

IEM SIGNS AN MOU WITH THE MELAKA HISTORICAL CITY COUNCIL (MBMB)

The Institution of Engineers Malaysia (IEM) and The Melaka Historical City Council (Majlis Bandaraya Melaka Bersejarah or MBMB) signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) on 17th July 2014 at the MBMB Auditorium, Graha Makmur, Melaka.

The MoU was signed between IEM President Y.Bhg. Dato' Ir. Lim Chow Hock and IEM Melaka Branch Chairman Ir. Nur Faizil Noor Mohamed representing IEM, whereas MBMB was represented by the Datuk Bandar Y.Bhg. Datuk Zainal Hj Abu and MBMB Secretary Tuan Hj Mansor Sudin. Witnessing the ceremony was Y.B. Datuk Dr. Abu Bakar Mohamad Diah, Deputy Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation Malaysia and Y.B. Datuk Ar. Haji Ismail bin Haji Othman, Exco for Housing, Local Government and Environment Melaka.



The purpose of the MoU among others are to enable IEM to channel engineering support and professional advice to MBMB when needed and for MBMB promote public awareness of engineering and safety regulations related to engineering amongst the public. In this regard, both parties including representatives from the IEM Malacca Branch had held a series of discussions on scope of cooperation that would be created through the MOU.

To-date, IEM has already signed MoUs with the Petaling Jaya City Council (MBPJ), the Ipoh City Council (MBI), the Miri City Council and the Kota Kinabalu City Council and is currently in discussion with several other local and city councils to establish similar MoUs.

With regard to the MoU with MBMB, the IEM Melaka Branch and MBMB will set up a joint Working Committee comprised of MBMB staff and IEM Melaka Branch members. The Working Committee will be tasked to deal with local issues such as traffic control, flash flooding, drainage and irrigation problems, irregular development sites, the spread of dengue and other matters related to engineering.

IEM also hopes to provide opportunities for engineers and technical staff of MBMB to attend courses and workshops organised by IEM to enhance their technical knowledge in latest engineering aspects. To that end, the engineers and technical staff of MBMB will be encouraged to become members of IEM.

Also present to witness the Signing Ceremony were IEM Honorary Secretary Ir. Gunasagaran Kristnan, IEM Melaka Branch Vice Chairman Ir. Dr. Tan Chee Fai, several IEM Excomm and Council Members, committee members of the IEM Melaka Branch as well as the Councillors, Heads of Departments and the senior management of MBMB.