

Congress Banquet

International Conference on Water and
Wastewater Management (ICWWM) / 6th
Regional Symposium on Total Laboratory
Management (6QSEL) / LabAsia & ChemAsia
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Putra World Trade Centre, Kuala Lumpur,

Malaysia

Salutations

It gives me great pleasure to be the Guest of Honour at the Congress Banquet of the International Conference on Water and Wastewater Management, 6th Regional Symposium on Total Laboratory Management, LabAsia and ChemAsia 2013.

I would like to thank Institut Kimia Malaysia, or IKM in short, and other collaborating partners for giving me this opportunity to meet up with all of you participating in the water conference, laboratory symposium and the exhibitions.

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Water is a key issue in our daily life. I am pleased that the International Conference of Water and Wastewater Management, or ICWWM, is looking into various areas related to the management of water resources.

Besides meeting our daily needs, water is also a key component in our social economic transformation. It is with adequate supply of water that we are able to meet the needs of rapid industrial and socio-economic development.

^{...}I am sure that ICWWM will be able...

I am sure that ICWWM will be able to provide some inputs in resolving some of problems and issues related to water management in this country.

On the other hand, laboratory management is a key and essential component of any scientific and technical work and research. It also plays an important role in various industrial sectors including manufacturing and services. The 6th Biennial Regional Symposium on Total Laboratory Management, or 6QSEL, is an avenue to discuss the latest issues and development in laboratory management.

^{...}With rapid advances made in scientific...

With rapid advances made in scientific equipment and instrumentation, it is important that our chemists, quality control and quality assurance personnel, scientists and researchers, are kept up to date with the latest development in these areas.

LabAsia 2013, with more than 150 companies from all over the world taking part, will showcase the latest in scientific equipment, instrumentation, laboratory and analytical services. It is a good opportunity for our technical and laboratory personnel, chemists, scientists and researchers to learn and acquire the latest in scientific equipment, techniques and technology.

^{...}With the most up to date...

With the most up to date scientific equipment and instrumentation, and top laboratory management, Malaysian products and services will be able to compete favourably in the global market place.

After a busy day of discussions and deliberations on water and laboratory management, it is time for you to relax and enjoy yourself at tonight's dinner. With up to 550 guests from Malaysia and overseas present here tonight, it is also a great avenue for you to make new friends and acquaintance to extend your collaboration in research and work.

^{...}On behalf of MOSTI, ...

On behalf of MOSTI, I would like to congratulate IKM and the other collaborating partners for successfully organised ICWWM, QSEL, LabAsia and ChemAsia 2013.

IKM is a professional scientific organisation of practising chemists in Malaysia. It has been very active in promoting the advancement of chemistry and the profession of chemistry in Malaysia. IKM is both well recognised in Malaysia and globally. This augurs well for the development of chemistry, and science and technology in Malaysia. MOSTI supports IKM's effort in advancing chemistry and the chemistry profession in Malaysia for national development and improving the quality of life.

^{...}For the overseas participants, ...

For the overseas participants, we would like to invite you to visit beautiful Malaysia. We are a multi-cultural and multi-religious community with various races living in a peaceful and harmonious society.

Malaysia is also a tropical paradise with beautiful sandy beaches and crystal clear water, coupled with mega biodiversity. This is especially true in my home state of Sabah where you have the chance to climb the highest peak, Mount Kinabalu, in Southeast Asia. I am sure that it will be a beautiful experience for all of you.

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I thank you for your presence at the Congress Banquet and enjoy the sumptuous food and the entertainment as put up by the Organisers.