

Technical Talk on “Why tendering is a must for Government projects and must be addressed with a higher priority than project management, contract administration and site management”

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Biodata of Speaker

Ir. (Dr.) S. Vignaeswaran PEPC has more than 30 years of working experience in the electrical, computer, IT, SCADA, project management and tendering field. He has been involved in state-of-the-art applications which includes cyber-security from the 1990s. He has an Electrical Engineering degree from Monash University (Clayton, Australia) and MSc in IT/BIS from University of Keele, UK. He continues to publish international papers in Engineering, IT, Computer Security and Project Management fields.

He has been the Client’s HOD (Electrical & Automation) in a large-scale Saudi Arabian project up to RM 8 billion in value. This has highlighted the scalability of projects and the errors within those projects. Additionally, he has worked in international projects that incorporates diverse project management approaches and requirements that exceed even those stated in the PMBOK. He is currently involved in a state-of-art utility automation project that has been applying new approaches in project management practices for the benefit of Malaysia specifically, and internationally in general.

Ir. Prof. Dr. Tan Chee Fai
Chairman, Consulting Engineers, Special Interest Group,
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Speaker

Synopsis

“The government’s procurement process can no longer be conducted without tenders. This is to ensure corruption and leakages no longer continue”, says Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim on 29th November 2022. The weight, depth and width of this statement will be explored in detail during this presentation.

There were a host of large-scale projects that have undergone scrutiny recently in the mainstream news over the way that their procurement and/or services were carried out. This will be compared and contrasted against the private sector large scale projects that have been carried out and all possible lessons learned will be discussed.

The practiced tendering process that has been in place will be explored in detail, analysed and possible enhancements proposed. The consequences of skipping one or many of the tendering processes will be highlighted with their long-term impacts.

The technical, management and organizational concepts with their respective philosophies will be highlighted, which will be expected to be intertwined with contract management, project management, organizational behaviour and tendering practices, among others. These complex, complicated and intertwined issues and concerns will be discussed against the local and international setting, to highlight best practices.

The presentation will highlight why tendering takes precedence in the overall process and why it should be given a greater emphasis than project management, contract management and contract administration. The shortcomings in the current Malaysian tendering approaches will be examined and possible solutions will be proposed for consideration.

Part of the presentation will also touch on the arbitration processes and practices and how it impacts relationships between all the stakeholders and the contractual parties.

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