

PAM PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE FORUM 2013

7 Dec 2013 (Sat) • 8.00 am – 5.30 pm • Plenary Theatre, Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre



Speaker: Ar Chong Lee Siong

Ar Chong Lee Siong APAM, MMIArbs, MIFireE, graduated from Deakin University, Geelong in 1990. He worked in Australia for three years where he developed his keen interest in the study of safety in buildings. Upon returning to Malaysia he contributed to the drafting of the proposed revisions to the UBBL and to the publication "Guide To Fire Protection Malaysia". Ar Chong has delivered numerous papers and seminars on the topic of Fire Safety for Jabatan Bomba dan Penyelamat Malaysia, Pertubuhan Akitek Malaysia and other organisations.

Uniform Building By-laws 1984 (Amendments) 2012

The amendments to the Uniform Building By-Laws 1984 was adopted and passed by the Parliament in 2012, and the State of Selangor was the first State to gazette the amendments in December 2012, to be cited as the Selangor Uniform Building (Amendment)(no.2) By-Laws 2012. This paper will highlight and elaborate on the major amendments to the UBBL with emphasis on the revisions to Fire Safety provisions in Parts VII and VIII.



Speaker: Ar Chan Seong Aun

Ar Chan Seong Aun graduated with a B Arch (Hons) and M Arch (Distinction) from Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand. He is currently the President of PAM 2013-2014 and has been a PAM Council member since 2004. He is a senior practising Architect and Director of Arkitek Daya Seni Sdn Bhd, an architectural firm established in 1985. In his role as one of the principal Architects of Arkitek Daya Seni Sdn Bhd, he is the PSP for many of the firm's housing projects ranging from terraced housing to luxury condominium in Kuala Lumpur. Ar. Chan

represented PAM in various committees in KPKT, KeTTHA and SIRIM. He was a member of the SIRIM Working Committee that updated MS1525:2001 to its latest 2007 version. Ar. Chan was the Co-Chairman of the PAM Sustainability Committee that developed the GBI and was also the founding Honorary Secretary of the Malaysian Green Building Confederation (MGBC). During his tenure as the Chairman of the PAM Professional Practice Committee 2002-2004, Ar Chan attended to many inquiries from the public and architects in relation to practice matters

LAM as Stakeholder for Architect's Professional Fees

In March 2007, a major amendment to the UBBL was introduced whereby the issuance of the Certificate of Fitness of Occupation (CFO) by the local authorities was replaced with the Certificate of Compliance and Completion (CCC) by professional Architects or Engineers. The Home Buyers Association (HBA) had raised their concern of the independence of professionals to issue the CCC and the potential for conflict of interest as the professionals are paid by the Clients. The proposal for the deposition of the Architect's fees with an independent third party was seen as an acceptable way to overcome this whilst also improving the public's perception as to the independence of the professionals. This proposal was included in LAM's position paper as well as in the numerous meetings and presentations made in the development and implementation of the CCC.

In June 2005, the proposal was tabled and accepted among members of the Building Industry Presidents Council (BIPC) In addition the proposal was acceptable also to the Home Buyers Association (HBA). On 28 June 2006, LAM and PAM submitted a memorandum to the Minister of Works proposing for the Architect's fees to be deposited with LAM as stakeholder and to be disbursed progressively according to work done. In early 2007, the Minister of Works announced the Ministry's support of the proposal for the "Deposition of the Architect's Fees with a Stakeholder" and instructed LAM & Board of Engineers (BEM) to prepare the mechanism on how to implement it. LAM at its meeting on 30th August 2007 decided to implement the proposal for the "Deposition of the Architect's Fees with a Stakeholder" initially for housing projects with LAM acting as the stakeholder. This paper will outline the mechanisms and details of the implementation.



Speaker: Pn Aminah Abd Rahman

Pn. Aminah Abdul Rahman is the Director of Research and Technical Legislative Division, Department of Local Government, Ministry of Urban Wellbeing, Housing and Local Government (MHLG). Architect by profession, she joined JKR Headquarters in 1990 and later moved to JKR Selangor in 1998. She joined MHLG in 2004 and currently, she leads a team in drafting, monitoring and improving OSC, CCC and OSC Online System. In addition, she also involved in drafting and improving the development control process and procedure.

New Model OSC

One Stop Centers (OSC) have been established at 98 Local Authorities in Peninsular Malaysia since April 2007 to facilitate development applications' approval process. There are 32 types of development applications that can be submitted through OSC with each application having its stipulated time frame to be resolved by the OSC Committee.

Since December 2011 Ministry of Urban Wellbeing, Housing and Local Government, Malaysia Productivity Corporation, 5 other ministries and 9 agencies have revisited OSC in the intention to comprehensively improve and enhance the approval processes and procedures benchmarked again good practices surveyed in 189 economies by the World Bank in its Doing Business Yearly Report.

New Model OCS focus in 5 main stages in any development cycle which can be improved and expedited through leaner procedures without amending nor contradicting the existing construction laws. The stages covered are Pre Consultation, Approval, Notification to Start Work, Final Inspection and Building Certification. This new model will be observed by all the industry players by Jun 2014.



Speaker: Ar Ezumi Harzani Ismail

Ar Ezumi Harzani is the Director of Arkitek MAA Sdn Bhd and a past council member of Malaysian Institute of Architect (PAM), member of PAM Professional Practice Committee and the past Chairman of Government, Industry and Community Liaison Committee. He also represents PAM in various government working groups and committees. In 2010, he was appointed as a member of Board of Architects Malaysia (LAM) Council of Architecture Accreditation and Education Malaysia (CAAEM); since then he has attended several architecture programme accreditation visits in local universities. He represents the private sector to the APEC Workshop in Reforming Regulatory System in Building Construction held in Singapore in October 2010. He is also a member of Focus Group on Dealing with Construction Permit (FGDCP) set up under Malaysia Productivity Corporation (MPC). Through FGDCP, he actively involves in reviewing the OSC procedures and process, and facilitates the workshops engaging the local authorities and technical agencies throughout the country. He graduated with Bachelor of Science degree in Housing, Building and Planning and Bachelor of Architecture from Universiti Sains Malaysia. He has recently started a research on Architects Self-regulation in Building Constructions at MPC and now extended the research at Universiti Teknologi Malaysia.

Architects self-regulation in Malaysia, is that possible?

Under the present laws, Principal Submitting Person is required to obtain written approval from local authority prior to commencement of building works and to issue Certificate of Completion and Compliance (CCC) upon completion of works. Many developers and investors are reporting that bureaucracy exertion in getting plan approval are changing from bad to worse, resulting big increase in compliance cost. This paper will discuss how a new regulatory model with a set of 'enabling and controlling' set up in self-regulation of architectural practice can be made simple and possible to implement. The paper shall also discuss the change in roles of PSP and local authority under the new model, where the PSP will only be required to deposit building plan to local authority for record and future audit purpose. Thus, the new roles of the local authority will be shifted to carrying out the physical building audit, instead of approving the building plan.

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PAM Other Member	290.00	240.00

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PROGRAMME

SESSION 1	SESSION 2
8.00 – 9.00 am Registration / arrival of guests	1.50 – 2.00 pm Corporate video by sponsors
9.00 – 9.10 am Corporate video by sponsors	2.00 – 3.00 pm LECTURE 3 New Model OSC <i>Speaker: Pn Aminah Abd Rahman</i>
9.10 – 9.25 am PAM's President welcome address	3.00 – 4.00 pm LECTURE 4 Architects self-regulation in Malaysia, is that possible? <i>Speaker: Ar Ezumi Harzani Ismail</i>
9.25 – 9.30 am Introduction to Program and Speakers	4.00 – 4.30 pm Tea Break
9.30 – 10.30 am LECTURE 1 Uniform Building By-laws 1984 (Amendments) 2012 <i>Speaker: Ar Chong Lee Siong</i>	4.30 – 5.30 pm PANEL DISCUSSION AND Q&A Expediting Planning and Building Approval Process – The Way Forward
10.30 – 11.00 am Tea Break	5.30pm Closing Remarks & End of Forum
11.00 – 12.00 am LECTURE 2 LAM as Stakeholder for Architect's Professional Fees <i>Speaker: Ar Chan Seong Aun</i>	
12.00 – 12.45 pm Q&A	
12.45 – 1.45 pm Lunch Break	

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