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HARMONISE THE ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION STANDARDS AMONGST BUILDINGS IN ASEAN COUNTRIES BY 2025

Kuala Lumpur, December 4, 2018 – The Institution of Engineers Malaysia (IEM) spearheads an initiative to harmonise the electrical installation standards amongst building in ASEAN countries by 2025.

"ASEAN is one of the most dynamic regions in the world. Our economy is not just growing, but growing rapidly. Yet, its growth potential remains vastly untapped. In line with the ASEAN Economic Blueprint 2025, the creation and driving of global value chains have been gradually intensifying.

Hence, the initiative to harmonise the standards for ASEAN countries is crucial, and Standards Malaysia as the sole National Standards Body in Malaysia will give full support to IEM," Director General of Standards Malaysia, Datuk Fadilah Baharin said at the ASEAN Electrotechnical Symposium and Exhibition 2018, today.

A White Paper for Electrical Installation Standards & Regulations in Buildings amongst ASEAN Countries will be launched tomorrow. This is an extensive study to comprehend and identify the possible gaps and differences in the various electrical installation standards and regulations of the 10 ASEAN countries.

Meanwhile, according to President of IEM, Ir David Lai Kong Phooi, the ASEAN nations including Malaysia are gearing up towards uplifting the quality culture originating from standards and conformance in order to boost their global competitiveness.

Acknowledging that standards is an important driver in improving the value chain, it is a great honour for IEM together with Standards Malaysia and Energy Commission to be able to provide a platform at the ASEAN Electrotechnical Symposium and Exhibition 2018 for collaborations and exchanges pertaining to standards in ASEAN which can in turn drive our industry towards globalisation.

“The Energy Commission publishes the Electricity Supply Industry Outlook which highlights the insights and up-to-date information of the industry and its future direction based on the Integrated Generation and Transmission Plan approved by The Planning and Implementation Committee of Electricity Supply and Tariff (JPPPET).

The current 20-year plan focuses on having more renewable energy (RE) in the system to meet the Government’s aspirational target of 20 per cent renewable energy (RE) in the capacity mix by 2025 and to address the sustainability pillar of the Energy Trilemma. Interconnections with neighbouring countries on the other hand are being explored to address the security issues of the Energy Trilemma,” Chairman of Energy Commission, YBhg. Datuk Ir. Ahmad Fauzi Hasan said.

This event was attended by Chairman of Malaysian Standards and Accreditation Council, YBhg. Prof. Emeritus Datuk Dr. Marimuthu Nadason, President of International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), Mr. James M. Shannon,

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