

PAM **PERTUBUHAN AKITEK MALAYSIA**
MALAYSIAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

MALAYSIA COUNTRY REPORT

**The 30th ARCASIA COUNCIL MEETING AND
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ULAN BATOR
MONGOLIA**

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1. HISTORY OF THE INSTITUTE

The Pertubuhan Akitek Malaysia (PAM) . The Malaysian Institute of Architects was founded in 1920 as the Institute of Architects Malaya. In 1948, the name and consequently the Constitution were changed to the Federation of Malaya Society of Architects (FMSA) which was allied to the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA). Another change in name to reflect national sovereignty came about when PAM was registered on 20 January 1967.

The primary objective of the Institute is for the advancement and elevation of Architecture and the various arts and sciences connected therewith.+ The Institute provides a framework for its members to operate effectively: to do, to run and to get the business of Architecture within the Code of Conduct and Scale of Fees.

The Institute is managed by an elected Council consisting of a President, Deputy President, Vice President, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and 10 Council Members. Also in Council is the Immediate Past President, 3 nominated Past Presidents and 4 elected representatives from the Chapters.

2. CURRENT OFFICE BEARERS

Term of Office : 2008-2009

President : Ar Lee Chor Wah

Deputy President : Ar Boon Che Wee

Vice President : Ar Haji Hamdan Abdul Jamal

Honorary Secretary : Ar Saifuddin Ahmad

Honorary Treasurer : Ar Abu Zarim Abu Bakar

3. CURRENT MEMBERSHIP STRENGTH

Categories of Membership:

CATEGORIES	QUALIFICATIONS	ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP AS AT 30 TH JUNE 2009	ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION 2009
Corporate	Any person who has obtained the architectural qualification from schools recognized by the Institute and has passed the Professional Practice and Practical Experience Part 3 Examination.	1573	RM500.00 RM250.00 (Overseas)
Fellow	Any person who has been a Corporate Member for not less than 20 years, of good standing and who has contributed to the works of the Institute, or the profession or the industry may apply or be recommended for the Fellowship of the Institute.	Nil	NA
Retired	Any ordinary members who has attained the age of 60 years, and who has voluntarily retired from practice and ceased to be registered with the Board of Architects Malaysia shall, upon request by the prescribed form as per Bye-laws and subject to approval of Council, be eligible for the rights and privileges which this Constitution and the Bye-laws may be prescribe or allow	3	RM 250.00
Graduate	Any person who has completed a course of studies from a school which is recognized by the Institute as equivalent to passing the Part I & II Examinations of the Institute or who has completed the Part I & II Examinations conducted by the Institute and the Board.	632	RM190.00 RM125.00 (Overseas)
Student	Any person who has been admitted to a course leading to a professional Degree or Diploma in Architecture.	477	RM37.50
Associate Graduate	Any person who has graduated from a school of Architecture but who is not qualified for admission as a Corporate member, Graduate member, Academic member or Student member but acceptable to the Council for this class of membership and is interested in the objectives of the institute and is employed full time in an architectural practice or engaged in the building and design industry.	5	RM 190.00 RM 125.00 (Overseas)
Academic	Any person who is lecturing or teaching architecture full time in a college or university or engaged in building research or special projects in Malaysia, and is not eligible for Corporate or Graduate membership.	3	RM250.00 RM190.00 (Overseas)
Honorary	Any person who is not eligible for Corporate membership of the Institute may be elected as an Honorary Member if he is, by reason of his eminence, interest of Architecture and the arts and sciences connected therewith and of his contribution to the objectives of the Institute, considered by the Council to be eligible for the honor of Honorary Membership.	5	-
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP		2698	

Procedure for enrolment:

- a) Every applicant for admission as a Corporate Member, Graduate Member, Associate Graduate Member, Student or Academic Member shall make application and be proposed by at least two Corporate Members of the Institute in accordance with the proposal form as per Bye-Laws of his class of membership to which admission is sought.
- b) The proposal of every applicant for admission to any class of membership must be forwarded to the Honorary Secretary for submission to Council and if Council approves such proposal and find such candidate to be eligible and qualified according to the Constitution and Bye-Laws for the time being in force, he shall be admitted to membership in the class to which he has been proposed and such admission shall be recorded in the minutes of the Council meeting at which such nomination is approved.

4. BUDGET OF THE INSTITUTE

Sources of funds:

- i) Annual subscriptions
- ii) Sale of publications
- iii) Conferences/seminars
- iv) Sponsorships

The budget would have to be approved by Council.

5. NUMBER OF CHAPTERS

There are currently 4 Chapters of PAM:

- i) Northern Chapter (includes states of Penang, Perlis, Kelantan, Kedah and Terengganu)
- ii) Southern Chapter (includes states of Johor and Malacca)
- iii) Sabah Chapter
- iv) Sarawak Chapter

6. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

The AGM is generally held in the month of August, or as soon thereafter as practicable, provided that every such meeting shall be held not more than 15 months after the holding of the last preceding Annual General Meeting.

The annual elections are held during the AGM.

7. LEGAL STATUS OF THE INSTITUTE IN THE COUNTRY

PAM is recognized by the Malaysian Government as the NGO for Architects and it is the only Professional Institute for Architects in Malaysia.

Membership to PAM is not compulsory for a professional Architect to practice architecture in Malaysia.

Corporate Members are entitled to use the suffix APAM after their names.

8. REGISTRATION AUTHORITY FOR ARCHITECTS IN THE COUNTRY

The Registration Authority for Architects in Malaysia is the Board of Architects Malaysia or in Malaysian Language, Lembaga Arkitek Malaysia (LAM) constituted under the Architects Act 1967 (Revised 2007). The Board of Architects Malaysia (LAM) is the statutory body set up by the government to control the registration of Architects and practice of architecture in Malaysia. The Architects Act has allowed Professional Architects in Malaysia to use the prefix **Arq**

9. INTERNATIONAL AFFILIATIONS OF THE INSTITUTES

ORGANISATIONS	POSITIONS HELD BY MEMBERS OF THE INSTITUTE	ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS
International Union of Architects (UIA)	<p>Ar Dato' Haji Esa Mohamed Council Member, Region IV (2008-2011) Member, Professional Practice Commission (1998-2008) Professional Practice Commission Implementation Task Force (2009-2011)</p> <p>Ar Tan Pei Ing Alternate Council Member, Region IV (2008-2011) Member, Professional Practice Commission (2004-2008)</p> <p>Ar Boon Che Wee Member, Professional Practice Commission (2004-2008)</p> <p>Ar Dr Goh Chong Chia Treasurer (2008-2011)</p>	EUR 5562
Eastern Regional Organisation on Planning & Housing (EAROPH)	<p>Ar K C Leong Secretary General (1978-86)</p> <p>Ar Dato' Dr Ruslan Khalid Secretary General (1986-92)</p> <p>Ar Jimmy C S Lim Council Member (1992-94)</p> <p>Ar John Koh Seng Siew Secretary General (1994-2002)</p> <p>Ar Paul Lai Chu Council Member (2003-2005)</p> <p>Ar Lim Pay Chye Council Member (2003-2006)</p> <p>Ar Abu Zarim Abu Bakar Council Member (2006-2009)</p>	US\$69
Architects Regional Council Asia (ARCASIA)	<p>Ar Dato' Dr Kenneth Yeang Deputy Chairman (1983-84) Chairman (1987-88) , Adviser (1999-2000)</p> <p>Ar David Teh Deputy Chairman (1985-88)</p> <p>Ar Dato' Haji Esa Mohamed Honorary Secretary (1987-88) Chairman (1995-96) Immediate Past Chairman (1997-98)</p> <p>Ar Datuk P Kasi Honorary Treasurer (1987-88) Chairman ACAE (1991-94) Honorary Secretary (1995-96) Chairman (1999-2000)</p> <p>Ar Henry Lee Inn Seong Honorary Treasurer (1995-96)</p> <p>Ar Lai Lok Kun Honorary Secretary (1978-80)</p> <p>Ar Lt Kol Prof Dato' Parid Wardi Chairman ACAE (1997-2000)</p> <p>Ar Dr Tan Loke Mun Honorary Secretary (1999-2000)</p> <p>Ar Lim Pay Chye Honorary Treasurer (1999-2000)</p> <p>Ar Tan Pei Ing Deputy Chairman, Zone B (2007-2008)</p>	US\$500

10. MAJOR PROGRAMMES OF THE INSTITUTE

PAM Convention (Annually)

International Design Conference (DATUM: KL) (Annually)

Dialogues with Local and International Allied Professional Bodies and Government Departments

PAM Awards (Annually)

PAM Architectural Steel Awards (Biannually)

PAM Colour On Building Awards (Biannually)

Building Industry Dinner (Annually)

PAM Annual Dinner (Annually)

Members' Night (Annually)

PAM Golf Competition (Annually)

Students Workshop & Exhibition (Annually)

Community Outreach Programme (Monthly)
- Architects Meet the Public Session

Technical Visits

Arbitration & Mediation Services

CPD Seminars & Workshops (1st and 3rd week of the month)

Design Lecture Series (4th week of the month)

Gold Medal Award – Dato' Ar Dr Hj Baharuddin Abu Kassim

Inter Firm Friendly Bowling Tournament (Annually)

My Dream Home Contest

Green Building Forum

Green Building Index Launching

President Award – Sr. Low Khian Seng

11. PUBLICATIONS / EXHIBITIONS

The Institute has four major publications:

Berita Akitek - monthly journal

Architecture Malaysia . bi monthly

Architects Directory . annually

Architecture Asia . tri monthly

ChaptersqMonographs . special publications

Recent Malaysian Architecture . 2007

Architectural Heritage Pre-Merdeka Kuala Lumpur (2007)

Sarawak & Sabah Chapter book . special publications

The above publications are useful reference and communication tools on the architectural profession and they are being circulated to PAM members, public libraries and universities. *Architecture Malaysia* is also being sold at major bookshops.

The recent Students Exhibition in conjunction of Architecture, Interior Design and Building Exhibition (Archidex09) was held from 2nd . 5th July 2009. It features 10 schools with a total of 18 exhibition panels. The next exhibition will be Joseph Hoffman exhibition, collaboration with Austrian Embassy. This will be held from 19th . 25th October 2009. The annual One Utama Architecture Student Exhibition will start from 4th -8th November 2009 which will showcase students work from all architecture schools. This year's theme will be %Evolution Towards Green Technology+.

12. AWARDS AND DESIGN COMPETITION

PAM has organised 3 awards competitions, 3 design competitions and 1 photography competition. The annual PAM Awards is the most awaited award with 8 categories for this year. This prestigious award will be announced in October 2009 during PAM Annual Dinner.



*PAM Awards
Judging in Session*



*PAM Awards
Judging Juries*

A new award has been created this year. The President Award is given to members of professional bodies that have contributed to architecture profession. The 2009 award recipient is Sr Low Khian Seng.



*President Award Winner
Surveyor(Sr) Low Khian Seng*

The bi-annual award PAM Architectural Steel Award re-visits this year. 25 entries were received and winners were announced during the Building Industry Dinner recently.



*PAM Architectural Steel Award
Judging Session*

Design competitions organised by PAM were Design of PAM Booth Competition at Archidex09 and PAM President's Award Medal Design. PAM also jointly organize the annual My Dream Home Design contest with a local newspaper. A total of 39 entries were received.

13. KEY ISSUES FACED BY THE PROFESSION AND ARCHITECTS

The public is having misconception of the architects now due to the recent collapse incidents of Jaya Supermarket and Stadium Sultan Zainal Abidin. In addition to imprecise reports from media, this has caused the misconception towards the profession.

14. RESOURCES OF THE INSTITUTE

• PAM RESOURCE CENTRE

Resource Centre currently has more than 5,000 materials of various formats including printed materials, multimedia materials as well as electronic sources. Avery Index to Architectural Periodicals online database offers more than 440,000 thousand entries of a comprehensive listing of journal articles on architecture and design, including bibliographic descriptions on subjects such as the history and practice of architecture, landscape architecture, city planning, historic preservation, and interior design and decoration will be on trial period for all PAM Members. The Resource Centre is accessible to PAM Members, students and researchers.

• PUSAT BINAAN SDN BHD

Pusat Binaan Sdn Bhd, the business and entrepreneurial arm of PAM is involved in areas relating to the architectural profession and building industry. The activities undertaken by Pusat Binaan Sdn Bhd are not solely for profit but also as a service to members and others in the building industry.

• PAM EDUCATION FUND (PEF FUND)

The PAM Education Fund was set up with the approval of general body of members on 9th August 1981. The main objective of the fund is to encourage and assist persons desirous of acquiring architectural or related qualifications by provision of scholarship and educational loans. The Fund provides loans or grants of money, book and equipment for training candidates in the architectural profession and also provides grants for research work in relation to building science or to the art and science of architecture. Current PEF projects include travel scholarship to students from recognized universities, study scholarships, student jamborees, student exhibitions and book grant to PAM Resource Centre.

15. PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

- i. Architecture Re-Branded
Re-branding architecture to be relevant to the community through Architect Centres services, promotion of sustainable development, and developing a green rating system for Malaysia.
- ii. Architecture Recognised
Encouraging the media to give due recognition to Architects as well as promoting PAM, Malaysian architects and architecture through the media. PAM is also to organize ideas competition on PAM centre with objective to get proposals on how to make PAM Centre commercially viable.
- iii. Architecture Excelled
Capacity building programmes such as CPD Seminars, PAM Contract Seminars, Design Lecture Series, Datum KL and participation in the Venice Biennale so that Malaysian Architects could excel both locally and globally.

- iv. Architecture Published
Publishing books on PAM Membersqworks, PAM Gold Medallists, History of PAM, Sabah and Sarawak Architecture for prosperity and the promotion of our Architecture and services overseas.
- v. Architecture Delivered
Working closely with the Government, local authorities, and other professional bodies to fine-tune the delivery system so as to make Malaysian building industry internationally competitive. PAM is urging for an Architects Department at the Ministry Of Works to be set up.

16. PERTINENT ISSUE

There were two buildings collapsed recently in Malaysia. The collapse of old Jaya Supermarket building has taken 7 lives. The building is in demolishing stages when it collapsed on 28th May 2009.

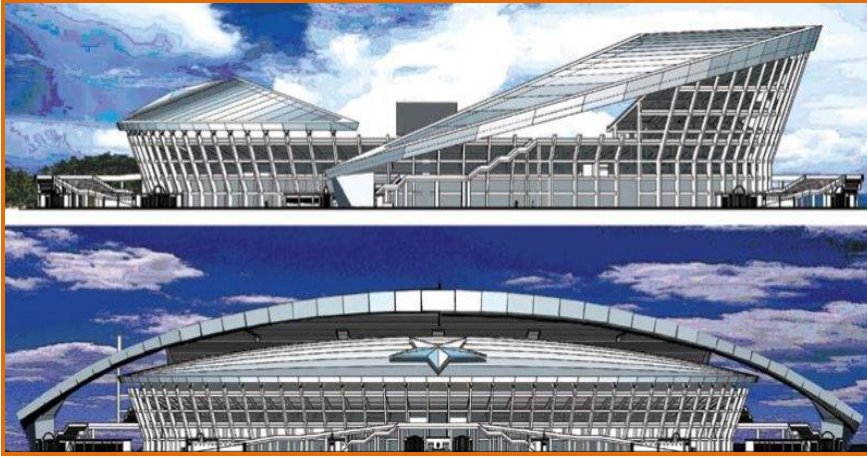


*Jaya Supermarket
Building Before
Collapsed*



*Jaya Supermarket
Building After
Collapsed*

The roof of Stadium Sultan Mizan Zainal Abidin in Kuala Terengganu collapsed on 2nd June at 7:45 am. The 35mil stadium was just one year old when its high roof collapsed.



*The Stadium
before Collapsed*



*The Stadium after
Collapsed*



*The Stadium after
Collapsed
(side picture)*