

EVENTS

PAM EVENTS**FEBRUARY**

20 – 21 February 2009

Accreditation Training Courseby Architect Centre
Johor Bahru

26 February 2009

PAM Membership Golf 2009

Venue to be confirmed

27 February 2009

PAM Members Night

Venue to be confirmed

OTHER EVENTS**FEBRUARY**

18 February 2009

**Trends and Property Market
Outlook & Opportunities 2009**

by REHDA Institute

8.00am - 5.00pm - Boulevard Hotel, KL

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1-4 March 2009

Green Cities 2009 Conferenceby Green Building Council Australia
Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre,
Brisbane

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(Early Bird Registration closes

16 January 2009)

COMPETITIONS & AWARDS

31 March 2009 (deadline)

**UNESCO Asia-Pacific Heritage
Awards for Culture Heritage
Conservation 2009**

(Call for entries)

by UNESCO, Bangkok

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OCTOBER 2008

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The 13th ARCASIA Congress of Architects

“Boundary and Beyond: Architecture by Transdisciplinary Recharge”

27 October 08 - 1 November 08 • Nurimaru APEC
House/Westin Chosun, Busan, Korea.

ARCASIA VIP attendants at the ribbon cutting ceremony

The 13th ARCASIA Congress of Architects with the theme “Boundary and Beyond: Architecture by Transdisciplinary Recharge” was hosted by the Korean Institute of Registered Architects (KIRA) from 27 October to 1 November 2008 in Busan, a beautiful resort city on the Peninsular of Korea. PAM’s delegation was represented by the President Ar Lee Chor Wah, Deputy President Ar Boon Chee Wee, Vice President Ar Hamdan Abdul Jamal, and Past Presidents Ar Tan Pei Ing and Ar Dr Tan Loke Mun.

The ARCASIA Awards ceremony was hosted by the Mayor of Busan. One of our members, Ar Mike Boon won the Conservation Award for his restoration of Kuching Court House Project.

Mooted by ASA (the Association of Siam Architects), a meeting was held among ASA, SIA and PAM on closer collaboration among the 3 countries. Areas of possible collaborations were Professional Practice, Exhibition and Convention, CPD Programme and Education. The 3 institutions agreed to have future meetings to address such mutual cooperation.

The next ARCASIA meeting, Forum 15 would be hosted by the Union of Mongolian Architects from 17 – 22 August 2009 in Ulaan Baatar, Mongolia.

PEF sponsored 5 students for the Students Jamboree where they had the chance to meet students from 17 other countries. The students were challenged to contemplate on what is “ASIASCAPE”, and what is the future of Architecture in Asia and the roles of Asian Architects in the globalised world.

QLASSIC

Quality Assessment System In Construction

QLASSIC is a method to measure the quality of workmanship of a construction work based on the approved standards. QLASSIC enables the quality of workmanship between construction projects to be objectively compared. QLASSIC assessment is performed by qualified and independent assessors, through site inspection. The quality of workmanship of a construction work is assessed according to the requirement of the relevant standard and marks are awarded if the workmanship complies with the standard. These marks are then summed up to calculate the QLASSIC Score (%) for a construction project. Construction works that are rectified after an assessment will not be re-assessed. Assessment samples are determined prior to carrying out the assessment.

Construction Industry Standard (CIS 7:2006 – Quality Assessment System for Building Construction Work) specifies requirements on quality of workmanship and assessment procedures for building construction work. The requirements in CIS 7 are divided into four main components:

1. Structural Work
2. Architectural Work
3. Mechanical and Electrical Work (M&E) Work
4. External Work

CIS 7 also specifies the sampling guideline and the weightage allocated for each component according to the category of building.



Checking squareness of internal wall



Checking fall of floor in wet areas



Checking hollowness of internal wall



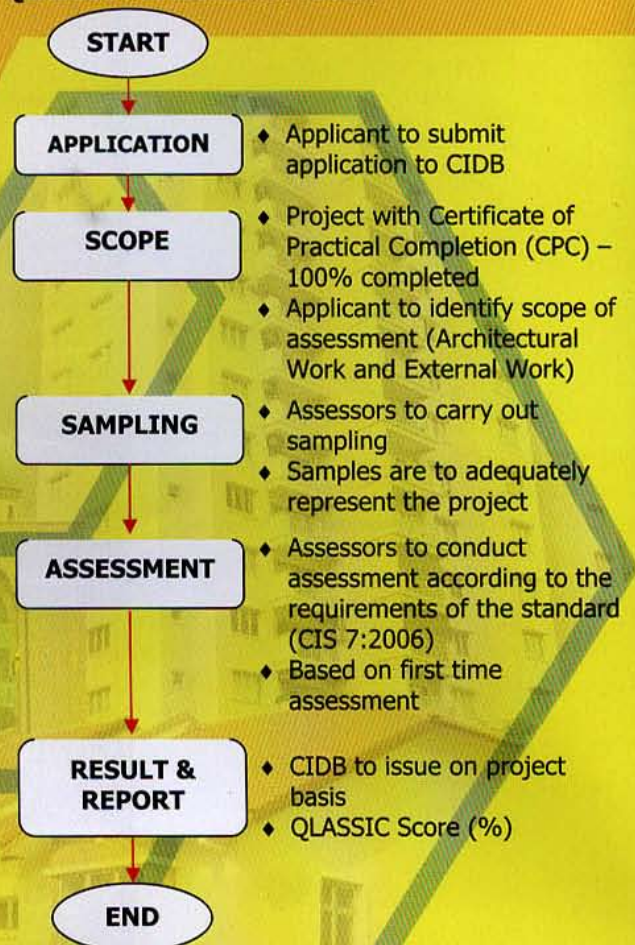
Checking hollowness of tiled floor

- No charges for assessment and processing fee for the time being.
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DO THINGS RIGHT THE FIRST TIME AND EVERY TIME

ARCASIA Council of Architectural Education (ACAE) Meeting

28 & 29 October 08 • Nurimaru APEC House/Westin Chosun, Busan, Korea.

The current Chairman of ACAE, Ar Divya Kush (IIA), reiterated the need to expand the Timeline Book project to stage 2, to include more details of the buildings featured, so as to enable the book to be adopted as a textbook on Asian Architectural Heritage textbook.

The value for such a book is to understand the rich Asian architectural roots, instead of relying on the West.

MOU on Cross Border Training and Education has already been drafted and should be signed by participating countries to facilitate this as soon as possible.

Asian School of Architecture: This idea has been floating for a while and the meeting decided it to be dropped. However there were suggestions to reactivate it after 3rd year level, for 1 semester between two participating countries.

OTHER PROJECTS Malaysia suggested a collation of all data from Country report into a useful matrix and summary to see the patterns in architectural education. Thailand volunteered during the meeting and handed out some summary details.

The pursuit of M. Arch is not prevalent in other countries. In reply to a question from Malaysia, Ms Louise Cox, the current UIA Chairperson, who also sits on Australia's AACA (Architectural Accreditation Council of Australia), had also voiced some reservations on the nomenclature change from B. Arch to M. Arch in some Australian universities, and the changes to their curriculum.

NEW ACAE CHAIRMAN At the end of the meeting, the meeting voted unanimously to nominate Professor Jae Uk Chong of KIRA to be the new ACAE chairman. Later ARCASIA council ratified the decision for Chairman. Other posts as assistants and deputy are at

the discretion of the Chairman / committee.

ARCASIA STUDENT JAMBOREE KIRA had prepared a wonderfully structured programme for the student participants. Each country was limited to 5 students although some countries sent more.

Students stayed at the Arpina youth hostels, but most of the studio works were done at Puk Young University. They were divided into 10 groups with different nationalities, headed by very experienced tutors and practising architects, who also acted as translators. Each unit would have 5 Korean architectural students.

The students were given 2 days to deliberate and present their interpretation of 'ASIASCAPE' - what is the essence of being Asian, the values that shape our environment and architectural design.

10 different groups had presented 10 different versions, some seek commonality through colors and festivities, family values, intimacy and privacy (or lack of it), multi-purposeness of spaces, infusion and interpretation of landscaping into architecture. Another common trait among the 17 ARCASIA member countries is: they all eat rice as the staple food.

The proceedings from the jamboree will be documented and compiled into a book by KIRA.

All 5 Malaysian students sponsored by PAM will be producing a presentation during the Friendship Night, a summary article to AM 20.6, a public lecture presentation to architects and students in January 2009, and a report to be submitted to PAM Resource Centre.

*Report by Ar Hj Hamdan Abdul Jamal
Co-Chairman, PAM Education Committee*



Prominent representatives from Arcasia member countries in photo session



PAM Past President Ar Tan Pei Ing, sitting second from left in the second row at the Arcasia in Busan, Korea



The flag of Arcasia Conference



Dato' Seri Ong Ka Ting delivering speech at the 13th Arcasia



PAM Vice President Ar Hamdan Abdul Jamal (sitting first from left) at the Arcasia Student Jamboree



13th Arcasia photo session. Among them are PAM Deputy President Ar Boon Chee Wee (fourth from left) and Vice President Ar Hamdan Abdul Jamal (second from left). Standing in the middle are PAM Past Presidents Ar Dr Tan Loke Mun and Ar Tan Pei Ing

ARCHITECT CENTRE ACCREDITATION TRAINING COURSE

Inspection Boot Camp

Following the growing demand for property inspection services from the public and Property Developers, Architect Centre held Accreditation Training Courses in Kuala Lumpur (5-6 August 2008) and Penang (13-14 August 2008).

Architect Centre is collaborating with the Professional Services Development Corporation (PSDC), an agency under the Ministry of Works, Malaysia and wholly owned by the Ministry of Finance Incorporated to provide this Training Course in conjunction with PSDC's aims to develop Malaysian professional service providers for international competitiveness.

80% of the approved programme cost is subsidised by Small Medium Industry Development Corporation (SMIDEC) in the form of a matching grant, and the rest (20%) is borne by the participants.

KUALA LUMPUR (5-6 August 2008)

The President of PSDC, Ir. Ahmad Asri, launched the collaborative programme with an inspiring speech to increase skills and availability of Malaysian professionals ready for export market.

15 architects were accredited after going through 2 days of inspection boot-camp. Trainers Ar Anthony Lee Tee and Ar Lim Peng Keang shared their rich experiences having done several inspections and Architects Advice.



Participants at the seminar



Inspection site at Damansara



Participants using approved ladder to gain ceiling access.



Ar Cheryly Ngiam, Ar Rosli Mohd Ali, Ar Patrick Ho conducting external façade inspection

PENANG (13-14 August 2008)

The Northern Chapter architects were put into two contrasting challenges – a 100 year old completely dilapidated pre-war house and a high-end condominium near the coast.



How to conserve this heritage building



Spot the defect! Checks for aluminium sliding door track



Architects having a visual overview of the building before inspection



Architects inspecting based on a 300 point checklist

Below is the feedback from one of the participants in the Architect Centre's Accreditation Training Course

Personally, I found the whole experience refreshing. I am enthusiastic about brushing up on my skills and adopting a more systematic approach towards the inspection aspect of an architect's responsibilities. Many remarks and observations made by the trainers during the workshop were so on target.

I have no qualms about the issue of commenting on another architect's work. What is important is how we phrase our remarks in a manner that is seen as objective. I noticed how Anthony and PK were careful not to rubbish any comments made by any of us. If we adopt a similar spirit in carrying out our job as inspectors there is LESS risk of making other architects hostile towards us.

During our training sessions, we held a session on self marketing where we advised the architects getting accreditation to promote our inspections to their own clients and developers which will benefit a multitude of stakeholders in the industry, regardless of who engages the Architect Centre.

Architect Centre is developing a 'Blue Ribbon Certification for Developers' who are keen to engage us as a third party inspector to resolve some of the perennial issues such as contractor's workmanship, cost of defects rectifications during Defects Liability Period, and legal risks.

The inspection is aimed at checking for defects and rectifying them properly for final quality finish prior to handing over to the purchasers.

While using Architect Centre's inspection report as a mechanism to improve their products, the Blue Ribbon Certification would be an effective marketing tool to highlight their commitment to quality products. Especially in the current tough competitive climate, delivering the promise to the increasingly sophisticated customers would edge out responsible developers from the rest. Several progressive developers are already in talks with us.

Ar Au Tai Yeow from Penang who is one of the pioneer accredited architects promoted this idea to his client of his own housing scheme project in Simpang Ampat, who could easily see the opportunity to enhance his products plus for many other benefits: improving his Clerk-of-Work's knowledge on final finishes through a third party quality check, quality validation and branding. "It will help sell my units faster and raise our

market profile", said the Client.

According to Ar Au, the Developer agreed to a third party independent inspection after not being satisfied with the quality standard produced after putting in so much of efforts internally to ensure quality workmanship. Several factors affecting the good intention such as lack of knowledge, internal politics and inexperience resulted only in frustrations and costs.

"We hope that more architects could join the training – not necessarily to become a building inspector – but to gain hands-on experience in detailing work that could help avoid certain problems at construction stage. Contrary to what the fraternity believes, that this training is for retired architects or architects with lack of jobs, this training is especially useful for those who are currently administering construction work", reiterates the centre's General Manager, Ar Haji Hussein Hamzah.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank PSDC and SMIDEC for offering this training grant to Architect Centre and the participants. We also look forward to their continuing support.

by Ar Zuraimi Harun

JOINT HEAD OF SCHOOL Faculty of Architecture & Built Environment Limkokwing University of Creative Technology (LUCT)



Professor Dato' Ar. W. Y. Chin
D.S.P.N.

P. Arch; B. Arch.(Syd); M. T.C.P.(Syd); A. C.I. Arb.(Lond); F.R.A.I.A; F.M.I.P; A.R.I.B.A; M.R.T.P.I; M.R.A.P.I; A.P.A.M.

By invitation of Limkokwing University of Creative Technology (LUCT), Professor Dato' Ar W. Y. Chin, had recently been appointed as Joint Head of School or Dean of the Faculty of Architecture & the Built Environment at Cyberjaya.

LUCT is presently providing a twinning-programme in architecture, in collaboration with Curtin University of Technology, Australia. The faculty offers seven undergraduate courses of study, at diploma and degree levels, in architecture,

interior architecture, interior design, urban planning, construction management, facility management, and landscape architecture.

Professor Chin is an architect, town planner and arbitrator by profession. He graduated with the degrees for the Bachelor of Architecture in 1964 and Master of Town and Country Planning in 1966 from the University of Sydney, where he also attained a Prize Award recipient from its Urban Research Centre. He has been the President of the Sydney University Graduates of Malaysia Alumni (SUGMA)

As an associate of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, London, Professor Chin is additionally a practitioner arbitrator, locally and overseas, linked with PAM and the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration (KLRC). He had conducted to date 64 arbitration cases to his credit and had published 44 papers.

He had worked as architect-planner with the Urban Renewal Department, Singapore, followed in same capacity with the Malaysian Ministry of Housing and Local Government. Later, he was made a director of Eric Taylor Associates in Kuala Lumpur,

before setting up his own professional practice in 1971 till this very day.

Academically, Professor Chin had lectured at LUCT and Tong-Ji University in Shanghai, China. He was relatively active professionally having served in many technical and ad hoc committees, including in DBKL and MBPJ as well as being chairman and assessor for several major architectural competitions.

He was the president of the Malaysian Institute of Architects (PAM), a member of the Board of Architects, Malaysia (LAM), and a Founding Fellow of the Malaysian Institute of Planners (MIP). He was also an examiner of the PAM/LAM Part 3 Professional Practice examinations; an examiner of the LAM Board of Architectural Education and a Panel Examiner of the Commonwealth Association of Architects (CAA).

In sports, Professor Chin is currently the vice-president of the Olympic Council of Malaysia (OCM); he had held various high offices in local, national, regional, international and world sport bodies and authorities, covering an extensive period of over more than two decades.

Executive Summary of The Minutes of the Third Meeting of PAM Council 2008-2009

24 October 08 • PAM Centre, Kuala Lumpur

PAM, MIP and ACEM would inform the Ministry of Housing & Local Government (MHLG) that the Working Group agreed to the proposed **Official List of submitting person for categories A, C, D and E**. For category B, PAM would reiterate the legal position of the architects' right to submit for master planning.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee had circulated the **draft adjudication rules** to a few arbitrators for comments. A meeting with the Contract Review Committee to discuss the adjudication rules would be arranged.

The PAM **Online Resource Centre** would go on trial with effect from 1 November 2008 for 1 month.

Heritage and Conservation Committee would table at the next Council meeting the proposal for **the re-planning of PAM Centre**.

There had been public request for architects to sell **the soft copy of drawings**. PAM was of the position that it would be up to the individual architect's business decision whether to sell it or not.

Council approved the list of applications for PAM Membership as follows:

Corporate Membership Amran Md Hashim, Azaidy Abdullah, Chan Mun Inn, Fairuz Hanapiah, Mohd Shuhaibul Muslimin, Mohd Yusdi Yusof, Nik Fazlysham Nik Mat, Wong Seow Ping
Graduate Membership Lee Yueh Nan, Teh Siew Choo, Wan Abdullah Wan Ali
Associate Graduate Membership Poon Tse Wan, Poon Tse Yew
Student Membership Ahmad Farid Ahmad Fathi, Aisan Kianmehr, Khairul Anuar Nor Ahmad, Mohammad Yazdi Zadeh, Nor Hazwani Hembali, Norsyazril Abdul Karim @ Mat Piah
Reinstatements Muhammad Taib Harun, Nik Fazlysham Nik Mat, Norashidah Abdul Wahab

Northern Chapter reported that the new Penang government had reinforced the **CAT policy**, where the state invited public comments on new developments. Northern Chapter is reviewing **MICE** to provide feedback to the state government. Penang Government received complaints on the **delay in delivery of CCC** for factories in the Free Trade Zone. The Chapter would organise to get feedback from Northern Chapter Members on the matter.

An **Accreditation Training Course for Property Inspection** was held in Kota Kinabalu from 20 - 21 October 2008. Of the 23 Corporate members who registered, 19 were accredited.

Sabah Chapter organised a Study Tour to Beijing, China from 7 - 12 November 2008.

The Seminar on **PAM Form of Contract 2006** was held in Kuching, Sarawak on 11 October 2008 and attended by 76 participants.

Sarawak Chapter was invited by the **Conservation Sub-Committee of Land Custody and Development Authority (LCDA)** to be represented in a task force to look at the developments in the historical areas in Kuching. It also hosted the Inter-Professional Committee Meeting. Discussions include: Ministry of Education (MOE) aborted projects; building submission check list; representation in LCDA; and delay in signing of MOA in Government projects

The Government and Community Liaison Committee would organise courtesy visits to more local authorities for this term.

The Heritage and Conservation Committee proposed to offer a grant to schools of architecture to do measured drawings. The first project was to do a measured drawing of the PAM Annexed Building.

The proposed theme for the forthcoming issues of **AM** are as follows: December - January (**Education**); February - March (**Heritage**); April - May (**Sustainability**).

The Secretariat and Finance Committee was organising an event for **PAM Council to meet with Media** to be held on 28 November 2008.

MITI proposed for **BIM to be the umbrella body** for logistics and services sector. PAM was the only organization which objected to it but the motion was carried due to the majority agreement.



Council meeting in progress

Other Highlights

11 October 2008

Green Malaysia

Speaker Ir Chen Thiam Leong & Ir Gurmit Singh

PAM Centre, KL



Ir Chen Thiam Leong



Ir Gurmit Singh

18 October 2008

Recent Development In Construction Law

Speaker Mr Teng Kam Wah

PAM Centre, KL



Mr Teng Kam Wah

21 October 2008

Planning Submission Meeting with PAM Members

PAM Centre, KL



Meeting in progress

22 October 2008

Design Lecture Series

Out of Professional Practice

Speaker Patama Roonrakwit

Universiti Malaya, KL



Patama Roonrakwit



Ar David Chan and Patama Roonrakwit

25 October 2008

Energy Efficient Architecture

Speaker Ar Chan Seong Aun

PAM Centre, KL



Ar Chan Seong Aun



Representative from BlueScope Steel

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