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70 INDUSTRY PLAYERS LAUDED FOR CONSTRUCTION EXCELLENCE AT MCIEA 2024

IAQ Solutions awarded as the “Builder of The Year”

KUALA LUMPUR, 18 November 2024 - The Construction Industry Development Board Malaysia (CIDB) today recognised the achievements of 70 industry players at the prestigious Malaysian Construction Industry Excellence Awards (MCIEA) 2024. The MCIEA honours project owners/client, contractors, consultants and projects which have demonstrated the elements of quality, safety and health, productivity and sustainability in their operations.

This year, IAQ Solutions Sdn. Bhd. took home the coveted “Builder of The Year”, one of the defining projects that helped IAQ Solutions earn this award was their Testing Manufacturing Plant of Robert Bosch. Established in 1994 as a cleanroom specialist, IAQ Solutions Sdn Bhd has since evolved and thrived as a total facility solutions provider for specialised industries from semiconductors and petrochemical plants to pharmaceuticals. IAQ Solutions Sdn. Bhd. integrates cutting-edge air quality and environmental control measures across a diverse portfolio of projects. The company’s prolific track record features illustrious clients such as Bosch, Western Digital, Silterra and Texas Instruments. Charting their humble beginnings with a small office in Shah Alam and a handful of employees, the company has now cemented their global presence in 12 offices operating across 7 countries, including China, Poland and Morocco. Renowned for their innovative approaches, IAQ Solutions strives to extend beyond meeting industry standards, consistently providing turnkey solutions with stringent safety standards.

The highest accolade of the evening, the “Prominent Player Award”, was given to Tan Sri Datuk Seri Lim Keng Cheng, Chairman of Lim Seong Hai Capital Berhad. Known for his pioneering leadership, Lim has dedicated over three decades to shaping Malaysia’s built environment through a unique blend of resilience, innovation and social responsibility. His infrastructure, real estate development achievements, and staunch commitment to sustainability have distinguished him as a prominent industry figure and left an indelible mark on Malaysia’s construction landscape.

The International Achievement Award for 2024 celebrates WCT Berhad's outstanding completion of the Lusail Development Project in Doha, Qatar. This ambitious endeavor transformed a 38-square-kilometer area into a world-class urban hub, featuring the Lusail Stadium—host to the 2022 FIFA World Cup final. WCT Berhad played a crucial role in delivering all aspects of this complex projects, including 11 kilometers of internal roads, underground car parks and an intricate utility networks for power, water and telecommunications. Their work also encompassed architectural, structural and MEP works for substations and LRT stations, blending innovative designs with cutting-edge technology. The company's other more notable projects include Bahrain International Circuit and Yas Marina Circuit in Abu Dhabi, UAE. The Lusail development project has redefined benchmarks for excellence in international construction. WCT Berhad's remarkable growth from local construction firm to formidable global player has made them a force to be reckoned with and an inspiration for the industry.

The MCIEA organized by CIDB aims to recognize the construction industry players achievements at the organizational, project and also individual. The Recipient evaluation, selection and final judging was administered through a rigorous and transparent judging process with multiple rounds of review by 40 assessors and presented to six judges specially appointed for their distinguished standing in the industry. Owing to the fact that the MCIEA has not been held for the last four years, this year, CIDB have allowed more than one recipient and a special mention to be recognized in each category as deemed fit by the panel of jury and final decision by the judges.

“The MCIEA awards are not just about celebrating success: they represent the strength, spirit and relentless pursuit of excellence that defines our industry. Every project submitted, every innovation implemented, is a step towards a better-built Malaysia for future generations,” said **Dato' Sr Mohd Zaid Zakaria, Chief Executive of CIDB Malaysia.**

Since 2020, the industry has faced unprecedented challenges, yet the resilience and innovation displayed have been truly inspiring. Emerging stronger and more united, this year's MCIEA showcased the remarkable accomplishments of individuals and organisations that have led the way in innovation, quality, sustainability and their contributions to the growth of Malaysia's construction industry.

Over recent years, the sector has been overcoming obstacles, adapting to evolving requirements and implementing new technologies. Mohd Zaid added, “The pandemic brought an unparalleled disruption, but it also brought opportunities to transform and reinvent. Today's recipients took these challenges head-on and turned them into success stories that will inspire our industry for years to come.”

The MCIEA 2024 awards ceremony was graced by **Dato Sri Alexander Nanta Linggi, Minister of Works.** Also present were **Datuk Seri Ahmad Maslan, Deputy Minister**

of Works, Datuk Seri Azman Bin Ibrahim, Secretary General, Ministry of Works and Ir. Haji Yusuf Bin Haji Abd. Wahab, Chairman, CIDB Malaysia.

This year 3 Notable projects that received MCIEA accolades include Menara Affin, Jalan Tun Razak, Kuala Lumpur and Pejabat Kerajaan, Parcel F, Presint 1, Putrajaya winning the “Best Project Award – Building (Major Category)”. As for Klang Valley Mass Rapid Transit: Sungai Buloh-Serdang-Putrajaya Line / Line 2 won “Best Project Award – Infrastructure (Major Category)”.

The award recipients at MCIEA 2024 were selected by an esteemed panel of judges comprising respected industry experts and veterans, chaired by **Tan Sri Dr. Ahmad Tajuddin Ali**. The judges were: **Dato’ Srikandan Kanagainthiram, Dato’ Sri Ir. Dr. Judin Abdul Karim, Dato’ Ir. Hashimah Hashim, Dato’ Ir. Dr. Gue See Sew and Dato’ Sri Ir. Dr. Roslan Bin Md Taha.**

Please refer to the attached fact sheet for the full list of MCIEA 2024 award categories and recipients.

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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.
