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## **CIDB RECEIVED INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION IN THE ASSESSMENT AND ACCREDITATION FOR CONSTRUCTION PERSONEL**

*The ISO/IEC 17024:2012 certificate awarded for welding, non-destructive testing and blasting and painting*

**KUALA LUMPUR, 16 November 2023:** The Construction Industry Development Board Malaysia (CIDB) today received the International Standards Organisation and International Electrotechnical Commission ISO/IEC 17024:2012 Certification from the Department of Standards Malaysia (DSM). The ISO/IEC 17024:2012 is a certification for Conformity Assessment: General Requirements for Bodies Operating Certification of Persons, which is an international recognition in the assessment and accreditation of construction personnel competency. CIDB received the ISO/IEC for three construction trades highly in demand in the Oil & Gas sector, namely; Welding, Non-destructive Testing (NDT) and Blasting and Painting.

The ISO/IEC 17024:2012 certification was presented during the opening ceremony of International Construction Week (ICW) 2023 to CIDB Chief Executive, Dato' Sr Mohd Zaid Zakaria by Director General of Department of Standard Malaysia, Encik Shaharul Sadri Alwi.

The presentation was witnessed by Minister of Works Malaysia, Dato Sri Alexander Nanta Linggi. Present also was Deputy Minister of Works, Dato' Sri Abdul Rahman Bin Haji

Abdullah, Secretary General, Ministry of Works, Datuk Seri Hasnol Zam Zam Bin Haji Ahmad and Chairman of CIDB Malaysia, Ir Haji Yusuf Bin Haji Abd. Wahab.

With the ISO/IEC certification, all Construction Skills Competency Certification or *Sijil Kompetensi Kemahiran Pembinaan* (SKKP) issued by CIDB Malaysia for these three competency areas, will be recognised internationally. Skills competency training in Welding, NDT and Blasting and Painting training for youth and construction personnel is available at CIDB wholly owned training centres, namely the Akademi Binaan Malaysia (ABM) and CIDB Technologies.

Earlier in his speech to officially launched the ICW, Dato Sri Alexander Nanta Linggi, applaud CIDB for establishing the Construction Skills Qualification Framework (CSQF) - a system designed to provide a structured approach to skills development and training within the construction industry in Malaysia.

“The impact of CSQF will be transformative. We are not just setting standards; we are shaping the future of construction expertise in Malaysia. This framework serves as a beacon of opportunity, guiding aspiring individuals toward acquiring the necessary skills and qualifications that the industry demands. It signifies our commitment to excellence, ensuring that those entering the construction sector are equipped with the right knowledge and capabilities to excel in their roles,” he said in the speech.

The Minister also launch the CIDB Form of Contract for Building Works, 2022 Edition. The new form of contract incorporates the concept of "collaborative contracts" which is a contractual agreement among project participants in construction projects that promotes collaboration, cooperation, and shared risk and reward. It is a transition from traditional contractual arrangements where parties primarily focus on their own interests and responsibilities.

The ICW has been the premier annual event for the construction industry in Malaysia for more than 20 years. This year ICW 2023 is the 22<sup>nd</sup> edition with the theme “Leading ESG in Construction” is organized at MITEC, Kuala Lumpur from 15 – 17 November 2023. For

the first time, the ICW will introduce BuildXpo, the Malaysia International Building and Construction Industry Showcase. It is a brand new mega exhibition covering the whole supply chain of construction industry. BuildXpo is expected to attract more than 500 exhibitors and more than 10,000 trade visitors.

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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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