HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT

Membership Renewal Notice and Annual Subscription 2010

In accordance with Bylaws Section 4.2 and 4.3, the annual subscription rates for 2010 is due from 1 January 2010. Members in different grades please note the payment as below:

FELLOW	RM 220.00
MEMBER	RM 130.00
GRADUATE, who on the 1 January 2010	
- has attained the age of 30	RM 130.00
- has not attained the age of 30	RM 85.00
AFFILIATE	RM 130.00
INCORPORATED MEMBER, who on the 1 January 2010	
- has attained the age of 30	RM 130.00
- has not attained the age of 30	RM 85.00
STUDENT, who on the 1 January 2010	
- has attained the age of 30	RM 130.00
- has attained the age of 24	RM 85.00
- has attained the age of 24 and are bona fide	
- students of institutions of higher learning	RM 20.00
- has not attained the age of 24	RM 20.00
ASSOCIATE MEMBER, who on the 1 January 2010	
- has attained the age of 30	RM 130.00
- has not attained the age of 30	RM 85.00

**Members are reminded to pay your subscription on time*

Renovation of Secretariat

Secretariat has been renovated to allow staff to provide a better service. The IEM Secretariat is now divided into 3 sections:

1) 2nd Floor – Payment, Admission, Membership, Examination, Professional Interview, Log Book, CPD
2) 1st Floor – Administration, Activities, Welfare and Service Matter, International Affairs, Corporate Affairs, Professional Practice and Publications
3) Basement – Library, Building Maintenance

Members please take note.

Registration of IEM Crest and Name - Branding of IEM

IEM is applying to MyiPO to register the abbreviation "IEM" and the registration of the crest with the word "The Institution of Engineers, Malaysia" as the IEM patented mark.

Services Sector Capacity Development Fund

The Steering Committee held monthly meeting on 3 November 2009 and submitted a progress report to MIDA. MIDA report reflected that 80% of the participants have obtained satisfactory grading from the evaluation exercise conducted after each session.

The work done by the two Task Forces are reported below :

1) Task Force on IT

The Committee is selecting the vendor for the IT upgrading work at the Secretariat. IEM is now looking into employing a Project Manager in view of the nature of the project and the need to have someone monitor at every point and provide input. IEM is also looking into possibility to assist some of the Branches to get necessary equipment for video conferencing purposes.

2) Task Force on Outreach Programme

This task Force is organising various training courses throughout the countries and at the branches. So far 2 training sessions were organised in Kuala Lumpur/PJ and Penang. 83 members have attended the training and outreach programme conducted.

CIPAA

IEM had indicated its dissatisfaction over the non-inclusion of IEM's comments into the Bill currently prepared by CIDB. Three letters of protest have been sent to them so far to indicate our stand and our views on the Act.

Proposed Development of Sarawak International Engineering Centre in Kota Samarahan, Sarawak

A 6 acres piece of land was given by the State government to set up International Engineering Centre in 2002. There was also a pledge given previously that the State Government would give a dollar–to–dollar grant towards the building of the Centre. It was noted that the project was initiated in 2002 at the 2nd WEC of which 1 acre of land was confirmed at the Sarawak Annual Dinner. The model prepared for the Centre included an IEM Sarawak Branch office, club house for members of

IEM and a training centre. The branch agreed to place more emphasis on the building of the training centre so as to obtain more funding from the State Government. The IEM Sarawak Branch has been requested to present a business proposal paper to be presented to Council.

Purchased of Building of IEM Perak Branch

IEM has purchased a new building for the IEM Perak Branch. A loan of RM200,00 was taken with Public Bank Berhad

Amendment to IEM Constitution

IEM members were once again reminded that IEM Corporate Members who are Professional Engineers, the abbreviation of "Ir." is to be used.

For graduate engineers and Corporate Members of IEM who are not Professional Engineers registered under the Registration of Engineers Act are to use the abbreviation "Engr" before their names.

Pasukan Petugas Khas Pemudah Cara Perniagaan (PEMUDAH)

IEM is considering setting up a Section to work with PEMUDAH so that IEM is able to present the issues from engineers to facilitate business by addressing bureaucracy in government.

Allocation of CPD Hours

Members to note that CPD hour would be allocated based on actual contact hours for courses/seminars etc. Currently CPD hours were allocated on a “per day” basis where 8 CPD hours would be allocated for each day of the activity.

IEM will be writing to BEM to inform that the current method of allocating CPD hours was based on the approval given by BEM previously. Nevertheless in view of the new decision by BEM, the CPD hours will now be based on contact hours, which IEM will be implementing immediately.

IEM Building Fund

The IEM Fund Raising Committee is appealing to members to donate to the IEM Building Fund.

Naming of Rooms at Wisma IEM

Rooms will be named after the individual or company who are willing to donate to the Building Fund.

ADVERTISING SPACE AT WISMA IEM

Advertisement space is available at Wisma IEM for the interested company to place their advertisement or to display their product.

IEM-DIRECT ACCESS CO-BRAND CREDIT CARD (MASTERCARD)

IEM is renegotiating with Direct Access for better benefits to its members and also looking to other affinity arrangement for its members.

IEM FAMILY DAY 2010

IEM Family Day for 2010 had been scheduled on 18 July 2010. Members and their family members are all invited.

STAFF TEAM BUILDING

IEM Secretariat staff had been given a one day off for staff Team Building on 29 December 2009 at IEM. IEM is therefore closed on this date.

STAFF LONG SERVICE AWARD

Excomm also noted that the following staff would be due to receive their long service award in 2010:

Janet Lim Kwai Cheng	DCAO	10 years
Sarita Kaur	Senior Executive	10 years
Norimah bt Md Hashim	Assistant Executive	10 years
Nurul Aida bt Mustafa	Acting Executive	10 years
Jamaliah bt Zainudin	Executive	25 years
Tirimurugan a/l Odayan	Assistant Executive	25 years

APPROVED AMENDMENT TO BYLAWS

In view of ROS’ approval of the amendment to Bylaws Section 3.26 with regard to reinstatements, Secretariat would be issuing an email to all members who were in arrears to inform them that they can reinstate their membership by paying the annual subscriptions for the previous and current year.

IEM-SIR STUDENT SECTION

An IEM-UNITEN SIR Student Section is being set up at University Tenaga Nasional.

JOINT MEMORANDUM OF APPEAL ON NOT TO REINSTATE THE REAL PROPERTY GAIN TAX (RPGT)

The Associated Chinese Chambers of Commerce and Industry of Malaysia (ACCCIM) had invited IEM to be a stakeholder in the Joint Memorandum of Appeal. As a stakeholder IEM would then be one of the signatories to the Memorandum to be sent to the Government on the above subject.

To All Members, Date: 14 December 2009

CANDIDATES APPROVED TO SIT FOR PROFESSIONAL INTERVIEW FOR YEAR 2009

In accordance with Bylaws 3.7, the undermentioned names are published as having applied for membership of the Institution, subject to passing the year 2009 Professional Interview.

If any Corporate Member of the Institution has any reason as to why any of the candidates is not a fit and proper person for election, he should communicate in writing to the Honorary Secretary. Such communication should be lodged ***a month*** from the date of publication.

Thank you.

Ir. Assoc. Prof. Dr Jeffrey Chiang Choong Luin, MIEM, P.Eng.
Honorary Secretary,
The Institution of Engineers, Malaysia

NEW APPLICANTS

Name	Qualifications
CHEMICAL ENGINEERING	
ARMAN BIN ABDULLAH	BE HONS (UTM) (CHEMICAL-GAS, 00)
CIVIL ENGINEERING	
AB HAMID BIN AB RAHMAN	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 00)
ABD MURAD BIN ABU BAKAR	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 00)
HARZAH MASNI BINTI RAMLI	BE HONS (USM) (CIVIL, 04)
KAM JANN KEONG	BSc (UNI OF KENTUCKY) (CIVIL, 98)
LAW KIM HUI, SIMON	BE HONS (UNI OF NOTTINGHAM, UK) (CIVIL, 00)
MARZUKI BIN MUSTAPHA	BE HONS (UKM) (CIVIL, 01)
MOHD ARIFFUDDIN BIN KAMARI	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 01)
MOHD SALEH BIN LOB	BSc (OHIO STATE UNI COLUMBUS) (CIVIL, 87)
NOR SAZLINA BT ISMAIL	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 97)
NORAINAH BTE MOHD DIN	BE HONS (UiTM) (CIVIL, 00)
RAMLI BIN WEL	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 01)
SAFUANDZI BIN ABDULLAH	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 00)
SAIFULAZREEN BIN MAHYAN	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 06)
SHAMSUDDIN ABD RAHMAN	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 98)
ZULKIFLI BIN ISHAK	BSc (UNI OF ARIZONA) (CIVIL, 90)

NEW APPLICANTS

Name	Qualifications
COMPUTER ENGINEERING	
HAIRULNIZAM BIN SAMURI	BE HONS (UTM) (COMPUTER, 00)
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING	
AHMAD BARODI BIN CHE NOH	BE (HONS) (UTM) (ELECT - CONTROL & INSTRUMENTN, 97)
ZAHIRUDDIN BIN ZAHIDANISHAH	BE HONS (UPM) (ELECT & E'TRONIC, 00)
MOHAMAD ASRI BIN SHARANI	BE HONS (UTM) (ELECT INSTRUMENTN & CONTROL, 97)
MOHD SAIPOL BIN HJ BOHARI	BSc (UNI OF EVANSVILLE) (ELECT, 97)
MATERIALS ENGINEERING	
ZURAIDA AHMAD	BE HONS (USM) (MATERIALS, 92)
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING	
BURHANUD-DIN BIN ISHAK	BE HONS (UTM) (MECH, 03)
CHOW WOON CHEK	PART 2 (EC) (MECHANICAL, 85)
MUHAMAD NAZRAIN BIN MUHAMAD NASSRI	BE HONS (UNITEN) (MECH, 03)
MUHAMMAD SUHAIMI BIN MD ALI	BE HONS (UKM) (MECH, 91)
SOH CHENG SIM, ERIC	BE HONS (UNI OF SUNDERLAND) (MECH, 94)
TAN CHEW PENG	BE HONS (POLYTECH OF CENTRAL LONDON, CNAA) (MECH, 91)
TOH FONG CHAI	BE HONS (UTM) (MECH, 02)
ZULKEFLI BIN MAT SAIN	BE HONS (USM) (MECH, 01)

TRANSFER APPLICANTS

M'ship No	Name	Qualifications
CHEMICAL ENGINEERING		
23840	EOW JOHN SON, DR	BE HONS (UNI SURREY) (CHEM, 98)
19875	PANG KEE SIANG	BE HONS (UPM) (CHEMICAL, 01)
CIVIL ENGINEERING		
16365	ABDUL RAZAK BIN KAMARUDIN	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 98)
21834	BEK PAN CHIN	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 03)
36315	FAIRUL AZRIE BIN YAACOB	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 00)
25424	HAFIZ FADILLAH BIN ALHADI	BE HONS (UNIMAS) (CIVIL, 04)
29194	HANIF BIN LATIF	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 05)
29654	HUZAIDIN BIN BORHAN	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 00)
26777	KAMARUL ANUAR BIN MOHAMAD KAMAR	BE HONS (MALAYA) (CIVIL, 04)
22335	KOK SIAK WAH	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 01)
05781	KONG AH VOON	BSc HONS (UNI OF SALFORD, UK) (CIVIL, 81)
25575	LEO KIM SENG	PART 2 (EC) (CIVIL, 04)
25100	LIEW PIK LEE	BE HONS (UPM) (CIVIL, 02)
17150	LOH WOEI CHUNG	BE HONS (UKM) (CIVIL & STRUCTURE, 95)
37221	LOH YEE ENG	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 00)
21605	LOO CHANG SOON	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 05)
07383	MOHD HISHAM BIN MOHD YASSIN	BSc HONS (NOTTINGHAM) (CIVIL, 83)
24859	NG BOON CHONG	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 03)
16666	ONG TZE LIP, EUGENE	BE (MONASH) (CIVIL, 95)
22099	PAU TING TIMG	BE HONS (CANTERBURY) (CIVIL, 00)
19715	SHAMSUDIN BIN MOHD AZIZ	ADV DIP (UiTM) (CIVIL, 94)

TRANSFER APPLICANTS

M'ship No	Name	Qualifications
25510	TAN KIAN GUAN	BE HONS (UMS) (CIVIL, 04)
21786	TAN SJE TING	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 05)
22323	TEE CHEE JONG	BE HONS (UTM) (CIVIL, 01)
32635	WEE LIANG MING	BE HONS (USM) (CIVIL, 00)
39963	WONG SIEW YEE	BE HONS (UTP) (CIVIL, 04)
COMPUTER & COMMUNICATION		
22350	R. TIAHGU A/L RAMAN	BE HONS (UPM) (COMPUTER & COMM., 99)
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING		
21869	ASNAWI BIN MOHD BUSRAH	BE HONS (UNITEN) (ELECTRICAL POWER, 02)
25594	LEE CHOUN MUN	BE HONS (MMU) (ELECT, 2002)
24040	LEE WAI LING	BE (HONS) (UMS) (ELECT & E'TRONIC, 04)
29237	SHAHRANDIN BIN ASLI	BE HONS (UTP) (ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC, 2006)
33773	SITI JAMILAH BINTI ALIAS	BE HONS (BATH) (ELECT & APPLIED E'TRONICS, 97)
ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING		
34377	CHONG KOK HEN	BE HONS (UPM) (ELECT, 00)
25864	KOH SIAW PAW	BE HONS (UPM) (ELECT & E'TRONIC, 00)
37283	NOORHAFIZE BIN NOORDIN	BE HONS (UTM) (ELECT - MECHATRONICS, 00)
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING		
37905	SYAIFUDDIN BIN ISMAIL	BE HONS (UKM) (MECHANICAL, 02)

LATEST UPDATE!

CONTRIBUTION TO IEM BUILDING FUND

RM1,255,545.20 from IEM Members
RM340,502.00 from Private Organisations

TOTAL

RM1,596,047.20

(ANOTHER RM10,553,952.80 IS NEEDED)

IEM wishes to take this opportunity to thank all members who have contributed and would like to appeal for support from members who have not yet contributed

HELP US TO PROVIDE BETTER SERVICES TO YOU AND TO THE FUTURE GENERATION

DONATION LIST TO THE NEW IEM BUILDING FUND

21st Announcement

The Institution would like to thank all contributors for donating towards the new IEM Building Fund. Members and readers who wish to donate can do so by fill-up the form printed at page 5 or by downloading the form from IEM website at http://www.iem.org.my or contact the IEM Secretariat at +603-79684001/2 for more information. The list of the contributors as at 30 November 2009 are shown as below.

NO.	MEMBERSHIP NO.	DETAILS
1	M02820	TAN LEK LEK
2	-	CT Consultants Sdn Bhd

RECOGNITION/BENEFITS LIST FOR DONATIONS OR LOAN TO IEM BUILDING FUND

1. LOAN

Members may give out loans to IEM in the following denominations:

	Loan Amount	Entitlement
(i)	RM1,000 – RM2,000	Talk voucher worth RM100. Discount vouchers worth RM50. Valid for five (5) years.
(ii)	RM2,001 – RM5,000	Talk voucher worth RM200. Discount vouchers worth RM100. Valid for five (5) years
(iii)	Above RM5,000	Talk voucher worth RM200. Discount vouchers worth RM200 to attend IEM courses/seminars.

From year 6 onwards, IEM can begin to repay members' loan and withdraw the privileges accorded but maintain the recognition awarded.

2. DONATIONS FROM MEMBERS

	Donation Amount	Recognition
(i)	RM1,000 – RM2,000	Talk voucher worth RM100. Discount vouchers worth RM50. Valid for five (5) years. 12pt sized. Engraving on the Donation Board.
(ii)	RM2,001 – RM5,000	Talk voucher worth RM100 and Discount vouchers worth RM100 to attend IEM courses seminars. Valid for five (5) years. 14pt sized Engraving on the Donation Board.
(iii)	RM5,001 – RM10,000	Talk voucher worth RM200 and Discount vouchers worth RM200 to attend IEM courses/seminars. Valid for five (5) years. 16pt sized Engraving on the Donation Board. Naming of one Division of Secretariat office.
(iv)	RM10,001 – RM20,000	Talk voucher worth RM200 and Discount vouchers worth RM200 to attend IEM courses/seminars. Valid for five (5) years. 18pt sized Engraving on the Donation Board. Naming of small Meeting room.
(v)	RM20,001 – RM50,000	Talk voucher worth RM200 and Discount vouchers worth RM200 to attend IEM courses/seminars. Valid for five (5) years. 18pt sized Engraving on the Donation Board. Naming of medium sized Meeting room.
(vi)	RM50,001 – RM100,000	Talk voucher worth RM200 and Discount vouchers worth RM200 to attend IEM courses/seminars. Valid for five (5) years. 18pt sized Engraving on the Donation Board. Naming of large sized Meeting room.
(vii)	RM100,001 – RM150,000	Talk voucher worth RM200 and Discount vouchers worth RM200 to attend IEM courses/seminars. Valid for five (5) years. 18pt sized Engraving on the Donation Board. Naming of Resource Centre/Library.
(viii)	RM150,001 – RM200,000	Talk voucher worth RM200 and Discount vouchers worth RM200 to attend IEM courses/seminars. Valid for five (5) years. 18pt sized Engraving on the Donation Board. Naming of Conference Room.
(ix)	RM200,001 – RM300,000	Talk voucher worth RM200 and Discount vouchers worth RM200 to attend IEM courses/seminars. Valid for five (5) years. 18pt sized Engraving on the Donation Board. Naming of Auditorium 1.
(x)	RM300,001 – RM500,000	Talk voucher worth RM200 and Discount vouchers worth RM200 to attend IEM courses/seminars. Valid for five (5) years. 18pt sized Engraving on the Donation Board. Naming of Auditorium 2.

(IEM is still looking into applying for Tax Exemption status for the IEM Building Fund)

DONATION/LOAN REPLY FORM

Chairman
IEM Fund Raising Committee (Building Fund)
The Institution of Engineers, Malaysia, P.O. Box 223, (Jalan Sultan), 46720 Petaling Jaya, Selangor Darul Ehsan

Date: _____/_____/2009

Dear Sir,

IEM BUILDING FUND

☐ LOAN ☐ DONATION (Please indicate ✓ where applicable)

☐ Enclosed herewith a Cheque/Bank Draft/Money Order/Postal Order* No.....
for RM..... for the abovementioned made payable to **'IEM Building Fund'** Account.

☐ Please charge to my credit card the amount of RM ..... for the abovementioned.

Card: ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard Expiry Date: M M / Y Y

Card Number: ☐☐☐☐ / ☐☐☐☐ / ☐☐☐☐ / ☐☐☐☐

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Contact No.: _____

Email: _____

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Signature

IEM JOBS AD

A Job Vacancy Advertisement Programme

Looking for Engineers?

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ONLY MINIMUM OF RM50 PER JOB ADVERTISED FOR IEM MEMBERS AND RM100 FOR NON-MEMBERS

Please be informed that IEM provides job vacancy advertisement through the IEM Website and Notice Board to its members and non-members who are looking for engineers on a full time/contract or on part-time basis to fill job vacancies in their respective companies. The 'Job Vacancy Advertisement Form' and 'Its Terms and Conditions' are available at the IEM website, www.iem.org.my or you may contact Pn. Rozana, the IEM Secretariat at 03-7968 4001/4002 or email to rozana@iem.org.my for more details.

Job seekers can search for their desired employment in the IEM Website under 'Job Gallery' section for the latest job vacancy advertisements.

Thank you and best regards,

Chairman
Standing Committee on Welfare and Service Matters
The Institution of Engineers, Malaysia

IEM TRAINING CENTRE SDN BHD (127273-K)

(Wholly owned subsidiary of The Institution of Engineers, Malaysia)

No 33-1A (1st Floor), Jalan 52/18, P.O. Box 224 (Jalan Sultan P.O.), 46720 Petaling Jaya, Selangor Darul Ehsan. Tel: 603 7958 6851 Fax: 603 7958 2851
Email: choy@iemtc.com Website: http://www.iem.org.my/www.iemtc.com

Dear Members,

IEM Training Centre has put in place a plan to establish itself as a one-stop centre for your insurance needs and we look forward to your support to realise this plan. The response to our motor insurance started off poorly, however, there is an upward trend in the number of members supporting us, the most likely reason being their policy has yet to expire.

For more details relating to the following products, you can view them via the IEM Website>Training Centre and Insurance

FIRE INSURANCE OFFICE PACKS

This is a very special package policy especially for Consulting Engineers because it comprise seven classes of insurance under a single policy at a very competitive premium. This package policy covers many unlikely events if anything unfortunate happens in your office. Take the following as an example and check your existing policy for the coverage and premium.

Description of coverage	Amount Insured	Premium (RM)
Fire on building, renovation, contents (excl. office equipment)	RM500,000	420.00
Burglary	RM75,000	-
Money in Premises, Transit	RM7,500 for each	-
Plate Glass	RM7,500	-
Fidelity Guarantee	RM10,000	-
Office Equipment All Risk incl. laptops, notebooks	RM75,000	-
Public Liability	RM500,000	-
All the Classes of Insurance	-	RM450.00
TOTAL PREMIUM PAYABLE:	**-**	**RM870.00**

(Note: Additional perils, higher sum insured, etc, are possible with additional premium via endorsement subject to insurer's acceptance.)

MOTOR INSURANCE

Our motor insurance provides minor roadside repair and free tolling to the workshop of your choice, if your existing policy does not have the facilities, you may want to switch over to IEM. You never know when your car will breakdown on you and it is not a nice feeling when you have nobody to call upon to assist. Do not take such a risk, insist on a motor policy that provides you with minor roadside repair and free tolling.

PERSONAL ACCIDENT INSURANCE

There are a number of plans to select which matches your budget. If you wish to purchase on a Group Basis, you can always contact our Insurance Office at the Training Centre.

OVERSEAS TRAVEL PERSONAL ACCIDENT

Apart from personal accidents while travelling overseas, one of the main concerns is the medical expense. Medical expenses can be very expensive especially for foreigners. One of the key features of this product, which is not commonly available, is the SOS service. The SOS service will be provided if, in the event that you are in a remote area and fallen ill, and there are no medical facilities available to treat your particular illness, you can contact SOS and be transferred to the nearest medical centre with such facilities. This is a very important coverage if you visit remote historical sites.

PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY INSURANCE (PII)

If you already have a PII, you may wish to call IEM Training Centre Sdn Bhd so that you can get a comparative quotation. If you need more explanation you can also contact IEM Training Centre. A presentation can be arranged without any obligations, but we remain hopeful that you would support IEM Training Centre.

Visit the IEM website and select the Training Centre and Insurance tab to get all the details. Please provide us with feedback so that we can serve you better.

IEM DIARY OF EVENTS

For further enquiries on the events below, please visit IEM Homepage at http://www.iem.org.my or contact IEM Secretariat for further information and forms.

Electrical Engineering Technical Division
23 JANUARY 2010
Half-Day Lecture on "Energy Efficiency (EE) & Renewable Energy (RE) in Buildings and Building Integrated Photovoltaic (BiPV)"
Venue: Prof. Chin Fung Kee Auditorium, Wisma IEM, Petaling Jaya
Time: 9.00 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.
Fees: IEM YES Member – RM20
IEM Corporate Member – RM50
Non Member – RM80
(Invitation to register)

Tunnelling and Underground Space
23 JANUARY 2010
Talk on Design and Construction of the Tropicana Vehicular Box Tunnel using Pipe Roofing Method
Venue: TUS Lecture room, 2nd Floor, Wisma IEM, Petaling Jaya, Selangor
Time: 9.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.
Speaker: Ir. Anuar bin Mohd. Aris / Ir. Liang Kee Ming
(Invitation to register)

Manufacturing Engineering Technical Division
2 FEBRUARY 2010
Technical Visit to TBR Plant, Continental Sime Tyre
Venue: Petaling Jaya
Time: 9.00 a.m. to 1.00 pm.
(Limited to 30 participants)

Oil, Gas and Mining Technical Division
9-10 FEBRUARY 2010
Two-day Course on Maintenance Management: An Overview
Speaker: Ir. Al-khairi bin Mohd. Daud
Time: 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.
Registration Fees: RM 1,000 – IEM/ILSAS Member
RM 1,200.00 – Non IEM Member
(Limited to 30 participants)

MAJOR EVENTS
1-3 MARCH 2011
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION ON TUNELLING AND TRENCHLESS TECHNOLOGY
Venue: Sheraton Subang Hotel and Towers
Tel: 603 7968 4001/2
Fax: 603 7957 7678
E-mail: Tunnel2011@iem.org.my
Website: http://www.iem.org.my
(Invitation to register)

CONFERENCES & SEMINARS

MALAYSIA
15-17 MARCH 2010
ROTATING EQUIPMENT INTEGRITY AND MAINTENANCE
Venue: Prince Hotel and Residence, KL
Tel: 603 2723 6600
Fax: 603 2723 6733
E-mail: samanthaq@marcusevanskl.com
Website: www.marcusevans.com
(Invitation to Register)

5-7 APRIL 2010
CHARTING THE WAY FORWARD
Venue: KL Hilton, KL
Tel: 603 7880 6839
Fax: 603 7880 3067
E-mail: piece2010@urban-forum.com
Website: www.piece2010.com
(Invitation to Register)

10-13 MAY 2010
10TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON INFORMATION SCIENCES, SIGNAL PROCESSING AND APPLICATION
Venue: Renaissance Hotel, KL
Tel: +607 521 8170/8159
E-mail: isspa2010@spaceutm.edu.my
Website: www.spaceutm.edu.my
(Call for Papers and Invitation to Register)

KOREA
28-30 APRIL 2010
CONSMA 2010-THE 4TH CM SEOUL FORUM AND GLOBAL CM CONTEST
Venue: ConsMa
Tel: + 822 585 4712 4
Fax: + 822 585 2689

ARGENTINA
17-20 OCTOBER 2010
ENGINEERING 2010-ARGENTINA: TECHNOLOGY, INNOVATION AND PRODUCTION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
Venue: World Engineering Congress Exhibition, Buenos Aires
Tel: (+54 11) 4810 0408
Fax: (+54 11) 4810 0409
Email: coordination@ingenieria2010.com.ar
Website: www.ingenieria2010.com.ar
(Invitation to Register)

NEW IEM MEMBERSHIP CARD

Effective from 1 January 2008, IEM has introduced a new IEM membership card for all Members. The new card had been designed to include bar code features as provision for future expansion. It is hoped that this new card would assist IEM to provide better and more efficient service to the Members.

Members who have not collected the card can submit a "scanned" passport sized photograph (softcopy) in JPEG format and e-mail to iemphoto@gmail.com. Kindly indicate your name, membership number and grade upon submission.

You may also contact the IEM Secretariat at 603-79684001/2 for an appointment for your photo to be taken.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Chinese Institute of Engineers (CIE) and The Institution of Engineers, Malaysia (IEM) Joint Seminar on Geotechnical Engineering, 26-27 August 2009, Yi-Lan County, Taiwan

by **Ir. Chow Chee Meng,** MIEM, P. Eng.

THE CIE-IEM Joint Seminar on Geotechnical Engineering was successfully held from 26 to 27 August 2009 in Yi-Lan County, Taiwan and the seminar provided a useful avenue for the exchange of knowledge and experience between civil engineers of both countries. A total of five (5) papers from IEM were presented:

a) Sustainability in Ground Improvement for Developments in Malaysia from 1978 to 2008 (Presented by Ir. Kenny Yee)
b) Pile Foundation Design and Construction Practice in Malaysia (Presented by Ir. Tan Yean Chin)
c) Slope Engineering Design and Construction Practice in Malaysia (Presented by Ir. Dr Gue See Sew)
d) Role of Geotechnical Engineer in Civil Engineering Works in Malaysia (Presented by Ir. Liew Shaw Shong)
e) Geotechnical Engineering in Malaysia from a Young Consultant's Perspective: New Demands, Expectations and Challenges Ahead (Presented by Ir. Chow Chee Meng)

A total of seven (7) papers from Taiwan and one (1) paper from Japan were presented:

a) Ecological Approaches for Landslide Correction in Taiwan (Nelson Chou)
b) Current Deep Excavation Practice in Taiwan (Hsii-Sheng Hsieh)
c) Effects of Foundation Construction on Adjacent Ground and Structures (Woo Siu Mun)
d) New Challenges in Geotechnique for Ground Hazards due to Intensely Strong Earthquake Shaking (Prof. Kenji Ishihara)
e) Simplified Methods for Assessing Liquefaction Potential and Effect using CPTU (Prof. Charng, Hsein Juang)
f) The Review and Perspective of Hsuehshan Tunnel Project (Der-Jen Tseng)
g) The Experience and Prospect of Shield Tunnel Technology in Taiwan (Cheng-Hsun Chen)
h) Numerical Modelling in Soft Soil Engineering (Hsiao-Chou Chao)

Various interesting and challenging case histories were presented in the seminar such as the advantages and limitations of using ecological approaches for landslide correction in Taiwan in light of increased public awareness on "green" features, Hsuehshan Tunnel Project which has taken more than 10 years to complete due to adverse geological features, the use of buttress diaphragm wall for deep excavation in Taiwan and earthquake engineering in relations to retaining wall design and liquefaction assessment.

The joint seminar was a success as it had fostered closer ties between geotechnical engineers of Malaysia and Taiwan for future exchange of knowledge and experience. Taiwan's experience in tunnelling, earthquakes and landslides especially in the aftermath of Typhoon Morakot will be beneficial to civil engineers in Malaysia. It is hoped that a similar joint seminar will be held in the future in Malaysia so that more members can benefit from the event. ■

Group photo of geotechnical engineers from Taiwan and Malaysia

(Note: CD-Rom of the papers presented in the joint-seminar is available in IEM's Library)