector of Works have been successful with the completion of the C&S and Mechanical modules this year. The modules for Electrical and General for the site supervision course are being prepared for next year commencement.

Moving forward, we are planning to launch a series of courses for Engineers, who are working in Engineering Consultancy Practice to improve their work competency in year 2022. Further updates shall be available soon.

As part of our efforts to keep track of current issues, ACEM had conducted a survey among our members from 5th to 11th November 2021 regarding the starting salaries of Graduate Engineers. The objective of this survey is to understand the impact of the company size, employees' education level and salary progression methods in relation to the starting salaries of Graduate Engineers. ACEM has forwarded the findings of the survey to BEM so that the current Graduate salaries working in Consulting firms are made known. We shall be sharing the survey outcome in our website.

As mentioned previously, our website continues to be an important reference to the members to keep abreast with the current instructions enforced by various Government organisations, updates of meetings and discussion outcomes with Government agencies. We hope that members will keep updated through our website at www.acem.com.my.

Let us ensure that ACEM is always in the forefront of maintaining the interest of our members in the Engineering Consultancy business and industry.

Wishing everyone a happy and healthy New Year 2022. Merry Christmas for those celebrating this joyous festival and for the rest of us, Happy Holidays. Thank you and happy reading,

Ir. K. Sundraraj ACEM President.

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THACES-ACEM

The ACES-ACEM Dialogue was held on 20 November 2021. This year's dialogue was conducted via Zoom online meeting in a discussion and presentation format. The dialogue's Keynote address was presented and moderated by the ACEM President, Ir. K. Sundraraj. At the opening of the dialogue's, Ir. K. Sundraraj emphasize about the scenario and impact of COVID-19 pandemic towards the engineering industries in Malaysia. The dialogue's objective is to share the current technology of both country in engineering industry. The presenters for the dialogue were:

From ACEM

Ir. Sharifah Nor Azlina

- Route to Opening of ECP Shareholdings
- Ir. Romesh Srinivasan
- Gemas Johor Bahru Electrified Double Track Railway Project Design & Supervision

From ACES

Er Darren Woo

• Design for Manufacturing and Assembly (DfMA): MEP-PREFAB

Er. Yong Fen Leong

• Remote Supervision



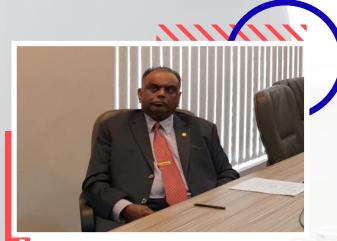
From left: Ir. K. Sundraraj, Ir. Ahmad Masyhur. Ir. Chong Chew Fan, Ir. Kuah Kee Hong & Ir. Romesh.



Group photo of ACES-ACEM Dialogue 2021



From left: Ir. Chong, Ir. Kuah & Ms Wong



Ir. K. Sundraraj



Ir. Chong Chew Fan



Ir. Romesh



Ir. Ahmad Masyhur



Ir. Kuah Kee Hong

Ir. Romesh is presenting his slides

ONLINE COURSE ON FUNDAMENTALS OF GEOSYNTHETICS ENGINEERING

The webinar was presented by Dr. KH Loke on 2nd, 9th and 16th November 2021. He has been involved in the research, manufacturing, consulting, design and teaching of geosynthetics for more than 25 years. He has conducted many courses on geosynthetics applications and technology to public and universities. He is also active in the development of Malaysia test standard for geosynthetics serving in working group, WG6 of Standard Malaysia.

A total of 32 participants attended the webinar. This course intended to provide engineers with basic grounding on geosynthetics and their applications. Engineers were taugh about the types of geosynthetics and their functions. The course focused on two keys applications, namely road constructions and reinforced soil structures using geogrids. The course highlight the latest development in geogrid technology and research findings. Engineers were taught on the design using current design methods and shown the value proposition of using geosynthetics in these structures.

Lastly, the course emphasized on the proper specifications to ensure performance of geosynthetics for the intended structure. Case references were presented to show the viability and workability of geosynthetics solutions.



Dr KH Loke is presenting his lecture.

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The webinar were presented by Ir. Wong See Foong, Mr. Jeffery Chong Seet Huang and moderated by Ir. Dr Jayaseelan. A total number of 159 participants were attended the webinar on that day.

Ir. Wong See Fong is chairing the Technical Committee under the National Standards Committee (M) of Jabatan Standard Malaysia, for the drafting of Malaysian standards for fire fighting systems and equipment.

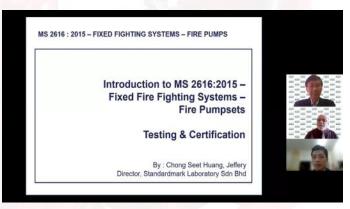
While Mr. Jeffery Chong Seet Huang, has collective ISO/IEC 17025 accredited laboratory service experience over more than 10 years in multiple analytical fields such as microbiology, chemistry & mechanical.

In addition, he is a certified ISO/IEC 17025 internal auditor by Institute Kimia Malaysia (IKM) and a registered food analyst with Ministry of Health Malaysia.

The focus of the webinar was to introduce the requirements for fire pumps to comply with MS



Ir. Wong See Foong is presenting his lecture.



(From top) Ir. Wong See Foong, Ir. Dr Jayaseelan and Mr Chong Seet Huang Jeffery.

2616. The process of obtaining certification of the fire pumps from a locally accredited testing laboratory was briefly described.



Webinar on Good Engineering Practices and Solutions to Deliver Expected Performance of Steels and Concrete in Civil Engineering Structures



Dr Abu Saleh is presenting his lecture.

Mr. Miki Pavlovic is presenting his lecture.

Two speakers, Dr Abu Saleh and Mr Miki Pavlovic, presented the webinar on 2 December 2021. Dr Abu Saleh Mohammod is an experienced civil engineer and expert in the building materials sector with a wealth of experience in Singapore, Southeast Asia, Europe and the Middle East. In contrast, Mr Miki Pavlovic has over 12 years of experience in fire protection for the mechanical industry, wholly spent in Asia.

A total of 22 participants attended the webinar. The webinar consisted of two sessions. The first session was on "Concrete – Managing Cracks on Slab-On-Grade " The second session was on Intumescent Fire Protection of Steel – Why, Where and How".

The first session emphasized an inherent issue with concrete: it shrinks as it ages, and that's when cracks will appear. This outcome was not desirable for any slab-on-grade application where the slab is subjected to continuous loading. Dr Abu Saleh, in his presentation, shared his exploration process of managing shrinkage and cracking of concrete slabs.

Next, Mr Miki Pavlovac looked into one of the methods of fire protection, intumescent paint systems, and their effectiveness to protect load-bearing members in structures from fires in various situations through the versatility of testing speed of application, sustainability and applicability to different environments. With the ever-increasing use of structural steel in construction and fire protection being crucial to the integrity of the building and its occupants' safety, fire protection methods are constantly evolving. Still, the requirements are getting more demanding due to frequent fires around the world.

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INSURANCE FAQ

1. What is the difference between jurisdiction and territorial limits?

These two terms are sometimes confused.

Territorial limit refers to the place where the act, error or omission occurs. Jurisdiction limit refers to the fact that the policy will only cover claims brought within the court system of the nominated countries.

2. Claims examples (non -exhaustive list) possibly covered under the PII are:

- Negligence arising from a Breach of Professional Duty due to an act, error or omission.
- Fraud and Dishonesty of staff.
- Libel, Slander or Defamation against a third party.
- Loss of client documentation.
- Legal liability for damages and claimants' costs/expenses arising from the act, error or omission/civil liability of the "Company's" employees.
- Wrongful or inadequate advice to client(s).
- Acting without proper instructions from the client.
- Failure to act in accordance with client's instructions or at all.
- Failure to advise client.



SABAH NEWS

Mesyuarat Semakan Deraf Undang-Undang Kecil Bangunan Seragam Sabah organised by MLGH Sabah

Date	: Still ongoing		
Venue	: ZOOM Online Meeting		
Organised by	: Ministry of Local Government		
0	and Housing Sabah		
Represented by : Ir. Razalie bin Sindong			
-F	Ir. Tan Koh Yon		
	Ir. Tsen Ying Fui,		
	S <i>i</i>		
	Ir. Lee Tet Fon		
	Ir. Sebastian Tiong		
	Ir. Amirul Hisham Ismail,		
	Ir. Chia Khuin Fung		
	Ir. Brandon S. Galimam		
	Ir. Yong Lip Bing.		

ACEM Sabah and IEM Sabah had actively involved and worked alongside MLGH Sabah on the draft of Undang-undang Kecil Bangunan Seragam Sabah 2021 (UBBL 2021). The draft is now finalised and ready to be submitted to TSUT of MLGH Sabah and AG.

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Courtesy Call to Construction Industrial Development Board (CIDB) Sabah



Date : 5th November 2021 Venue : Bangunan KoCIDB, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah. Organised by : ACEM Sabah Attended by : Ir. Razalie Sindong, Datuk Ir. Chin Shu Ying, Ir. Sebastian Tiong and Ir. Paul Yap Kok Wai.

The ACEM Sabah delegates led by its Branch Chairman, Ir. Razalie bin Sindong, and 3 exco / co-opted member made a courtesy call to director of CIDB Sabah, Tuan Rosmen bin Ag

Hassan.

Among the agendas raised during the courtesy call were as below;

- 1. Introduction of the new line up of ACEM Sabah Session 2021/2022.
- 2. Collaboration between ACEM Sabah and CIDB in organizing courses / trainings for Engineers.
- 3. Status of the transition of the MOF's E-perunding to KKR (CIDB).



- Date Venue Organised by Represented by
- : 11th November 2021
- : JKR Sabah Office
- : ACEM Sabah
- : Ir. Razalie Sindong,

Datuk Ir. Chin Shu Ying Ir. Benny Song and Ir. Amirul Hisham.

A courtesy call has been made to the director of JKR Sabah, Ybhg. Datuk Ir. Hj. Ali Ahmad bin Hamid. The courtesy call was led by the ACEM Sabah Branch Chairman, Ir. Razalie Sindong and was joined by representatives from IEM Sabah and Sabah Engineers Association (SEA). A joint Memorandum, signed by the threeengineering fraternity was handed over to the Director during the courtesy call. Among issues included in the memorandum are;

- 1. To prioritize local consultants for the state's projects.
- 2. Suitable Scale of Fees in state's projects.
- 3. Consultant's supervision scope in construction aspect.
- 4. Stipulation of consultant's project ceiling cost.
- 5. Setting up of the Board of Engineers Malaysia (BEM) branch in Sabah.

Fellowship Gathering Night 2021

Date	:	11th December 2021
Venue	:	Hilton Hotel, Kota Kinabalu
Organised by	:	ACEM Sabah - Sabah Engineers As
Attended by	:	Committee Members and Co-opted

ACEM Sabah together with SEA and IEM Sabah have come together to organise a Fellowship Gathering Night 2021 held in the Hilton Hotel, Kota Kinabalu on 11th December 2021. This casual event was attended by 36 members from the three associations. Apart from a dinner and networking, each association was also taking the advantage to present their committees and coopted members with gifts to honour and appreciate their contributions throughout the sessions.

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STRATEGIC PARTNER BEM HYBRID MINI CONVENTION 2021

Integrity in the Engineering Profession



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Date	16th & 17th November 2021
Venue	Virtual Live Platform (Online) /
	Magellan Sutera Harbour Resort, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah (Physical)
Organised by	Board of Engineers Malaysia (BEM)
Attended by	Open to professional / registered person

ACEM Sabah was invited by BEM to be their strategic partner in organising the BEM Hybrid Mini Convention with the theme of 'Integrity in The Engineering Profession'. The event was successfully conducted on 16th and 17th November 2021. The aims of the convention are as follows:

- 1. Engagement and disseminate information to Registered Person.
- 2. Registration process of engineers, technologist and technicians.
- 3. Promote Engineering profession and networking.
- 4. Showcase engineering education, program accreditation and engineering career.

A slot for paper presentation in the webinar parallel session has been allocated for ACEM Sabah. With the title of 'Integrity of Engineering Consultancy', Ir. Wong Keng Chew was selected as the speaker from ACEM Sabah. ACEM Sabah and IEM Sabah were also participated as one of the exhibitors in the virtual platform.

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SARAWAK NEWS

Webinar Talk on "Pipe-jacking through the erratic geology of Kuching, Sarawak: Challenges, solutions, and a deep learning future"

On contrary to the restriction of SOP Covid-19, the Branch organized Webinar Talk on "Pipe-jacking through the erratic geology of Kuching, Sarawak: Challenges, solutions, and a deep learning future" which was held on 25th October 2021. The speaker of the talk was Dr. Choo Chung Siung from Swinburne University of Technology (Sarawak). About thirty-one (31) participants attended the webinar talk.

Induction Course for New Mechanical & Electrical Engineers 2021

The ACEM (Sarawak Branch) organized six (6) days on Fridays and Saturdays only for 2 hours Webinar Induction Course for new mechanical & electrical engineers 2021 which began on 30th October 2021, 12th November 2021, 13th November 2021, 19th November 2021, 26th November 2021 and 27th November 2021. About thirty -two (32) participants attended the webinar Induction Course.

Webinar Talk on "Taking Steps Towards IR 4.0"

The ACEM (Sarawak Branch) organized a webinar talk on "Taking Steps Towards IR 4.0" on 15th November 2021. The speaker of the talk was Dr. Hudy Siswoyo Jo from Swinburne University of Technology (Sarawak). About thirteen (13) participants attended the talk.



Webinar Talk on "Hydrogen Economy"

The ACEM (Sarawak Branch) organized a webinar talk on "Hydrogen Economy" on 13th December 2021. The speaker of the talk was Assoc. Prof. Dr. Jaka Sunarso from Swinburne University of Technology (Sarawak). About twelve (12) participants attended the talk.



New Members (October - December 2021)

Individuals

<u>October 2021</u>

Name Ir. Koo Pui Pui @ Jenny Koo

November 2021

Name Ir. Dayang Noriza bt Awang Abdul Wahid

December 2021

Name Dato' Ir. K. Tha<mark>narajah A/L</mark> Kanagaratnam Ir. Haslina bint<mark>i Abu Has</mark>him

Panel Member Firms

October 2021

Name Senie Asasbina Date 12 October 2021

Date 16 November 2021

Date 01 December 2021

13 December 2021

Date 20 October 2021 Cessation of Membership (October - December 2021)

Date

Date

6 October 2021

22 October 2021

16 November 2021

19 November 2021

19 November 2021

19 November 2021

Individuals

<u>October 2021</u>

Name Dato' Dr. Ir. Abu Hashim b. Abd Ghani Ir. Lee Chau Kuang

November 2021

Name Ir. Chua Eng Thye Ir. Harry Tan Kian Huat Ir. Mohd Rousdin b. Hassan Ir. Loo Ai Choo

December 2021

Name Date Ir. Khoo Choong Keow 01 December 2021 Ir. Mohd Izzat Salo b. Abdullah 01 December 2021 Ir. Mustafa b. Hj. Omar 01 December 2021 Ir. Ooi Chin Keong 01 December 2021 Dato' Seri Raja Jamil Ariffin b. Raja 01 December 2021 Idris Shah Ir. Sahrul Junaini b. Yusup 01 December 2021 Ir. Wan Maliki b. Wan Muhammad 01 December 2021 Ir. Dr. Wan Zahran b. Zakaria 01 December 2021 Ir. Zulkifli A. Kahar 01 December 2021 Ir. Kalaichelvan a/l Arumugam 01 December 2021 Ir. Sinasamy Subramaniam 13 December 2021

Panel Member Firms

December 2021

Name RJA Consultant Sdn Bhd Date 1 December 2021





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