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FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSION (FGD) ON THE POTENTIAL OF GREEN PROCUREMENT IN SARAWAK CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

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Theme 1 Green procurement – a way forward
(Group Moderator: Dr Khairul Naim Adham)



Theme 2 Green procurement Implementation; Current
Challenges (Group Moderator: Dr Md Asrul Nasid Masrom)



Theme 3 Stakeholder Roles as a driver for Green Procurement
implementation (Group Moderator: Dr Natasha Khalil)

A group of researchers from *Fakulti Senibina, Perancangan & Ukur*, UiTM Sarawak successfully organised a half-day focus group discussion on the potential of green procurement in Sarawak construction industry on 6 February 2018 at Merdeka Palace Hotel. This discussion aimed to introduce the new procurement approach that integrates the green practices in the construction project delivery and gauge the participants' opinion on the potential and barriers of the green procurement implementation within the Sarawak Construction Industry. The FGD involving 23 participants included subject matter experts, academicians and industry practitioners. The green procurement expert, Dr. Khairul Naim Adham from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment of Malaysia, was invited to provide some insights on the direction of green procurement for the Malaysian Government. The project was led and organised by Munira Mohd Saferi, Syamimi Liyana Amat Aris, Zafikha Aida Bidin and Dr. Asmah Alia Mohamad Bohari. The FGD session was moderated by a main moderator, Dr. Asmah Alia Mohd Bohari assisted by Mohd Khairul Fitri Othman, Noor Syafiqah Mohd Sabri and Mohd Asraf Ayob as rapporteurs. The project was funded under an UiTM Internal Research Grant, the UiTM Excellent Fund 2018.



Group photo with the FGD participants

Sharing Session by FSPU UiTM Sarawak Campus – “What It Takes to Publish A Book”

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Fakulti Senibina, Perancangan dan Ukur, UiTM Sarawak successfully organised a half-day Sharing Session – “What It Takes to Publish A Book” for 39 academic staff on 8 January 2018 at *Bilik Sarjana*, UiTM Samarahan campus. The invited speaker, Dr. Md. Asrul Nasid Masrom successfully motivated the participants to publish by providing a few important steps and techniques in book publication. During the sharing session, Dr. Md. Asrul, who is also the Deputy Dean of Students' and Alumni affairs of Technology and Business Management Faculty, UTHM, shared his experience, including the obstacles and challenges he faced to publish his book. His sharing was very inspirational for young lecturers to embark on book publication. It is hoped that this event can spur interest in publication of books and other types of academic texts among the academicians in UiTM Sarawak.



Group photo with the speaker



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