SPECIAL NOTICE

IMPLEMENTATION OF ENHANCED PI

e are pleased to announce that the IEM will be fully implementing the Enhanced Professional Interview (PI) with effect from 1 July, 2018. Using the competency profiles for professional engineers as the basis for assessment, the Enhanced PI measures the outcome of practical training and development for independent practice. This is in line with the global move in engineering communities worldwide towards an outcome-based competence assessment for international recognition.

The main benefits of the Enhanced PI are as follows:

- It is a competence-based and evidence-based assessment; it will provide applicants with a more objective and more balanced assessment by minimising the subjective judgement of individuals.
- The revised application form in the enhanced PI will be equally friendly to all professional engineering practices rather than focus on engineering consultancy practices.
- The Training & Experience Report will have a prescribed format for PI applicants to provide the required evidence for specific competencies. This will allow them to put up a better report compared to the conventional version which does not provide specific guidance.

To prepare for this move, IEM has been conducting training and awareness programmes since 2015. IEM will continue to provide training for potential applicants to prepare them for the full switch-over to the Enhanced PI next year.

ANNOUNCEMENT

FULL SWITCH-OVER TO ENHANCED PI FOR THE IEM PROFESSIONAL INTERVIEW WILL COMMENCE ON 1 JULY, 2018. All graduates planning to sit for the IEM Professional Interview may download information or guidelines from the IEM website at http://www.myiem.org.my or call the IEM Secretariat at 03-7968 4007. A hard copy can also be obtained at the IEM Secretariat office in Petaling Jaya, Selangor.

Important Deadlines in the Transition Towards Enhanced PI

In the transition to a full switch-over to the Enhanced PI, all new applicants and re-sit candidates of the Conventional PI must take note of the following:

NEW APPLICANTS

- IEM will completely replace the Conventional PI with the Enhanced PI with effect from 1 JULY, 2018.
- IEM will NOT ACCEPT new applications through the Conventional PI with effect from 1 JANUARY, 2018, in order to allow time to process applications and to conduct interviews well before 1 JULY, 2018.
- New applicants of the Conventional PI must ensure that they submit applications to the IEM Secretariat before NOON on SATURDAY, 30 DECEMBER, 2017. After this deadline, they will have to submit fresh applications under Enhanced PI.

RE-SIT CANDIDATES

- IEM will NO LONGER ACCEPT re-sit applications for the Conventional PI with effect from 31 DECEMBER, 2019.
- Re-sit candidates of the Conventional PI will have to submit fresh applications under the Enhanced PI if they fail to meet the above deadline.

To ensure a smooth passage to achieving Corporate Membership of IEM, new applicants are strongly encouraged to apply for Enhanced PI now. ■

Standing Committee on Examinations and Qualifications.

