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## **CIDB SIGNS MOU WITH UK PROFESSIONAL BODY TO ENHANCE PROFESSIONALISM OF CONSTRUCTION PERSONNEL IN MALAYSIA**

**LONDON (21 JUNE 2022)** – The Construction Industry Development Board of Malaysia has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB), at the CIOB office here. The MoU is part of CIDB's efforts to enhance project management and construction management practices in Malaysia.

CIOB is the world's largest and most influential professional body for construction management and leadership. CIOB has a Royal Charter to promote the science and practice of building and construction for the benefit of society, which it has been doing since 1834. CIOB members work worldwide in the development, conservation and improvement of the built environment.

Datuk Ir. Ahmad 'Asri Abdul Hamid, Chief Executive of CIDB, signed the MoU on behalf of CIDB, while Caroline Gumble, the CEO of CIOB signed on behalf of CIOB. Present at the signing were Datuk Arthur Joseph Kurup, the Deputy Minister of Works, and Ir. Yusuf Abd. Wahab, CIDB Chairman. Also present at the signing were Amy Gough, Director of Membership, CIOB who witnessed the signing.

The MoU outlines the cooperation between CIDB and CIOB to promote the enhancement of construction management and project management, construction technology, and

environmental sustainability in the construction industry. This will be carried out through information exchange and research.

“This MoU is another step in the continuing evolution of the Malaysian construction industry and is in line with the aspirations of the National Construction Policy 2030 (NCP 2030), set forth by the Malaysian Ministry of Works to lead the construction sector in Malaysia into the digital era”, said Datuk Arthur Joseph Kurup during his speech at the signing ceremony.

“The MoU signing today, which serves as a platform for collaboration through information and knowledge exchange, is very much in line with CIDB’s role in developing the Malaysian construction industry. These human capital development efforts are not only important in Malaysia and the UK, but also for all construction professionals around the world in order to remain competitive in a challenging environment” said Ir. Yusuf Abd. Wahab.

“This agreement further strengthens CIOB’s support for the international community of construction professionals and establishes our relationship with CIDB Malaysia, with whom we share a mission to secure a better future for our industry. We look forward to sharing best practice from our respective cultures to promote excellence and professionalism in the built environments in Malaysia, in the UK and globally”, said Caroline Gumble.

CIDB and CIOB’s mutual cooperation is intended to raise the profile and recognition of professional management in construction through wider recognition of certification and accreditation for Project Managers and Construction Managers in Malaysia. This will help create a future-ready workforce.

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***About CIDB Malaysia***

*The Construction Industry Development Board was established under the Construction Industry Development Act (Act 520) to develop the Capacity and Capability of the Construction Industry through Enhancement of Quality and Productivity by Placing Great Emphasis on Professionalism, Innovation and Knowledge in the Endeavour to Improve the Quality of Life.*

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