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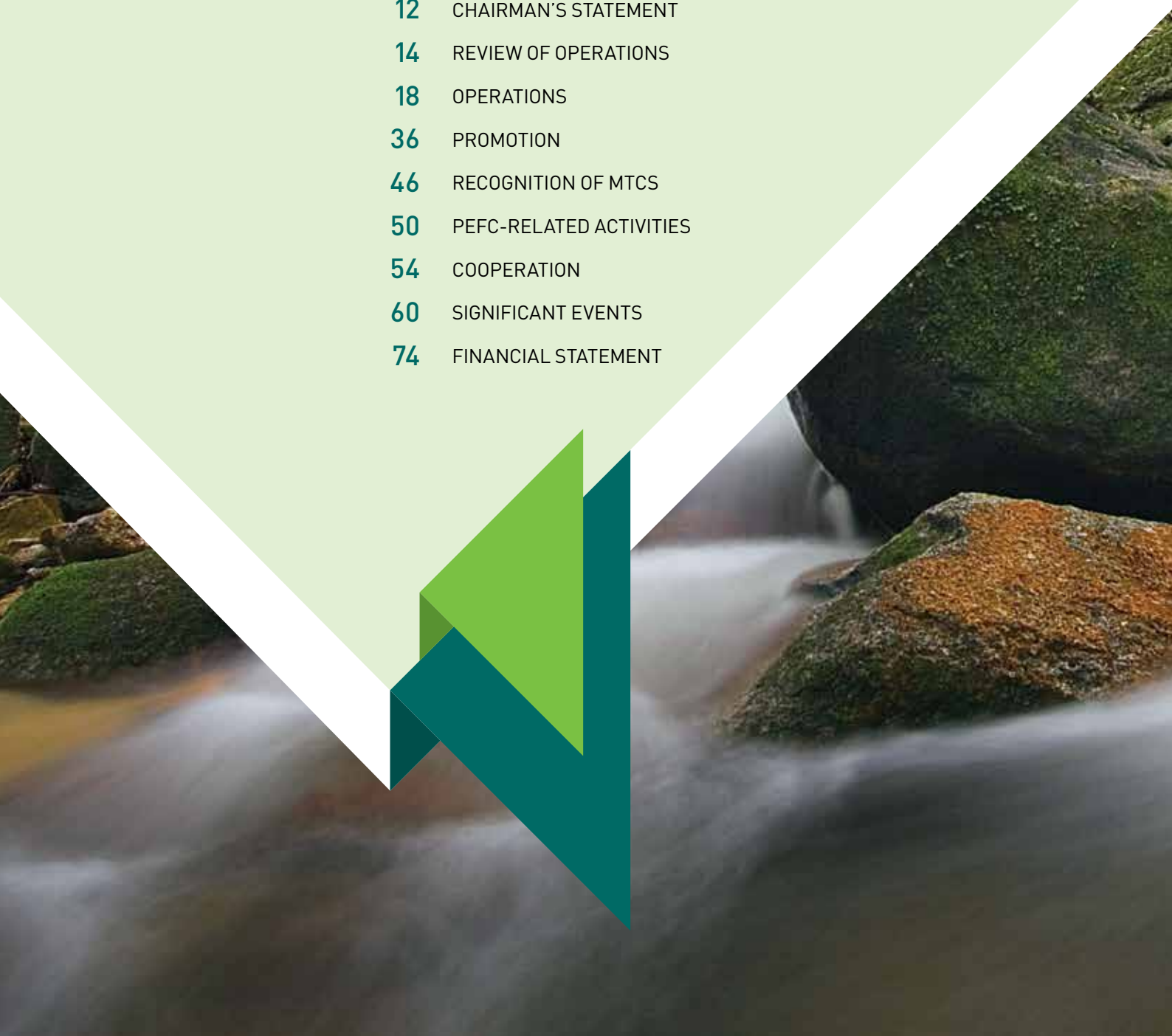


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A photograph of several children running on a dirt path in a rural, hilly area. In the foreground, a boy in a yellow t-shirt and black shorts is running towards the left, smiling. To his left, a younger child in an orange t-shirt is also running. In the background, another child is sitting on the ground. A wooden house with a dark roof is visible behind them, surrounded by lush green trees and hills. The image is overlaid with white geometric shapes and lines, creating a modern, graphic design.

## VISION

To be recognised  
as the leading timber  
certification organisation  
for tropical forests

## MISSION

To establish and  
operate a credible  
and internationally  
recognised national  
timber certification  
scheme towards  
promoting sustainable  
forest management  
in Malaysia





# CORPORATE PROFILE

The Malaysian Timber Certification Council (MTCC) is an independent organisation and commenced its operations in January 1999 to develop and operate the voluntary Malaysian Timber Certification Scheme (MTCS). MTCC was incorporated under the Companies Act 1965 as a company limited by guarantee and is governed by a Board of Trustees.

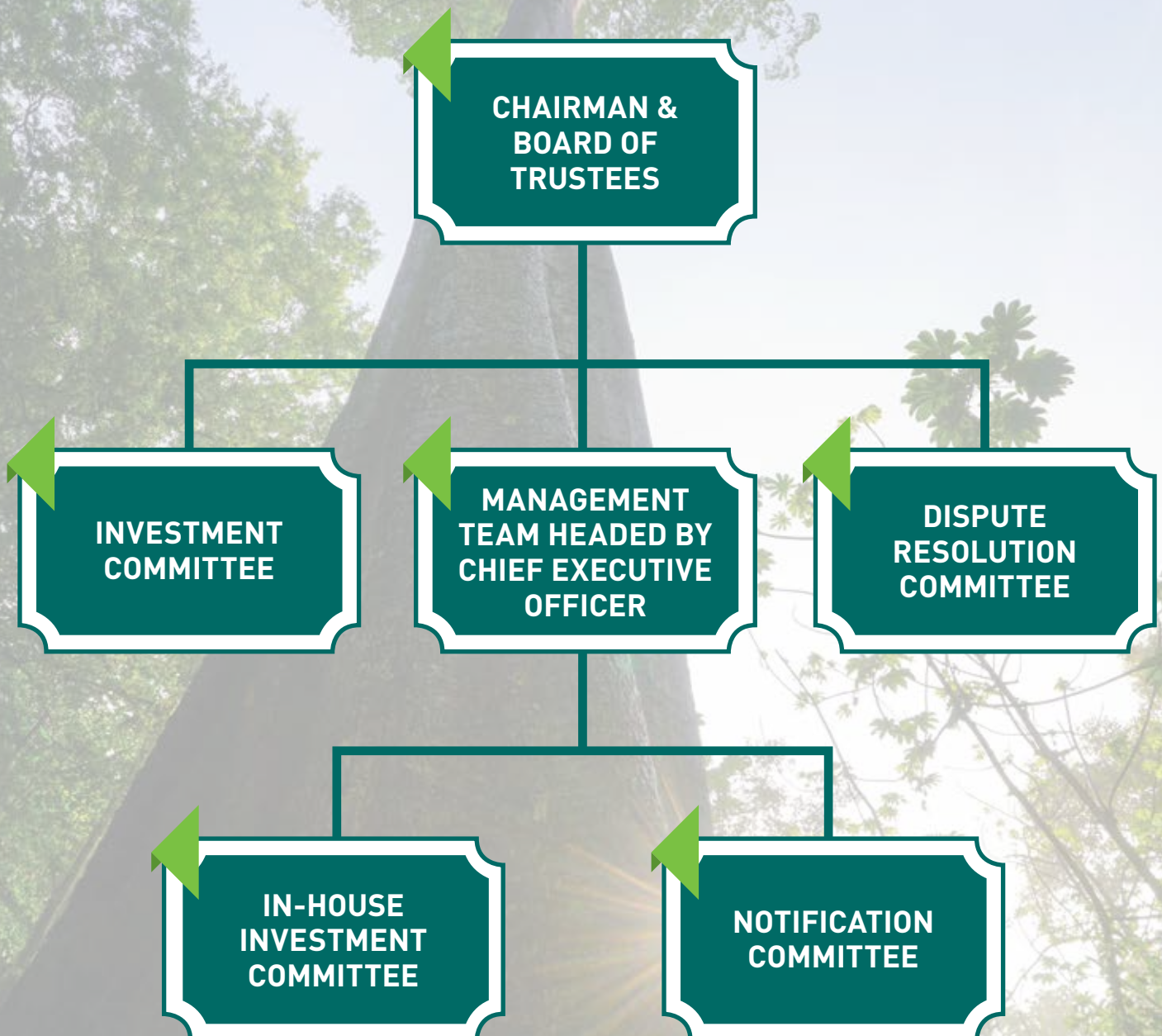
As the national governing body (NGB), MTCC is responsible for the implementation of the MTCS to carry out the following main activities:

- support the standard-setting process by serving as the secretariat to the appropriate standard setting body in formulating standards related to timber certification and keeping them under review periodically
- process applications for MTCS notification of certification bodies (CBs) operating forest management system and/or chain of custody (CoC) certification, and the issuance of logo usage licences to certificate holders
- implement the procedure for the investigation and resolution of disputes, complaints and appeals related to its role as the NGB
- liaise closely with the national accreditation body and other certification organisations in matters related to timber certification
- coordinate with national, regional and international bodies related to timber certification to facilitate cooperation and mutual recognition arrangements
- conduct programmes to promote and publicise the MTCS, both locally and internationally.



# ORGANISATION OF MTCC

MTCC is organised as shown in the structure below for the performance of its roles and functions and achievement of its organisational objectives.





# BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## CHAIRMAN



**Datuk Himmat Singh**  
(up to 15 May 2018)



**Datuk K. Yogeesvaran**  
(w.e.f. 27 July 2018)

The Board of Trustees, comprising the Chairman and ten members, is the governing body which decides the overall policies and directions in carrying out MTCC's activities. The members comprise representatives from the academic or research and development institutions, private sector (timber industry associations), non-governmental organisations (social and environmental interests) and the government.

## MEMBERS

Ministry of Water,  
Land and Natural  
Resources (KATS)  
(up to 1 October 2018)



**Dr. Megat Sani  
Megat Ahmad Supian**

Ministry of Water,  
Land and Natural  
Resources (KATS)  
(w.e.f. 11 October 2018)



**Dato' Wan Mazlan  
Wan Mahmood**

Ministry of Primary  
Industries (MPI)



**Wan Saifulikmal  
Wan Abdul Rahman**

Forest Research  
Institute Malaysia  
(FRIM)



**Dr. Samsudin Musa**

Sarawak Timber  
Association (STA)



**Dato Henry  
Lau Lee Kong**

Malaysian Timber  
Industry Forum  
Malaysia (TIF)



**Low Ching Cheong**

Persatuan Orang Asli  
Perak (POAP)



**Dato' Suki Mee**

Wildlife Conservation  
Society (WCS) –  
Malaysia Program



**Dr. Melvin Gumal**

Timber Employees  
Union Peninsular  
Malaysia (TEUPM)



**Nor Azlan Yaacob**

Universiti Putra  
Malaysia (UPM)



**Dr. Khamurudin  
Mohd Nor**

Persatuan  
Penggerak  
Perpaduan Malaysia  
(up to 28 May 2018)



**Datuk Ang Chin Tat**

Sabah Wetlands  
Conservation Society  
(SWCS)  
(w.e.f. 3 September  
2018)



**Datuk Haji Zainie  
Abdul Aucasa**





## The Board of Trustees met four times in 2018

**01** Seventy-Fifth Meeting  
6 March, Kuala Lumpur

**02** Seventy-Sixth Meeting  
16 August, Kuala Lumpur







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Seventy-Seventh Meeting  
22 October, Port Dickson



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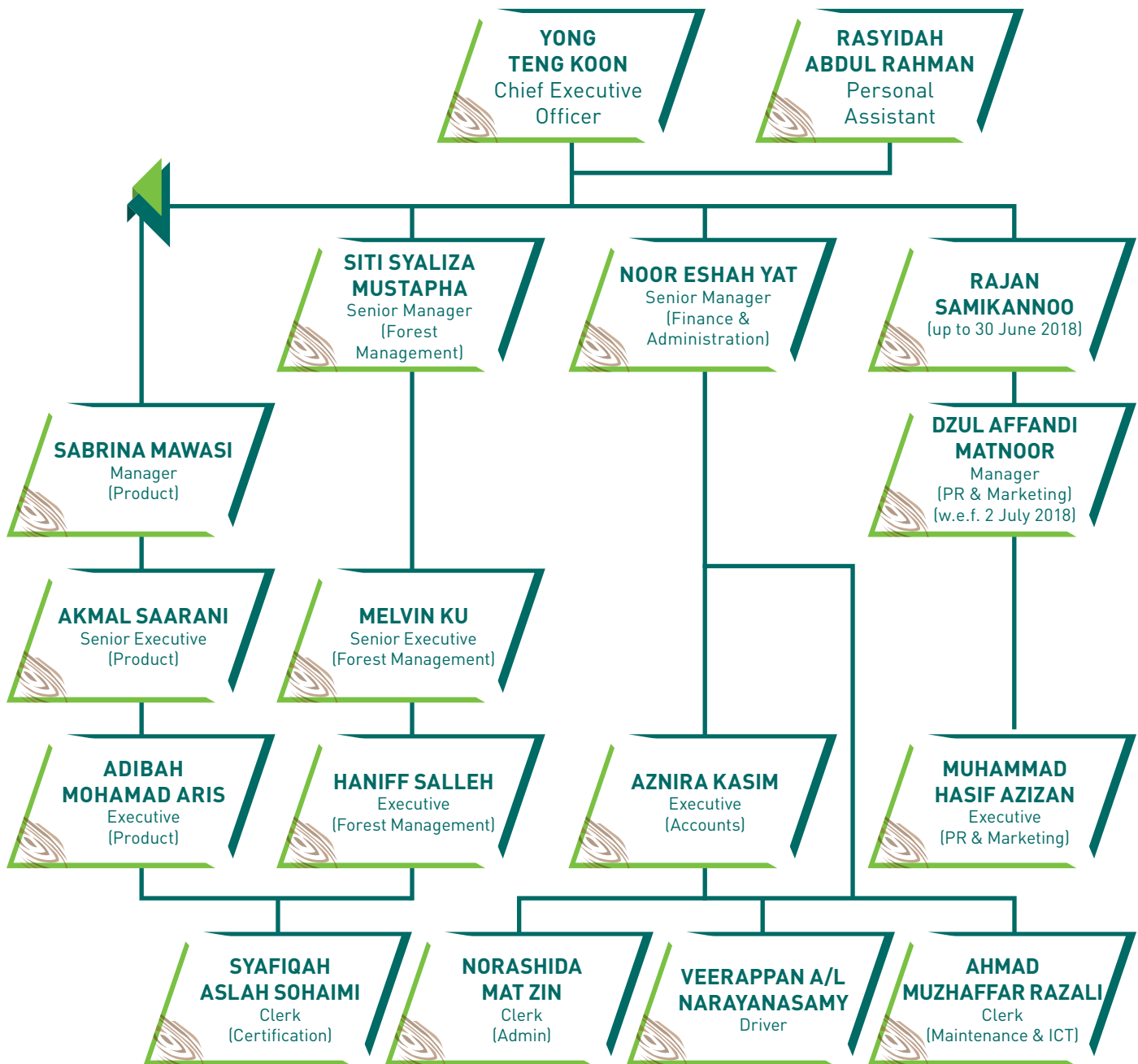
Seventy-Eighth Meeting  
13 December, Kuala Lumpur



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# MANAGEMENT TEAM AND SUPPORT STAFF



## **Standing left to right:**

Muhammad Hasif Azizan, Aznira Kasim, Melvin Ku, Syafiqah Aslah Sohaimi, Haniff Salleh, Adibah Mohamad Aris, Akmal Saarani, Norashida Mat Zin, Ahmad Muzhaffar Razali, Rasyidah Abdul Rahman, Veerapan Narayanasamy

## **Sitting left to right:**

Sabrina Mawasi, Noor Eshah Yat, Yong Teng Koon, Siti Syaliza Mustapha, Dzul Affandi Matnoor



# INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

The Investment Committee is responsible for the formulation of policies and procedures on matters related to establishment and management of the Endowment Fund. The Committee oversees the overall implementation

of MTCC's investment policies. The Investment Committee met once on 18 April 2018 to discuss on the investment of MTCC's endowment fund.

Fifteenth Meeting of the Investment Committee



Members of the Investment Committee

## Members of the Investment Committee

**Datuk Himmat Singh**  
Chairman (up to 15 May 2018)

**Datuk K. Yogeesvaran**  
Chairman (w.e.f. 27 July 2018)

**Wan Saifulikhmal Wan Abdul Rahman**  
Ministry of Primary Industries

**Sharifah Wahaida Lailatul Syed Hassan Sagaff**  
Ministry of Finance (w.e.f. 15 March 2018)

**Yong Teng Koon**  
CEO, MTCC

Members of the Dispute Resolution Committee



## DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

An independent six-member Dispute Resolution Committee (DRC) appointed by MTCC Board deals with any dispute submitted to MTCC related to its role as the NGB.

### Members of the Dispute Resolution Committee

- Tan Sri Dato' Seri Dr. Salleh Mohd Nor (Chairman)
- Datuk Eric Usip Juin
- Dato' Dr. Baharuddin Hj. Ghazali
- Dato' Shahrudin Mohamad Ismail
- Dr. Ramy Bulan
- Chew Lye Teng

#### From left:

Dato' Shahrudin Mohamad Ismail,  
Tan Sri Dato' Seri Dr. Salleh Mohd Nor,  
Dato' Dr. Baharuddin Hj. Ghazali,  
Chew Lye Teng

#### Absent from picture:

Datuk Eric Usip Juin, Dr. Ramy Bulan



## IN-HOUSE INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

The In-House Investment Committee monitors the implementation of the decisions of the Investment Committee, as well as formulates recommendations on investment for the consideration and decision of the Investment Committee.

### MEMBERS OF THE IN-HOUSE INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

- Yong Teng Koon (Chairman)
- Rajan Samikannoo (up to 30 June 2018)
- Sabrina Mawasi (w.e.f. 1 July 2018)
- Siti Syaliza Mustapha
- Noor Eshah Yat (Secretary)

## NOTIFICATION COMMITTEE

The Notification Committee, which is responsible for the notification of certification bodies (CBs) and issuance of logo usage licences to certificate holders under the MTCS, met ten times in 2018 as follows:

78th Meeting on 16 January	79th Meeting on 16 March
80th Meeting on 20 April	81st Meeting on 28 May
82nd Meeting on 3 August	83rd Meeting on 7 August
84th Meeting on 13 September	85th Meeting on 1 November
86th Meeting on 7 November	87th Meeting on 10 December

### MEMBERS OF THE NOTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Yong Teng Koon (Chairman)  
Rajan Samikannoo (up to 30 June 2018)  
Siti Syaliza Mustapha  
Sabrina Mawasi (w.e.f. 1 July 2018)

## COMPANY SECRETARY

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# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Nineteenth Annual General Meeting was held on 13 September in Kuala Lumpur during which the Audited Accounts for the Financial Year ended 31 December 2017, Reports of the Trustees and Auditors, and the Annual Report for the Year 2017, were tabled and adopted by the Members.

The 19th Annual General Meeting in progress





A portrait of Datuk K. Yogeessvaran, a middle-aged man with glasses, wearing a dark suit, white shirt, and a patterned tie. He is standing in front of a wooden wall with a geometric pattern. The image is partially overlaid by green and teal geometric shapes in the bottom right corner.

*Yogeessvaran*

**DATUK K.  
YOGEESSVARAN**

Chairman  
8 July 2019

# CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT



On behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Malaysian Timber Certification Council (MTCC), I am pleased to present the Annual Report and the Audited Accounts of the Council for the financial year ending 31 December 2018.

The Year 2018 has been a significant year with new experiences for both Malaysia and MTCC. The Year saw for the first time in 60 years the formation of a new Government coalition in Pakatan Harapan after the Fourteenth General Election and consequently the appointment of YB Puan Teresa Kok and YB Datuk Seri Shamsul Iskandar Haji Mohd Akin on 2 July as the Minister and Deputy Minister of Primary Industries respectively. MTCC was privileged to brief both the Minister and Deputy Minister on the role and functions of the MTCC and the operation of the Malaysian Timber Certification Scheme (MTCS) at the Ministry of Primary Industries (MPI) on 17 July. MTCC looks forward to working closely with both of them to advance Malaysia's aspirations and goals for sustainable forest management and certification.

MTCC also wishes to place on record our appreciation to Datuk Seri Mah Siew Keong and Datuk Datu Nasrun Datu Mansur for their strong support of our work during their tenure as the Minister and Deputy Minister of Plantation Industries and Commodities.

In 2018, it was heartening for me to note a significant increase of six (6) new forest management units (FMUs) certified under the MTCS. It was even more heartening that all these FMUs were from Sabah and Sarawak, with Sarawak coming up top with five (5) FMUs and the remaining one in Sabah. To me this is an exciting development as the uptake for forest certification has always been in the Peninsula since the operation of the MTCS in 2001. The above development signals the growing interest and greater acceptance of forest certification in Sabah and Sarawak which augers well with the growing demand for certified sustainable timber products by the international markets. In this connection, MTCC would like to congratulate the State Government of Sarawak for taking a very bold step in 2018, mandating all long-term timber licence areas to obtain forest certification latest by 2022. Without a doubt, the mandate of the Sarawak State Government is the single contributing factor that has resulted in the increase of number of certified FMUs in Sarawak.

I am also happy to note a significant increase in the export of MTCS-certified timber products from 237,792.60 m3 in 2017 to 348,801.57 m3 in 2018, an increase of 46.6%.

One significant event conducted by MTCC was the MTCC Strategic Planning Workshop held on 22-24 October in Port Dickson. The Workshop was attended by members of the MTCC Board and key stakeholders who have been involved in the MTCS processes, comprising of representatives from the social and environmental non-government organisations, workers' unions, timber trade associations and relevant government agencies. The primary aim of the workshop was to exchange views and obtain feedback from the key stakeholders that will feed into planning and charting the future directions of MTCC, including the review of its Vision and Mission, noting that MTCC will enter into its 20th year of operation in 2019.

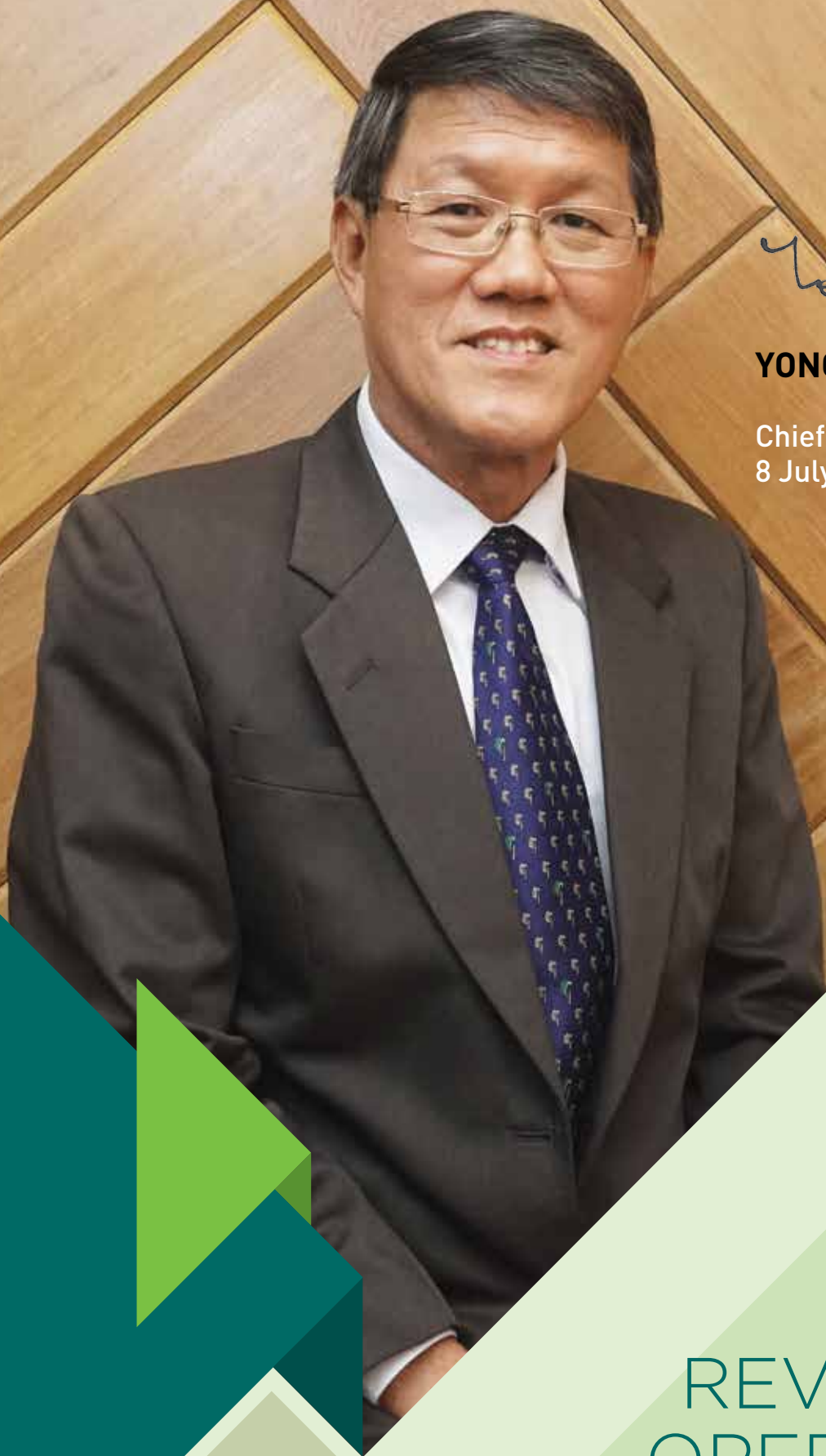
One other significant event facilitated by MTCC was the meeting between YB Minister and the Chairman of PEFC International, Mr. Peter Latham on 18 October. The meeting provided the forum for Mr. Latham to brief the Minister on the latest international developments related to certification and exchange views on forestry related matters.

In 2018, besides the routine work of monitoring forest management and chain of custody certification, and conducting various activities to promote the MTCS, MTCC has resumed the review of the MC&I (Natural Forest) standard and participated actively in both regional and international forums related to forest certification in particular PEFC related activities. MTCC has also contributed towards the adoption of the PEFC SFM standard by the PEFC General Assembly in November.

My congratulations to the MTCC management team and supporting staff for their dedication and hard work for the above achievements and the continued international recognition and acceptance of the MTCS.

In conclusion, I would like to appreciate my predecessor Datuk Himmat Singh for his dedication and significant contributions to the organisation during his 2-year tenure as the Chairman of the MTCC Board. I would also like to place on record my appreciation to YB Puan Teresa Kok for the trust given in appointing me as the new Chairman with effect from 27 July 2018.





**YONG TENG KOON**

Chief Executive Officer  
8 July 2019

# REVIEW OF OPERATIONS



The extent of certified forests under the MTCS increased from 4.12 million hectares in 2017 to 4.59 million hectares in 2018. The increase was attributed to the addition of six new forest management units (FMUs), bringing the total number of FMUs to 15, in addition to the six existing certified forest plantation management units (FPMUs). The year saw MTCC resume the review of the MC&I (Natural Forest) standard in July following a one-year break to be in tune with the timelines of the review of the PEFC SFM standard.

For chain of custody certification (CoC), a total of 39 new certificates were issued in 2018. However, as a result of the withdrawal and expiry of 35 certificates and the suspension of one certificate, the net increase was only three certificates. The total number of CoC certificate holders as of December 2018 stands at 360.

In terms of export, the export volume of timber products certified under the MTCS showed a significant increase of 46.6% from 237,793 m<sup>3</sup> in 2017 to 348,801 m<sup>3</sup> in 2018. The Netherlands still led in terms of market share, despite decreasing from 36.4% in 2017 to 20.82% in 2018, followed by Denmark at 18.22% and the United Kingdom at 13.79%. Brunei and East Africa became the latest two new destinations for the MTCS-certified timber products in 2018.

In terms of promotional activities, MTCC conducted the second edition of the MTCC Photography Contest entitled "Experience Forest Experience MTCS-PEFC" which resulted in the submission of a total of 990 entries with scenic pictures covering the social, economic and environmental aspects of Malaysia's tropical forest. The contest included a new short video category to showcase the power of videography to spark human emotion and connection to forests. The photographs of the winners were exhibited at the Kuala Lumpur Photography Festival (KLPHF) held on 26-28 October. Other promotional activities included participation in selected exhibitions to promote the MTCS as a credible mark for sustainable wood products both domestically and internationally.

As the MTCS is a PEFC-endorsed scheme, MTCC participated actively in relevant PEFC activities and was involved in the PEFC Working Groups on standard review for both forest management and chain of custody certification, PEFC Members Meeting as well as the PEFC Forest Certification Week and General Assembly. MTCC's participation is important to ensure that the voice

of developing tropical countries is heard, the interest of the MTCS is safeguarded and the MTCS continues to meet international benchmarks of sustainability.

Noting that the sustainability of the future lies in the hands of the future generations, MTCC has been intentional in the conduct of our awareness activities to reach out to the university students. In this regard, the MTCC Academic Award presented to three undergraduates from two local universities, i.e. Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) and Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) was aimed at promoting academic excellence and inculcating a love for forest among university students while strengthening our engagement with the academic institutions. The Education Talk to the architectural students at Tunku Abdul Rahman University College (TARUC) and UPM was aimed at encouraging the budding architects to appreciate wood and to embrace sustainability in their designs by prescribing the use of certified timber. This is in addition to the various technical trainings conducted throughout the year for auditors, companies as well as government agencies.

MTCC is grateful for the continued cooperation and support from the forest managers, timber companies, certification bodies, accreditation body, the forestry and timber-related agencies and representatives of the environmental, social and economic stakeholder groups in Sabah, Sarawak and Peninsular Malaysia towards its activities and initiatives in 2018, in particular the review of the MC&I(Natural Forest). MTCC looks forward to continue working with all parties concerned to achieve the common objective of sustainably managing our forest resources.

I am grateful to the Chairman and Board of Trustees, as well as the Members of MTCC, for their continued guidance and support. In this regard, I would like to express my deepest appreciation to Datuk Himmat Singh for his leadership, wise counsel and guidance during his two-year tenure as the MTCC Chairman from 16 May 2016 to 15 May 2018. I would also like to extend a warm welcome to Datuk K. Yogeessvaran, the new Chairman of MTCC. I look forward to working closely with him to advance the national sustainability agenda through the MTCS.

Last but not least, my sincere appreciation to the MTCC team for their commitment and hard work in making 2018 an eventful year for MTCC.







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# **OPERATIONS**



### NATURAL FOREST

In Peninsular Malaysia, five forest management units (FMUs) maintained their certification after undergoing successful surveillance audits against the requirements of the MC&I(Natural Forest) in 2018. These were the FMUs for the states of Kedah, Pahang, Perak, Selangor and Terengganu. The Negeri Sembilan FMU renewed its certification on 28 December 2018 after undergoing a successful recertification audit conducted by SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.

In Sarawak, five new certificates were awarded in 2018 as follows:

- i) Ravenscourt Sdn. Bhd. (Ravenscourt FMU) on 4 June,
- ii) Tanjong Manis Holdings Sdn. Bhd. (Kapit FMU) on 11 June,
- iii) Shin Yang Trading Sdn. Bhd. (Linau FMU) on 16 July,
- iv) Syarikat Samling Timber Sdn. Bhd. (Ulu Trusan FMU) on 19 December and
- v) Jaya Tiasa Holding Sdn. Bhd. (Bahau Kahei FMU) on 19 December.

Additionally, Anap Muput FMU maintained its certification after undergoing a successful surveillance audit.

In Sabah, a new certificate was awarded to Sapulut Forest Development Sdn. Bhd. (FMU14) on 11 June 2018. KTS Plantation Sdn. Bhd. (FMU 19B) renewed its certificate on 2 December after a successful recertification audit, while Bornion Timber Sdn. Bhd. (FMU 11) maintained its certification following a successful surveillance audit.

In total, 15 FMUs covering 4,491,269.84 ha of natural forest have been certified under the MTCS as of 31 December 2018 (**Table 1**).

### FOREST PLANTATION

For certification of forest plantation management unit (FPMU), six FPMUs, namely Bornion Timber, Segan, Masama, Penyuan, Kejin Long Lama and Lana FPMU maintained their certification following successful surveillance audits against the requirement of the MC&I Forest Plantation.v2 in 2018. However, Shin Yang Plywood Sdn Bhd (Kuala Baram FPMU) had decided to withdraw and discontinue its certification on 5 October 2018. The total extent of certified forest plantations amounts to 101,030 ha (**Table 2**).





Table 1: Details of PEFC-Certified FMUs

## NATURAL FOREST

NO	FMU	CERTIFICATION BODY	CERTIFICATE NUMBER	VALIDITY OF CERTIFICATE	AREA (ha)
1	Kedah	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FMC 0003	1 June 2016 to 31 May 2019	334,983.00
2	Negeri Sembilan	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FMC 0002	28 Dec 2018 to 27 Dec 2023	155,649.56
3	Pahang	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FMC 0008	1 June 2016 to 31 May 2019	1,504,407.35
4	Perak	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FMC 0004	1 June 2016 to 31 May 2019	998,306.02
5	Selangor	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FMC 0007	1 June 2016 to 31 May 2019	238,748.83
6	Terengganu	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FMC 00115	10 March 2017 to 31 March 2019	544,936.58
7	Segaliud Lokan (FMU 19B)	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FMC-NF 00001	2 Dec 2018 to 1 Dec 2023	57,247.00
8	Bornion Timber (FMU 11)	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FMC 0009	21 Oct 2016 to 24 July 2019	40,645.50
9	Sapulut Forest (FMU 14)	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FMC-NF 00117	11 June 2018 to 10 June 2021	54,643.00
10	Anap Muput	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FMC 0006	25 July 2016 to 24 July 2019	83,535.00
11	Ravenscourt	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FMC-NF 00116	4 June 2018 to 3 June 2021	117,941.00
12	Kapit	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FMC-NF 00118	11 June 2018 to 10 June 2021	149,756.00
13	Linau	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FMC-NF 00119	16 July 2018 to 15 July 2021	72,685.00
14	Ulu Trusan	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FMC-NF 00120	19 Dec 2018 to 18 Dec 2023	92,751.00
15	Bahau Kahei	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FMC-NF 00121	19 Dec 2018 to 18 Dec 2023	45,035.00

Total: 4,491,269.84



Table 2: Details of PEFC-Certified FPMUs

## FOREST PLANTATION

NO	FMU	CERTIFICATION BODY	CERTIFICATE NUMBER	VALIDITY OF CERTIFICATE	AREA (ha)
1	Bornion Timber (FPMU 11)	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FMC 00113	13 Jan 2017 to 12 Jan 2020	25,536.71
2	Segan (LPF/0014)	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FPMC 0002	18 July 2017 to 17 July 2020	10,800.00
3	Masama (LPF/0019)	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FPMC 0003	12 Aug 2016 to 11 Aug 2019	11,946.00
4	Penyuan (LPF/0018)	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FPMC 0004	21 Oct 2016 to 20 Oct 2019	15,261.00
5	Kejin Long Lama (LPF/0017)	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FMC 00114	3 Feb 2017 to 2 Feb 2020	28,093.35
6	Lana (LPF/0006)	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	FMC 00116	12 May 2017 to 11 May 2020	9,393.00

Total: 101,030.06

Grand Total: 4,592,299.90

## CHAIN OF CUSTODY CERTIFICATION

A total of 39 companies were awarded the PEFC *Certificate for Chain of Custody* (CoC) by five PEFC-notified CBs as shown in **Table 3**.

Table 3: Summary of Issuance of PEFC CoC Certificates

NO	CERTIFICATION BODY	NUMBER OF CERTIFICATE ISSUED
1	PSV-Platinum Shauffmantz Veritas	18
2	SSGS (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.	11
3	SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	4
4	Intertek Certification International Sdn. Bhd.	4
5	Bureau Veritas Certification (M) Sdn. Bhd.	2

Total: 39

However, the year also saw the withdrawal and expiry of 35 certificates and the suspension of one certificate. As a result, the net increase in the number of PEFC CoC certificate holders for the year was only three, and the

total number of PEFC CoC certificate holders as at 31 December stands at 360. The full list of PEFC CoC certificate holders is available on the PEFC website at <https://www.pefc.org/find-certified>.



# NOTIFICATION OF CERTIFICATION BODIES

No new application was received for the year and the total number of PEFC-notified CBs operating forest management certification and CoC certification remained at one and sixteen respectively (**Table 4**).

**Table 4: PEFC-notified CBs under the MTCS**

TYPE OF CERTIFICATION	PEFC-NOTIFIED CB	NOTIFICATION DATE
Forest Management Certification	1. SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	10 December 2009
CoC Certification	1. SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.	2 September 2009
	2. Japan Gas Appliances Inspection Association	2 October 2009
	3. SGS South Africa Pty Ltd - Qualifor Programme	2 October 2009
	4. SGS (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.	24 December 2009
	5. Intertek Certification International Sdn. Bhd.	20 August 2010
	6. Scientific Certification Systems	20 August 2010
	7. Exova BM Trada	14 September 2012
	8. Holz und Wald Zertifizierungsgesellschaft GmbH	14 September 2012
	9. Bureau Veritas Certification France	17 May 2013
	10. Bureau Veritas Sverige AB	6 September 2013
	11. Bureau Veritas Certification (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.	26 March 2015
	12. Control Union Certifications B.V.	16 October 2015
	13. NEPCon OÜ (Estonia)	25 November 2015
	14. DQS CFS GmbH	24 June 2016
	15. Platinum Shauffmantz Veritas Sdn. Bhd.	4 July 2017
	16. SGS Société Générale de Surveillance SA	11 July 2017





# NOTIFICATION FEE

The Notification Fee for Forest Management and Chain of Custody Certification as approved by the 58th Meeting of Board of Trustees is as shown in **Table 5**.

**Table 5: Notification Fee for Forest Management and Chain of Custody Certification**

NOTIFICATION CATEGORY	SUBSET	ANNUAL FEE (RM)
A. Forest Management Certificate	Natural Forest and Forest Plantations	0.018 per ha of certified forest
B. CoC Certificate	Based on annual total turnover (RM):	
	Up to 5 Million	300.00
	Over 5 Million and up to 20 Million	500.00
	Over 20 Million and up to 50 Million	750.00
	Over 50 Million and up to 100 Million	1,000.00
	Over 100 Million	2,000.00

The total amount of notification fee collected for the year 2018 amounted to RM 145,590.00.





# EXPORT OF TIMBER PRODUCTS CERTIFIED UNDER THE MTCS

The export of timber products certified under the MTCS had increased significantly by 46.6% from 237,792.60 m<sup>3</sup> in 2017 to 348,801.57 m<sup>3</sup> in 2018.

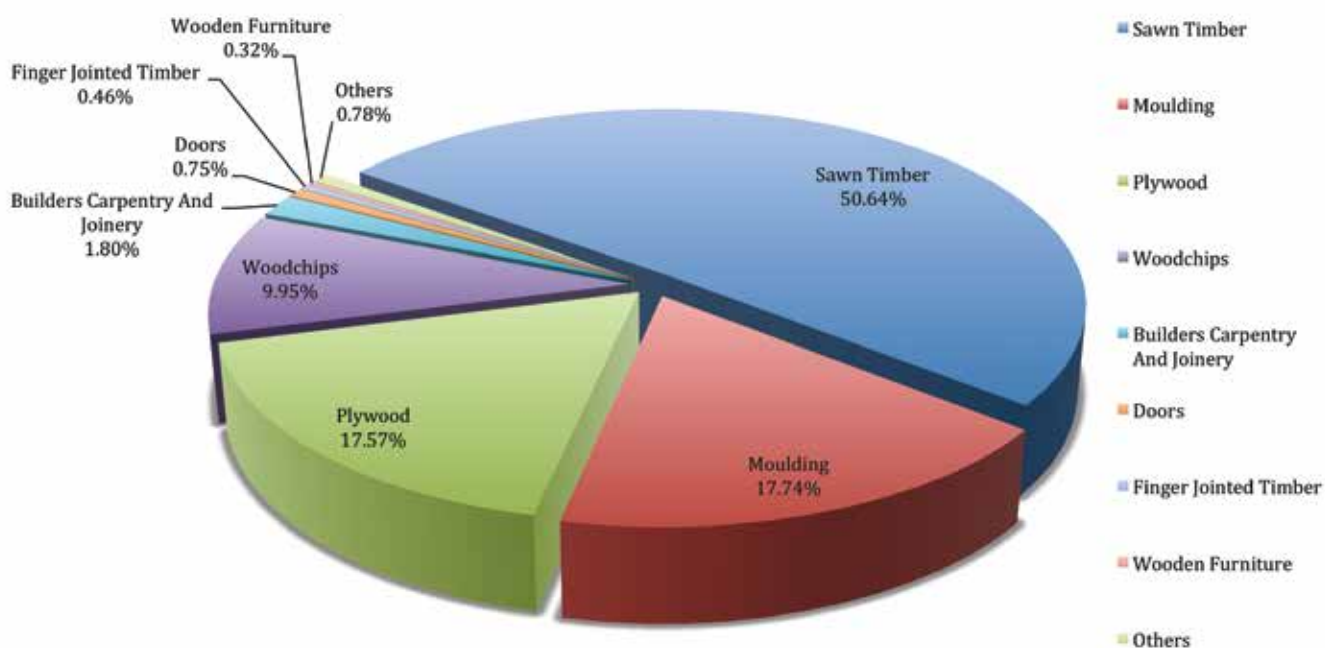
Sawn timber was the major product exported, with the overall export grew from 49.67% in 2017 to 50.64% in 2018, followed by moulding products accounting for 17.74% and plywood 17.57% (Figures 1 and 2).

The Netherlands continued to be the major importing country of the MTCS-certified timber and timber products

followed by Denmark and the United Kingdom accounting for 20.82%, 18.22% and 13.79% respectively of the total export in 2018. Brunei and East Africa were two latest destinations, bringing the total number of countries importing MTCS-certified timber products to 66 since the operation of the MTCS in 2001 (Figures 3 and 4).

The export performance in 2018 brings the cumulative export of MTCS-certified timber products to 1,959,052.82 m<sup>3</sup> (Figure 5).

Figure 1: Export of timber products certified under MTCS by product type, 2018



Others: Paper, Veneer, Laminated Scantling, Furniture, Timber Flooring, Sleepers, Sawlogs, Fibreboard

Total Volume : 348,801.57 m<sup>3</sup>



Figure 2: Export of timber products certified under MTCS by product type, 2017

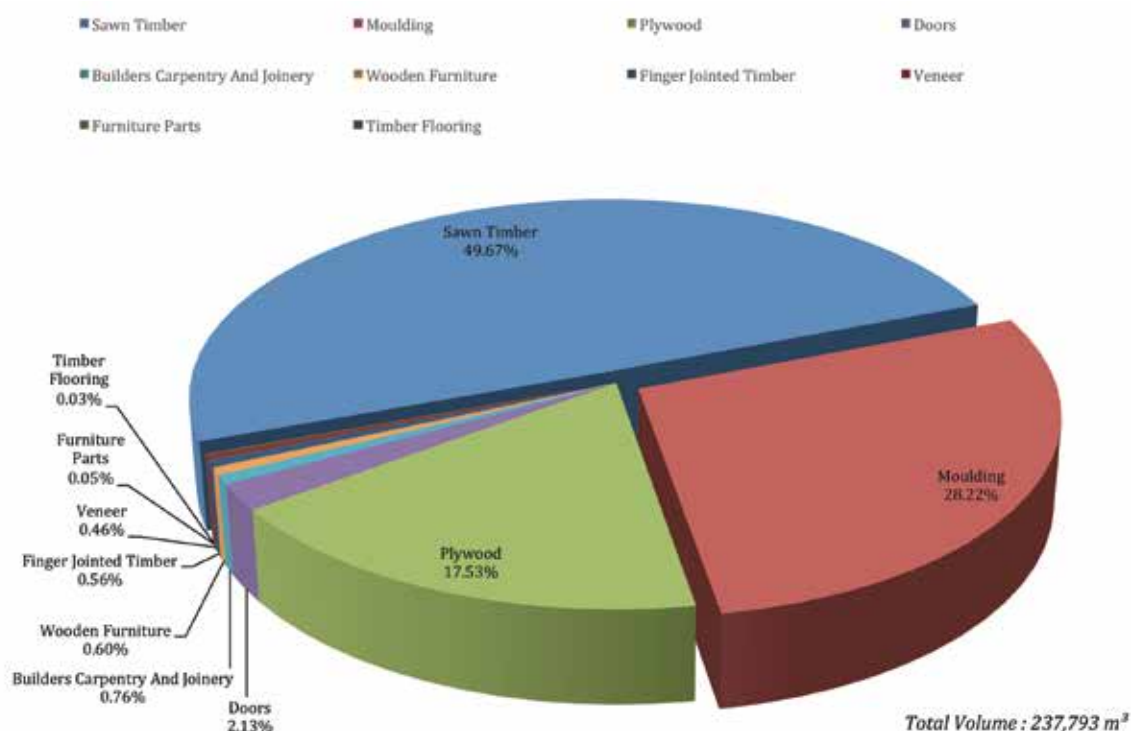


Figure 3: Export of timber products certified under MTCS by destination, 2018

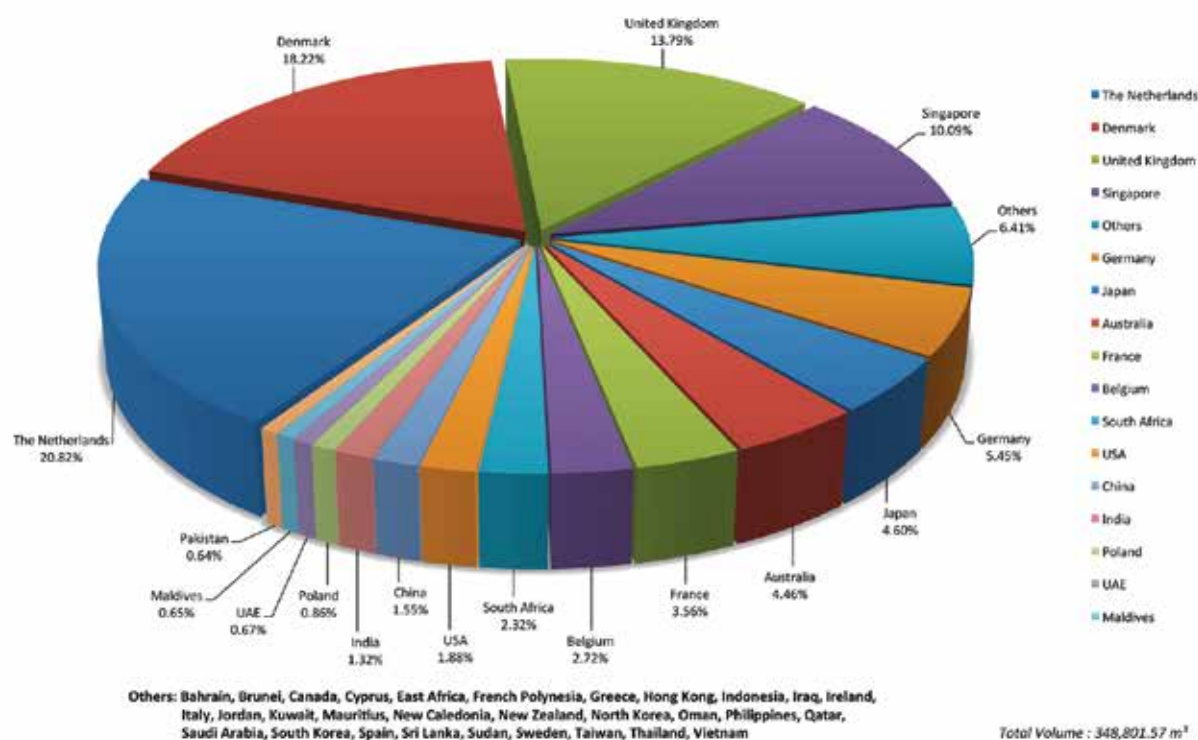




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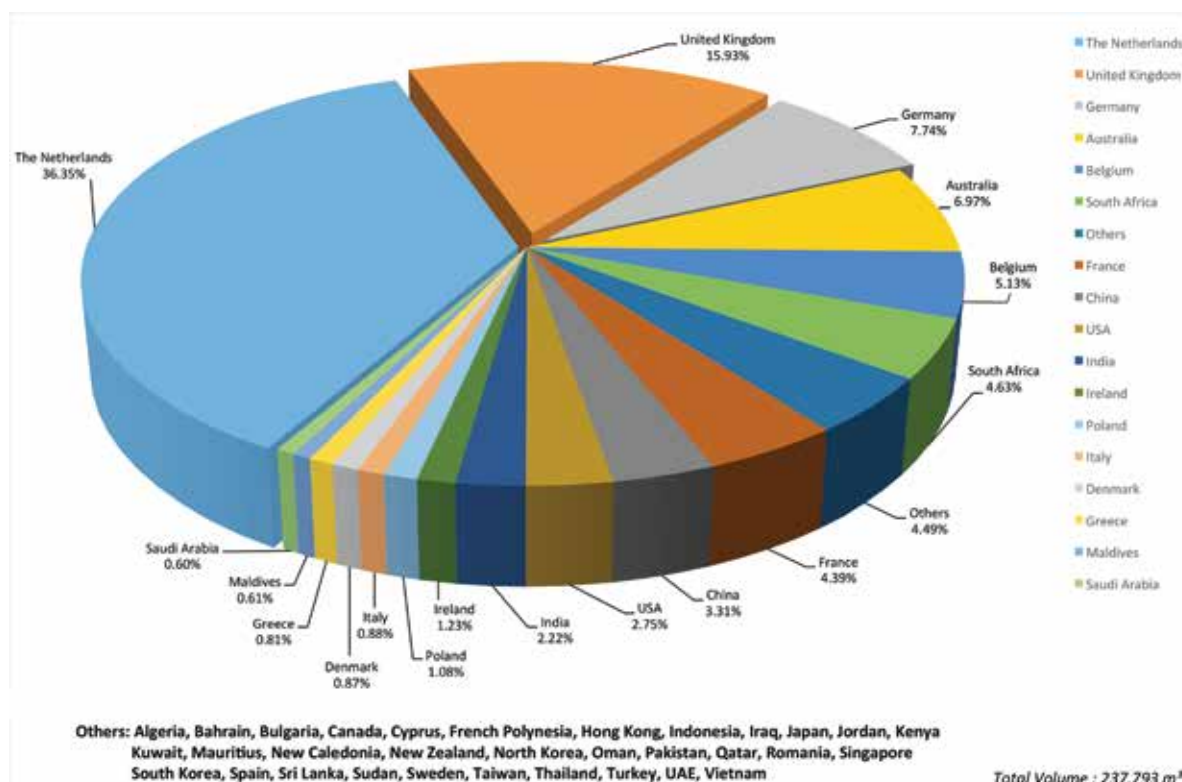


Figure 5: Export of timber products certified under MTCS, July 2002 – December 2018









# CERTIFICATION STANDARDS

## Review of MC&I(Natural Forest)

The 75th Meeting of the MTCC Board of Trustees held on 6 March 2018 agreed to resume the review of the *Malaysian Criteria and Indicators for Forest Management Certification (Natural Forest)* or MC&I(Natural Forest) which had been put on hold in 2017. The decision was made taking into consideration the review of the PEFC sustainability benchmark is expected to be completed by the end of 2018.

Following the above decision, the Third Meeting of the Standards Review Committee (SRC) was held from 17-18 July 2018 in Port Dickson, Negeri Sembilan. The Meeting continued deliberation on the working draft that has streamlined the requirements of the MC&I(Natural Forest) and MC&I Forest Plantation.v2 into a single document.

The Meeting also deliberated on the proposal to restructure the standard based on three possible options:

- i) To restructure the standard according to the ISO High Level Standard, or
- ii) To maintain the existing structure with updated requirements, or
- iii) To maintain the structure and incorporate Principle 10 of the MC&I Forest Plantation.v2 into the relevant Criteria and Indicators of Principle 1 to 9 of the streamlined standard.

Following deliberation, the Meeting agreed to maintain the existing structure while exploring the feasibility of incorporating the requirements of Principle 10 into the relevant Criteria and Indicators of Principles 1 to 9 for forest plantations.

Participants of Third Meeting of the SRC





# TRAINING ON THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE MTCS

Participants of the auditor training course in Kuantan



## 1. Auditor Training Course on Forest Management Certification

MTCC conducted two auditor training courses covering MC&I(Natural Forest) and MC&I Forest Plantation.v2 on 9 – 12 July in Kuantan, Pahang and on 3 – 7 September in Lawas, Sarawak. The training course aimed to equip potential auditors with the necessary knowledge and skills to conduct forest management certification audit, as well as to fulfill the competency requirements for accreditation by STANDARDS MALAYSIA.

The four-day auditor training course held in Kuantan was conducted in collaboration with the Forestry Department Peninsular Malaysia (FDPM) and attended by a total of 19 participants from Certification Bodies, FDPM, Forest Department Sarawak and WWF-Malaysia. The field audit training was conducted at Lepar Forest Reserve, Pahang FMU.

Checking Tree Tagging Record at the Lepar B Forest Checking Station



Briefing by Wan Mohd Yassim, Assistant District Forest Officer, Kuantan / Pekan / Maran District Forest Office





On the other hand, the five-day auditor training course in Lawas was attended by 21 participants from the Forest Department Sarawak (FDS), Samling Timber Sdn. Bhd. (Samling) and STANDARDS MALAYSIA. With the assistance from FDS and Samling, the field audit training was conducted at the MTCS-certified Ravenscourt FMU, managed by Ravenscourt Sdn. Bhd.

Participants of the training course



Participants conducting the field audit exercise



## 2. Peer Reviewer Training

Peer reviewers are independent experts appointed to review forest management certification audit reports prepared by the certification bodies to ensure that the audit has been conducted professionally and in compliance with the requirements of the certification standard.

A one-day peer reviewer training on the MTCS was conducted on 8 November at the MTCC office to familiarise potential peer reviewers on the requirements of MC&I(Natural Forest) and MC&I Forest Plantation. v2 standards. A total of seven participants attended the training which was conducted by MTCC Senior Manager (Forest Management), Siti Syaliza.

Training in progress



Group photo of the attendees





Participants of the field audit training in Kapit FMU



### 3. Capacity Building Training Course

In addition to conducting requisite training courses, MTCC also collaborates with relevant agencies and organisations on capacity building programmes for their employees and contractors. Two training courses were conducted in Sarawak in support of the commitment by the State Government to achieve full certification by 2022.

In collaboration with Sarawak Forestry Corporation (SFC), a five-day training course was conducted from 29 October to 2 November in Sibul, Sarawak. A total of 45 participants from SFC and FMU Licence Holders attended the course which included a one-day field audit training held at the Kapit FMU, an MTCS-certified FMU since 2018.

A two-day training course on forest management certification was also conducted from 29 to 30 October in Kuching for 33 participants from Sarawak Timber Industry Development Corporation (STIDC) and FMU Licence Holders.

Participants of the training course in Sibul



Group photo of the participants



A participant presenting his group assignment





## 4. Auditor Training Course on PEFC Chain of Custody Certification

MTCC organised a two-day Auditor Training Course on PEFC Chain of Custody (CoC) Certification under the MTCS on 19 to 20 December in Kuala Lumpur.

The course was conducted to train new CoC auditors so that they are familiar with the requirements of the PEFC ST 2002:2013 Chain of Custody of Forest Based Products – Requirements. The course was conducted to fulfill the

training requirement for auditors as stipulated in para 6.1.1.2.2 of the PEFC ST 2003:2012 Requirements for Certification Bodies operating Certification against the PEFC International Chain of Custody Standard document. Six participants from three Certification Bodies and two participants from STANDARDS MALAYSIA attended the training course.

The training was conducted by MTCC Manager (Product), Sabrina Mawasi.

Training in progress



Group picture of participants



## 5. Briefing on Chain of Custody Certification

MTCC conducted chain of custody briefings to three CoC certificate holders at their facilities. The briefing for Tandem Holdings Sdn. Bhd., Setia-Wood Industries Sdn. Bhd. and Robin Resources Sdn. Bhd. focused on the implementation of the due diligence system (DDS) as stipulated under the PEFC ST 2002:2013 standard.

To encourage more timber companies to embrace certification, MTCC also conducted briefings for non-CoC certificate holders i.e. Gayador Sdn. Bhd., Gaya Murni Sdn. Bhd. and MUKK. These briefings were requested by the companies to provide their staff with a better understanding and familiarisation with the requirements of the PEFC ST 2002:2013 standard.

Sabrina conducting the briefing





## Qualified Trainer Programme under PEFC

The PEFC Qualified Trainer Programme (QTP) is a programme to enable PEFC National Governing Body Members to become qualified trainers for conducting national PEFC Chain of Custody Auditor Training recognised by PEFC International at the national level. The programme also aims to ensure the harmonization of training in terms of quality and content as well as helps to bring all members to the same level of knowledge.

Upon her successful completion of the PEFC QTP MTCC Manager (Product), Sabrina Mawasi was awarded with a certificate on 15 November 2018 that qualifies her to conduct PEFC Chain of Custody auditor training recognised by PEFC at both national and international levels.

As part of the capacity building programme, MTCC Senior Executive (Product), Akmal Saarani participated in the PEFC QTP programme conducted in Geneva on 23-24 April. Akmal is scheduled to complete his programme in 2019 and is required to participate in two field audits of CoC certification.















**PROMOTION**



# NATURE ENTHUSIASTS SHOWCASING ARTISTIC SKILL AT MTCC PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST 2018

Bearing the theme "Experience Forest, Experience MTCS-PEFC", the second edition of MTCC Photography Contest garnered a total submission of 990 photographs and 12 short videos from 133 participants with a good mix of entries from Sabah, Sarawak and Peninsular Malaysia.

Besides the original three categories: (i) Forest and People, (ii) Forest and Forest Landscapes, and (iii) Forest and Animals, the MTCC Photography Contest 2018 also included a brand new short video category in recognition of the power of videography to spark human emotion and connection to forests.

MTCC CEO presenting a cash prize of RM2,000 to the grand prize winner Mohd Samsi bin Sumairi



MTCC hopes that through this platform and the lenses of nature enthusiasts, the photographs produced and later displayed at the 2018 Kuala Lumpur Photography Festival (KLPF) will enable both the photographers and general public to see forests in a different way, to better appreciate the many roles and functions of forests, and to have an increased awareness on how forest can be sustainably managed and contribute to our national sustainability agenda.

The grand prize-winning photo entitled GERMINATION



Visitors admiring the winning entries



Winners of the 2018 MTCC Photography Contest





# INDUSTRIAL TALK

Believing in the crucial role of architects in specifying the use of wood in designing and constructing building, MTCC in collaboration with Ar. Azman Zainal conducted a talk with members of the Malaysian Institute of Architects (PAM) under their Continuing Professional Development programme on how the use of “good wood” in built structures could provide benefits to personal well-being, society and the environment.

The talk given on 17 November was attended by 78 PAM members. Besides sharing the roles and function of

the MTCC and the operation of the MTCS, MTCC Senior Manager, Siti Syaliza also highlighted the practices of sustainable forest management that are designed to ensure sustainable utilization, the need for community development and worker’s safety as well as wildlife and environmental protection. Ar. Azman, on the other hand, shared his experience of applying timber in architecture as a structural material rather than a mere external application explaining that timber makes a better material from a health perspective, for personal well-being and wellness while exuding aesthetical beauty.

Siti Syaliza briefing the participants on MTCC and the operation of MTCS



Ar. Azman delivering his presentation entitled “Wood for Wellbeing and Wellness”





MTCC conducted two education talks with the theme “Designing the Future with Sustainable Timber” in collaboration with the Faculty of Built Environment, Tunku Abdul Rahman University College (TAR UC) and the Faculty of Design and Architecture, Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) in 2018. Both talks attracted the participation of more than 130 architectural students.

The half-day education talk which comprised two presentations was aimed at encouraging the budding architects to appreciate wood and to embrace sustainability in their designs by prescribing the use of certified timber. It was also aimed at inspiring the architectural students to do their bit for the environment by supporting the implementation of sustainable forest management through certification in Malaysia.

In both talks, the first presentation was made by MTCC CEO who provided an update on the MTCS, the implementation of which has made available the supply of MTCS-certified timber and timber products, both for export and local use. The second talk was presented by a local architect who is passionate in prescribing the use of timber in building design and construction. The talk in TAR UC was given by Ar. Ahmad Asmadi from Ahmad Asmadi Architecture. The talk at UPM was given by Ar. Azman Zainal Md Nor, an established home grown architect who has “walked the talk” by having built his own three-storey wooden house solely with recycled timber and without nails, as well as having involved in designing many other timber bungalows and renovations.

MTCC CEO giving an update on the MTCS



Ar. Ahmad Asmadi addressing the benefits of using timber in building construction to TAR UC students



The speakers with students and lecturers from the Faculty of Built Environment, TAR UC





The speakers with students and lecturers from Faculty of Design and Architecture, UPM



TAR UC students participated actively in the educational talk



Ar. Azman Zainal sharing his experience on building a wooden house with no nails



“ Timber is a renewable, versatile and aesthetically appealing building material that architects should capitalise on to design creative sustainable living solutions. Currently, wood has been used mainly as form works in construction. Through the education talk, we hope to spark the imagination of aspiring architects to use timber and in particular MTCS-certified timber beyond the form works stage, but as building material, be it for structure or interior decoration. In this age when the world is so concerned about the impact of climate change due to greenhouse gases (GHG) emission, the use of more wood in building would enable more carbon to be locked in the buildings throughout their life time. This would also contribute to our national effort to reduce GHG emission in line with our commitment made at the Paris Agreement. ” – MTCC CEO Yong Teng Koon

“ Wood is the most environmentally friendly material. It's easy to use and shape than cement. More importantly, it is also a healthier choice as wooden homes have been proven to contribute towards the wellness and well-being of people dwelling within. ” – Ar. Azman Zainal Md. Nor



## MTCC ACADEMIC AWARD

2018 marked the third year of MTCC's collaboration with Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) and Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) in organising the MTCC Academic Award. It is an effort to promote academic excellence and to inculcate a love for forests among university students. The Freezailah Forest Sustainability Award was presented to UMS students in honour of MTCC's founding Chairman Dato' Dr. Freezailah Che Yeom.

The Freezailah Forest Sustainability Award was won by Hoo Pui Kiat from the Faculty of Science and Natural Sources, UMS with his thesis entitled "*Comparison of Tree Diversity & Species Composition Across a Multi-Land Use and Tree Diversity-Carbon Relationship in GOM-UNDP-GEF Project, Luasong, Sabah.*" As for the MTCC Academic Award, Nur Kamaliah Eddy Marman and Muhammad Khairulddin Fadzil from the Faculty of Forestry, UPM were winners based on their thesis titled "*Dead Wood Characteristics Influencing Macrofungal Diversity in Fragmented Forest*" and "*Assessment on Soil Physico Chemical Properties of Secondary and Rehabilitated Forests in Universiti Putra Malaysia Bintulu, Sarawak*" respectively.

Muhammad Khairulddin Fadzil and Nurul Kamaliah Eddy Marman – the joyful recipients of the MTCC Academic Award from UPM



Hoo Pui Kiat presented with the Award by UMS Vice Chancellor, Professor Dato' Dr. D Kamaruddin D Mudin and witnessed by Dean of Faculty of Science and Natural Resources, Professor Dr. Baba Musta and MTCC CEO, Yong





# PUBLICITY PROGRAMMES / EXHIBITIONS

Perhimpunan Ketua Setiausaha Negara, 20 February, Putrajaya



MTCC participated in five local and four international fairs and exhibitions. Publicity brochures as well as information on the developments related to the MTCS were distributed at the fairs and exhibitions.

Export Furniture Expo,  
9 – 12 March, Kuala Lumpur



FENSTERBAU,  
21 – 24 March, Nuremberg, Germany



Environment Day 2018,  
5 June, Berlin, Germany



Green World Tour  
29 – 30 September, Berlin, Germany



International Greentech & Eco Products  
Exhibition & Conference Malaysia (IGEM),  
17 – 18 October, Kuala Lumpur



Kuala Lumpur Engineering & Science  
Fair 2018 (KLESF),  
2 – 4 November, Sri Kembangan



Window Days 8 – 9 November,  
Bad Wildungen, Germany



Malaysia Agriculture, Horticulture and Agrotourism Show 2018 (MAHA)  
22 November – 2 December 2018, Serdang



Minister of Primary Industries, YB Puan Teresa Kok and Deputy Minister, YB Datuk Seri Shamsul Iskandar Haji Mohd Akin visited MTCC booth at MAHA 2018





## PUBLICATIONS

MTCC issued the following articles, updates and press releases through its official website, social and local media in 2018.

TITLE	PUBLISHING DATE
Workshop to Identify Gaps and Opportunities in Implementing Forest Management Certification in Sarawak	8 February
MTCC Showcases Benefits of Timber Certification at EFE 2018	13 March
Celebrating International Day of Forest	21 March
Going Beyond Forest: PEFC to Open Certification to Farmers and Agroforestry – Give Your Feedback Now!	15 May
MTCC Photography Contest is Back for 2018 With a New Mobile Short Video Category	4 June
Ravenscourt FMU Awarded MTCS Certification	13 June
Sapulut FMU 14 & Kapit FMU Awarded MTCS Certification	26 June
MTCC Welcomes New PR and Marketing Manager	2 July
Congratulations to YB Teresa Kok on Her Appointment as Minister and YB Shamsul Iskandar Haji Mohd Akin as Deputy Minister of Primary Industries	4 July
Educational Talks for Architecture Students, TAR UC	18 July
Auditor Training Course on Forest Management Certification	25 July
Linau FMU Awarded MTCS Certification	26 July
Sapulut Forest Management Unit Obtains MTCS Certification	30 July
Datuk K. Yogeesvaran Appointed as MTCC Chairman	2 August
Talented Photographer Completes MTCC Photography Contest 2018 Judging Panel	3 September
Nineteenth Annual General Meeting of MTCC	18 September
Setia-Wood Obtains MTCS Certification	1 October
Invitation to Peer Reviewer Training on the MTCS, Kuala Lumpur 8 November 2018	10 October
MTCC Promotes Certified Timber for Green Economy at IGEM 2018	18 October
Inculcating Sustainability in Building Architects	30 October
Nature Enthusiasts Showcasing Artistic Skill at MTCC Photography Contest 2018	31 October
MTCC Sows Seed of Sustainability	12 November
MTCC Encourages Architects to Specify Certified Timber in Their Design	19 November
Thesis on Tree Diversity and Carbon Relationship Wins MTCC's Freezailah Forest Sustainability Award	26 November
MTCC Promotes Academic & Scholastic Excellence	4 December
Auditor Training Course on PEFC Chain of Custody Certification	21 December





# MEDIA INTERVIEW

MTCC CEO had a media interview with the Asian Timber magazine on 7 November on the role of MTCC and its contribution to sustainable forest management.

Following the interview Asian Timber carried an article titled "MTCC: Pinning on Certification for Sustainability" in its Interview column on November – December 2018 Issue.



Profiling interview with Yee Poh Timber Sdn. Bhd. by Focus Malaysia



Aside from that, MTCC had also arranged two profiling interviews with its CoC holders which were One Tech (M) Sdn. Bhd. on 28 September and Yee Poh Timber Sdn. Bhd. on 9 October, focusing on the companies' experiences and support for sustainable forest management in Malaysia.

Profiling interview with One Tech (M) Sdn. Bhd. by Utusan Malaysia



In 2018, a total of 266,935.34 PR value was generated through various PR initiatives. The positive contents successfully delivered MTCC's key message to its stakeholders in helping them to have a better understanding on the important role played by timber certification in the pursuit of sustainable forest management.

The following print, broadcast and online media published editorial and special feature reports on MTCC and the MTCS:

## Local Publication:

- Asian Timber
- Bernama News Channel (Broadcast)
- Bernama Radio
- Borneo Post
- China Press
- Focus Malaysia
- Harian Metro
- New Straits Times
- Nanyang Siang Pau
- Sin Chew Daily
- Sinar Harian
- Utusan Borneo
- Utusan Malaysia
- The Star

## International Publication:

- Timber & Forestry e-news

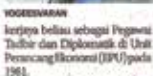
## Media Clippings





## MTCC lantik Pengerusi baharu

BEKAS Ketua Setiausaha Kementerian Perhutanan Perdana dan Koperasi, Datuk K. Yoganeswaran, telah dilantik sebagai Pengerusi Majlis Penilaian Perkhidmatan Malaysia (MTCC) berkuat kuasa pada 27 Julai 2018.



Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif MTCC, Yong Teng Koon, berkata Yoganeswaran yang berpengalaman dalam menguruskan organisasi dan kepimpinan yang berkesan akan membawa perubahan yang signifikan kepada MTCC.



From left, from left: Mohd Asanuddin presenting the Malaysian Timber Certification Scheme Forest Management Certificate to Wong. Also seen are Jeyaretnam, from SAPULIT, Yong Teng Koon and Mohd Asanuddin.

## Sapulit FMU obtains MTCC certification

**SANDAKAN:** The Sapulit Forest Management Unit (FMU), managed by Sapulit Forest Development Sdn Bhd (Sapulit) has been awarded the MTCC certification under the Malaysian Timber Certification Scheme (MTCCS).

The MTCCS Forest Management Certificate was presented to Norman Wong, the Managing Director of Sapulit Forest Development Sdn Bhd on July 29 in conjunction with the "Majlis Malam Inovasi Jabatan Perhutanan Sabah" held in Sandakan.

The certificate was presented by Mohd Asanuddin Salleh, managing director of Siris QAS International Sdn Bhd, a MTCCS-qualified certification body and witnessed by Datuk Sam Manman, the Chief Conservator of Forests, Sabah Forestry Department and Yong Teng Koon, CEO of the Malaysia Timber Certification Council (MTCC).

Commenting on the award, Norman Wong said, "We are very pleased to obtain the forest management certification under the MTCCS. It has been our goal as a company to ensure that the forests within the 56,400 ha Sapulit FMU are being managed responsibly. Certification under the MTCCS is a demonstration of our commitment to sustainably manage our forest resources so that they continue to

## UMS graduate wins forest award

**UNIVERSITI Malaysia Sabah (UMS) student Hoo Pui Kiat was the winner of this year's Freeziah Forest Sustainability Award for his research into human-modified land use that negatively affects forests.**

His thesis, entitled "Comparison of tree diversity and species composition across a multi-land use and tree diversity-carbon relationship in DOM-UNDP-GEF Project, Luwang, Sabah", found that sustainable land management is crucial in preventing irreversible effects on tree diversity, species composition and carbon stock of forests.

The award is presented to graduates with good academic results and who produced a thesis that meets the prescribed quality and study scope.

"I am very happy to win the award. It is a great honour and will definitely motivate me to promote forest sustainability in Malaysia. I hope all Malaysians will do likewise as our country's forests are crucial to our lives and wellbeing," said Hoo after receiving his award at the 20th UMS convocation.



2018 Freeziah Forest Sustainability Award winner Hoo Pui Kiat (second from right) receiving his prize from Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) Faculty of Science and Natural Resources Dean Professor Dr Baba Muris. With them are UMS vice-chancellor Professor Datuk Dr D. Kamarudin D. Muhiin (second from left) and MTCC chief executive officer Yong Teng Koon (right).

The award — presented since 2016 as an effort to escalate a love for forests among university students — is a collaboration between MTCC and UMS, Faculty of Science and Natural Resources.

MTCC chief executive officer Yong Teng Koon said the Freeziah Forest Sustainability Award, named after MTCC founder and chairman Datuk Dr Freeziah Che Yean, aimed to recognise the achievements of outstanding students and spur others towards academic excellence.

"The future of sustainability lies in the hands of our future generation. In this regard, we must do our part in engaging and grooming our next generation so they can see and embrace our vision for full implementation of a sustainable forest management in Malaysia."

## Didik sayangi, pelihara hutan

MTCC DOKEKILAU BENCUR RENGAS, MENYAHUT TENANG KULATAPIN KAJA

**M**ajlis Pendidikan dan Pemeliharaan Hutan (MPPH) MTCC DOKEKILAU BENCUR RENGAS, MENYAHUT TENANG KULATAPIN KAJA telah diadakan pada 27 Julai 2018.

Majlis ini bertujuan untuk meningkatkan kesedaran masyarakat tentang kepentingan hutan dan bagaimana untuk memelihara hutan dengan betul.

MTCC DOKEKILAU BENCUR RENGAS, MENYAHUT TENANG KULATAPIN KAJA telah mengadakan majlis ini untuk meningkatkan kesedaran masyarakat tentang kepentingan hutan dan bagaimana untuk memelihara hutan dengan betul.

## Bukti komitmen bina perbandaran hijau

UMS KOTA KINABALU

**U**M S KOTA KINABALU telah menunjukkan komitmen untuk membina perbandaran hijau dengan mengadakan Majlis Perbandaran Hijau (MPH) pada 27 Julai 2018.

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UMS KOTA KINABALU telah mengadakan majlis ini untuk meningkatkan kesedaran masyarakat tentang kepentingan hutan dan bagaimana untuk memelihara hutan dengan betul.

## SP Setia green efforts continue

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Dr. Kamarudin D. Muhiin (left) and UMS vice-chancellor Professor Datuk Dr D. Kamarudin Muhiin (second left) with UMS vice-chancellor Professor Datuk Dr D. Kamarudin Muhiin (second left) and UMS vice-chancellor Professor Datuk Dr D. Kamarudin Muhiin (second left).

**原产业部前秘书长 约基斯瓦南任MTCC主席**

【吉隆坡13日讯】马来西亚木材认证理事会（MTCC）于10月26日举办第2届MTCC摄影比赛，本届赛事主题为“体验森林”，旨在透过大自然爱好者的镜头，让大众体验森林不同魅力，进一步了解森林永续经营的价值。

## UMS student receives sustainability award

KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) student

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His research indicated that human modified land use can cause negative impact on tree diversity, changes in species composition and carbon stock.



Hoo Pui Kiat (right) with UMS vice-chancellor Professor Datuk Dr D. Kamarudin Muhiin (second left), UMS vice-chancellor Professor Datuk Dr D. Kamarudin Muhiin (second left) and UMS vice-chancellor Professor Datuk Dr D. Kamarudin Muhiin (second left).

"In this regard, we must do our part in preparing and engaging our next generation so that they will be able to see and embrace our vision for full implementation of sustainable forest management in Malaysia," he said.

"Engaging them at the university level while they are young and eager to learn, promoting academic excellence and raising awareness of their shared responsibility in this endeavor is definitely a significant step in the right direction," he said.

Meanwhile, the award is geared at promoting academic excellence and inculcating the love for the forests amongst university students.

### 活力 副刊/娛樂

### 綠色家具

原木的第二次生命

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另外，来自沙巴的李燕萍（译名）则获得摄影组大奖，其作品纪录了沙巴热带森林的绝美景观和大自然的奥妙之声。



## PUBLIC PROCUREMENT POLICIES

Countries with active operational public procurement policies namely the United Kingdom, Germany, France, Denmark, Belgium, Finland, Switzerland, New Zealand and The Netherlands have accepted the PEFC-endorsed MTCS. The recognition is an important endorsement of Malaysia's commitment and on-going efforts in promoting and implementing sustainable forestry and timber industry through certification under the MTCS.



United Kingdom



Germany



France



Denmark



Belgium



Finland



Switzerland



New Zealand



The Netherlands

The MTCS has also been recognised by the following:

- The Forestry Agency, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Japan which lists MTCS in its Guideline for Verification on Legality and Sustainability of Wood and Wood Products (Since April 2006)
- The Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg, Germany which has granted full acceptance of the MTCS in its procurement policy (Since December 2009)

## GREEN BUILDING SYSTEM

The PEFC-endorsed MTCS continues to be recognised under the green building scheme of Australia, Italy, Singapore, The Netherlands, United Kingdom, Canada, United States of America, Japan and Abu Dhabi, UAE.

The GBI in Malaysia has recognised the MTCS under its Sustainable Timber Criterion since April 2010.



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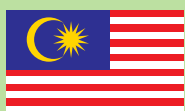
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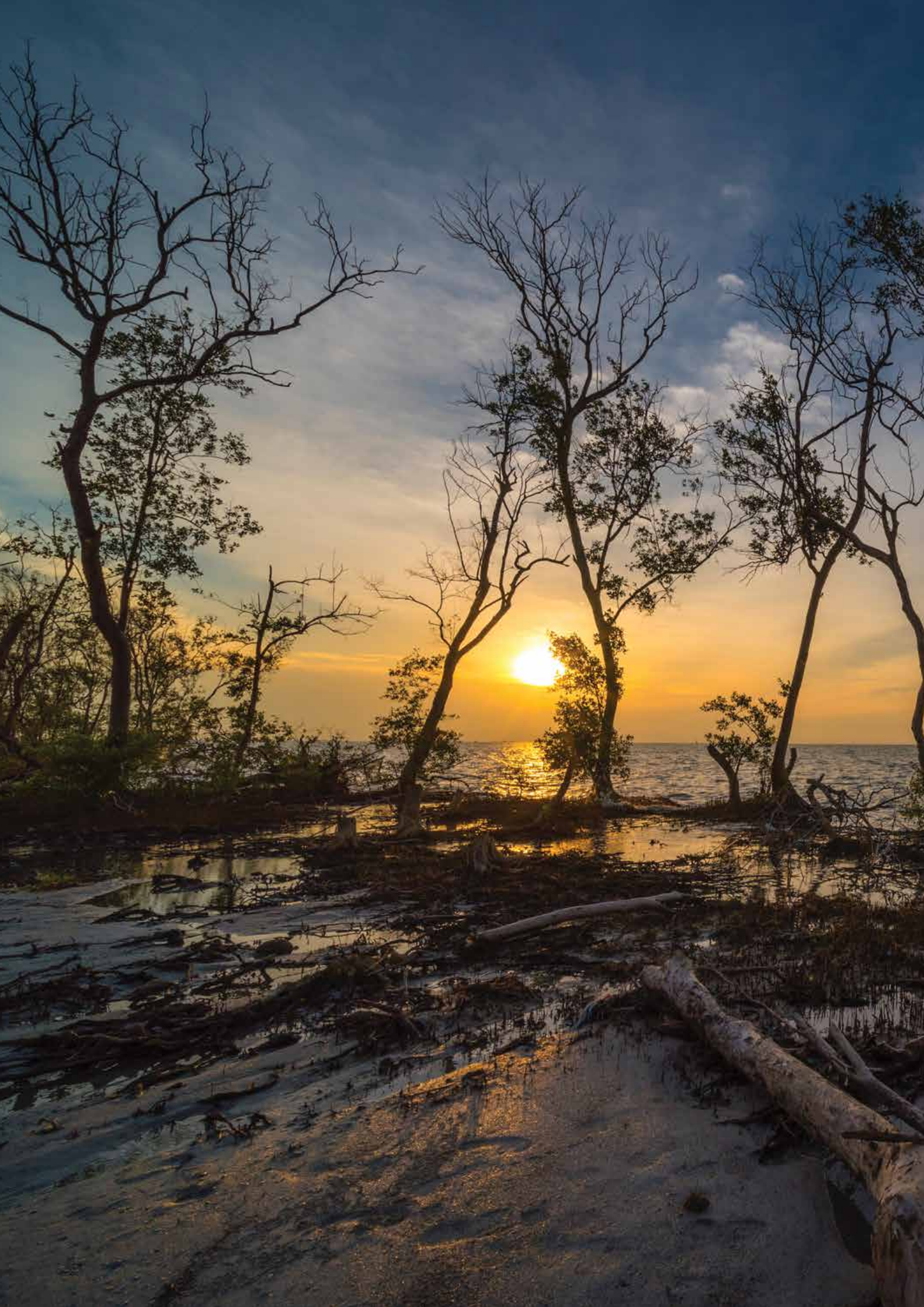


Malaysia











The background image is a coastal scene at sunset. In the foreground, there are several trees with exposed roots on a sandy beach. The water is calm, reflecting the orange and yellow light of the setting sun. The sky is a mix of blue and orange. A large, stylized graphic element is overlaid on the image. It consists of two overlapping triangles, one teal and one light green, pointing to the right. A white line starts from the top left of the teal triangle, extends diagonally across the image, and ends near the bottom right, passing behind the text.

# **PEFC-RELATED ACTIVITIES**





## PEFC-RELATED ACTIVITIES

As the National Governing Body for the implementation of the MTCS, which is a PEFC-endorsed scheme, MTCC participates actively in PEFC-related activities which included the PEFC Members Meeting, Technical Working Group meetings for both forest management and chain of custody, as well as the PEFC Annual General Assembly. Participation in these meetings is crucial to ensure that any decisions on PEFC's policy, technical and guidance documents, and other administrative issues, take into

account the challenges and constraints faced by the MTCS.

Participation in the above meetings have also provided MTCC the avenue and forum for more interaction, communication and sharing of experiences between national PEFC members, as well as between PEFC International and the national members on any important issues that need further deliberation/clarification.

### PEFC MEMBERS MEETING

MTCC CEO and Senior Executive (Product), Akmal Saraani participated in the PEFC Members Meeting held in Geneva on 25 – 27 April. Members were updated by PEFC Secretariat on matters related to EU affairs, standards revision for both forest management and chain of custody, a special update on the proposed Trees Outside Forests

standard, the new PEFC Communication Guideline, as well as discussion on how to increase PEFC market's acceptance and share. Additionally, Members deliberated at length with regard to the proposed PEFC Strategy 2018 – 2022 which will be presented for adoption by the General Assembly scheduled in November.

### PEFC FOREST CERTIFICATION WEEK AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The PEFC Forest Certification Week was held in Geneva, Switzerland from 12 to 16 November which included the 23rd General Assembly (GA) of the PEFC Council held on 14 November.

Themed "Moving Forward Together", various programmes and activities were conducted to explore ways to see how PEFC Members can work together as a global team, collaborating and supporting each other to strive towards PEFC's new vision of **"A world which values the full contributions of sustainable forest."**

One key highlight of the meeting was the adoption of the new three-pronged PEFC Strategy 2018 – 2022 to achieve the new Vision of PEFC.

The three strategic pathways identified are: (a) Increasing communications effectiveness; (b) Focused engagement; and (c) Driving innovation. Each NGB has been requested to embrace these three strategic pathways in the respective national strategies and to report annually on its progress to PEFC as a measure of the joint performance towards this global endeavour.

PEFC family







The 23rd PEFC General Assembly were attended by 41 National Members and 11 international Stakeholders Members. The GA made the following key decisions:

- (i) Approved the Budget and Membership Fees for 2019. Under the approved budget, MTCC is required to pay a total of 93,750 CHF which is a slight decrease of 486 CHF as compared to the budget for 2018.
- (ii) Approved the revised PEFC ST 1003:2018 – Sustainable Forest Management – Requirements, and PEFC 1002:2018, Group Forest Management Certification – Requirements. While congratulating the Working Group and the Board in achieving consensus on

the standard, Malaysia expressed caution that PEFC would need to revisit several issues surrounding conversions including the cut-off-date, for flexibility to ensure sustainable livelihoods and development are in line with national plans in developing countries. Malaysia therefore welcomed the announcement by PEFC Board on the creation of a permanent working group on sustainable forest management standard which would allow for ongoing consideration of these challenges.

- (iii) Agreed to hold the 24th PEFC GA in Wurzburg, Germany on 13 November 2019.

## PEFC TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP MEETING

MTCC continued to participate actively in three working groups (WG) under the PEFC Standard revision process, represented by Siti Syaliza as member for WG1 and WG2 and Sabrina for WG4.

WG1 on Sustainable Forest Management which focused on the revision of Sustainable Forest Management – Requirements (PEFC ST 1003:2010) met two times in 2018. Both meetings were held in Geneva, Switzerland on 21 – 23 March and 25 – 26 July.

WG2 on Group Forest Management was tasked to discuss the revision of two standards namely Group Forest Management Certification – Requirements (PEFC ST 1002:2010) and Forest Management Certification Procedures (PEFC ST 1004:). The members of this WG met twice in 2018. The first meeting on 23 January was held via online conference while the second meeting was

held back to back with the WG1 meeting on 26 – 27 March in Geneva.

WG4 on Chain of Custody and Labelling was tasked to discuss the revision of: (i) Chain of Custody of Forest Based Product – Requirements (PEFC ST 2002:2013), (ii) PEFC Logo Usage Rules – Requirements (PEFC ST 2001:2008), and (iii) Chain of Custody of Forest Based Product – Guidance for Use. The first meeting of the WG was held at the PEFC office in Geneva on 24 – 25 January while the second meeting was conducted via a webinar on 19 – 20 September.

At the end of 2018, PEFC ST 1002:2018 Group Forest Management Certification – Requirements and PEFC ST 1003:2018 Sustainable Forest Management – Requirements were approved by the PEFC General Assembly on 14 November.









**COOPERATION**



MTCC continued to provide support in advancing sustainable forest management through timber certification in the region by participating in a number of ASEAN-related meetings and workshops as follows:

## 1. Thirty Fourth Meeting of the ASEAN Consultative Committee for Standards and Quality (ACCSQ) Working Group on Conformity Assessments

The Working Group 2 on Conformity Assessments under the ASEAN Consultative Committee for Standards and Quality (ACCSQ) mainly covers matters on institutional capacity building of the accreditation bodies as well as their accredited conformity assessment bodies. The 34th Meeting of the ACCSQ WG 2 was held from 5 – 7 March in Putrajaya. Represented by MTCC Senior Manager (Forest Management), Siti Syaliza, MTCC participated in the meeting to provide support to the Malaysian delegation. Siti also presented a proposal on a Training Programme for a Forestry Certification Capacity Building for Future Cooperation on behalf of PEFC. The meeting approved the proposal for a conduct of a training by PEFC to be held back to back with the subsequent meeting of the ACCSQ WG2.

Group photo of the attendees

## 2. Regional Workshop on Finalisation of the Manual for FLEG Implementation in ASEAN

The Regional Workshop on Finalisation of the Manual for FLEG Implementation in ASEAN was held on 22 May 2018 in Pakse, Champasack Province, Lao PDR. Melvin Ku, Senior Executive (Forest Management) represented MTCC at the workshop.

The *Manual for Assessing Forest Law Enforcement and Governance (FLEG) Implementation in ASEAN Member States* is one of the key deliverables under the ASEAN Cooperation in Food, Agriculture and Forestry for the year 2018. The manual aims to guide those responsible for compiling data on FLEG implementation and how the required information should be assembled and presented.

The meeting in progress





### 3. Fourteenth Meeting of the ASEAN Working Group on Forest Management

MTCC participated in the Fourteenth Meeting of the ASEAN Working Group on Forest Management (14th AWG-FM) held from 23 – 24 May 2018 in Pakse, Champasack Province, Lao PDR. The AWG-FM aims to support ASOF and the ASEAN Ministers on Agriculture and Forestry (AMAF) in decision making by providing specific policy-oriented research results and policy analysis on forest management; support the implementation of the strategic thrusts, action programmes and activities identified in the Strategic Plan of Action for ASEAN Cooperation in Forestry, 2016 – 2025, and the Work Plan for Forest Law

Enforcement and Governance (FLEG) in ASEAN, 2016 – 2025, through the Strategic Plan of Action for ASEAN Cooperation in Forest Management developed by the Working Group; and promote sustainable forest management of all types of forest, including protection, restoration, afforestation and reforestation, and increase efforts to prevent forest degradation.

The four-member delegation from Malaysia comprised representatives from the Ministry of Water, Land and Natural Resources (KATS), Forestry Department Peninsular Malaysia (FDPM), Sabah Forestry Department and MTCC, represented by Melvin Ku, Senior Executive (Forest Management).

Group photo of the attendees



The meeting in progress



### 4. Twenty First Meeting of the ASEAN Working Group on Forest Products Development

Held from 9 – 10 July in Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar, the 21st Meeting of the ASEAN Working Group on Forest Products Development (AWG-FPD) gathered delegates from Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand and Vietnam. The three-member delegation from Malaysia comprised representatives from the Malaysian Timber Industry Board (MTIB) and MTCC. MTCC was represented by Senior Executive (Product), Akmal Saarani.

The AWG-FPD aims to enhance ASEAN cooperation in forest products development and the alignment of national standards and testing protocols in accordance with international standard; enhance intra- and extra-ASEAN trade and the competitiveness of ASEAN forest products including through inter-alia timber certification; support the development of medicinal and aromatic plant industries, and promote cooperation with ASEAN Dialogue Partners, regional and international organisations and the private sector in marketing and image building for ASEAN forest products.

Head of Delegations



The meeting in progress





## 5. Twenty First Meeting of the ASEAN Senior Officials on Forestry

Senior Executive (Product), Akmal Saarani represented MTCC at the 21st ASOF Meeting which was held on 12 – 13 July 2018 in Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar. The five-member Malaysian delegation present at the Meeting included representatives from KATS, FDPM, MTIB and MTCC.

The meeting noted the progress reports and recommendations of the working groups under the ASOF, namely the ASEAN Working Group (AWG) on Forest Products Development; AWG CITES and Wildlife Enforcement; AWG Social Forestry; AWG Forest Management; and AWG Forests and Climate Change. Dialogue/development partners which cooperate with AMS also provided updates on the collaboration activities and proposals for future activities.

Group photo of the delegations



The meeting in progress





Group photo of participants



## 6. Forestry Certification Capacity Building for Future Cooperation

MTCC participated in the Forestry Certification Capacity Building for Future Cooperation under the ASEAN Consultative Committee on Standards and Quality ACCSQ Working Group 2 (ACCSQ WG2) – Working Group on Accreditation and Conformity Assessment held on 2 October 2018 in Vientiane, Lao PDR. MTCC provided support to PEFC in the conduct of the programme and was represented by Senior Manager (Forest Management), Siti Syaliza and Executive (Forest Management), Haniff Salleh. It was held with the aim that the members will support

regional accreditation activities involving sustainable forest certification including leading a project with funding in ASEAN.

Among the key issues identified during the capacity building exercise were the need of a clearer understanding of forest certification capacity of each AMS and a clear pathway for institutionalisation of a regional certification infrastructure; the need to strengthen institutional framework and capacity of each AMS in relation to forest certification schemes; and to deepen intra-regional cooperation to reinforce a regional certification infrastructure.

Siti Syaliza presenting a status update for Malaysia











# SIGNIFICANT EVENTS



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### CONGRATULATIONS AND BRIEFING TO THE MINISTER AND DEPUTY MINISTER OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

YB Puan Teresa Kok and YB Datuk Seri Shamsul Iskandar Haji Mohd Akin



MTCC congratulated YB Puan Teresa Kok and YB Datuk Seri Shamsul Iskandar Haji Mohd Akin on their appointment as Minister and Deputy Minister of Primary Industries respectively on 2 July 2018. MTCC also congratulated Datuk Zurinah Pawanteh for her appointment as the Secretary General of the Ministry of Primary Industries on the same date.

A briefing on MTCC and the operation of MTCS was made to both YB Minister and YB Deputy Minister on 17 July.

### DATUK K. YOGEESVARAN APPOINTED AS MTCC CHAIRMAN

MTCC placed on record its appreciation to Datuk Himmat Singh whose tenure as the MTCC Chairman ended on 15 May 2018 and welcomed Datuk K. Yogeesvaran as the new chairman with effect from 27 July 2018.

Datuk K. Yogeesvaran began his career at the Economic Planning Unit (EPU) in 1981. Among the positions he has held included as Director, Knowledge Economy Division; Director, Industry Service Division; and Deputy Director-

General (Macro) of the EPU before he was promoted as the Secretary General of the Ministry of Plantation Industries and Commodities in August 2017 until his retirement in May 2018.

Datuk K. Yogeesvaran holds a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) from University of Malaya (1980), LLB from University of London (1994) and M.A. Economics from Manchester University (1996).

Datuk K. Yogeesvaran at a get-together session with MTCC staff



MTCC CEO welcomed Datuk K. Yogeesvaran to MTCC





# VISIT BY PETER LATHAM, CHAIRMAN OF PEFC INTERNATIONAL

In conjunction with his visit to Malaysia to participate in the MTC Timber Conference, MTCC arranged a number of activities for PEFC Chairman, Peter Latham as follows:

(i) A meeting with the Minister of Primary Industries, YB Puan Teresa Kok on 18 October during which Peter briefed the Minister on the latest international developments related to certification and exchanged views on forestry related matters;

PEFC Chairman Peter Latham in a discussion with YB Minister Puan Teresa Kok, MTCC Chairman Datuk K. Yogeesvaran and MTCC CEO Yong Teng Koon

(ii) A meeting with MTCC Chairman Datuk K. Yogeesvaran at the MTCC office where he was briefed on the latest developments on the MTCS on 19 October; and  
(iii) A dialogue with members of the Malaysia Timber Association (MTA) where the issue of the 30 December 2010 cutoff date for forest plantation establishment was discussed.

MTCC Chairman Datuk K. Yogeesvaran presenting a token of appreciation to PEFC Chairman Peter Latham



Meeting with MTCC Chairman



Group photo with YB Minister Puan Teresa Kok



Meeting with MTA







## PRESENTATION OF COC CERTIFICATE TO SETIA WOOD

Setia-Wood Industries Sdn. Bhd. (Setia-Wood), a subsidiary of SP Setia Berhad (SP Setia) obtained the MTCS CoC certification demonstrating its commitment to source sustainable materials.

With the certification of Setia-Wood under the MTCS, SP Setia effectively becomes the first property developer in Malaysia to showcase its support for sustainable forest management. Through this certification, SP Setia aims to progressively increase the use of PEFC/MTCS-certified timber flooring for its residential projects, providing customers an additional option to invest in houses that contribute to the sustainable management of our forest.

The MTCS CoC Certificate was presented to Setia-Wood on 1 October by Kenny Looi, General Manager (CBE Division), SGS Malaysia, at the Setia-Wood office in Rawang.

Kenny Looi, presenting the MTCS Chain of Custody certificate to Shanthan Suppiah, Setia-Wood Industries Sdn. Bhd. General Manager



Visit to Setia-Wood factory





# DAPO - FIRST CERTIFIED HOMEWARE BY ONE TECH (M) SDN. BHD.

One Tech (M) Sdn. Bhd. became the first manufacturer in Malaysia that produces PEFC/MTCS-certified homeware under its brand DAPO after obtaining the MTCS-CoC Certification on 26 April 2018.

Touted as the 'Green Carpenter', the owner Harith Ridzuan is committed to produce eco-friendly wood products using sustainable timber and recycled materials.

DAPO - A range of PEFC/MTCS-certified products from One Tech (M) Sdn. Bhd.



MTCS CoC certification enables One Tech to label all its certified homeware with MTCC/PEFC label which will help raise the visibility and profile of the MTCS in the local market.



Sleek and contemporary – Serving platter from DAPO is one of the customer's favourites

A proud owner, Harith Ridzuan with his DAPO collection





# MTCC STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP

Participants of the MTCC Strategic Planning Workshop



MTCC will be celebrating its 20th year of operation in 2019. The occasion marks an important milestone and also presents an excellent opportunity for MTCC to reflect on its achievements and strategise on its future directions.

In this connection, a MTCC Strategic Planning Workshop with the key stakeholders who have been involved in the activities of MTCC and the operation of the MTCS was held on 22 – 24 October in Port Dickson, Negeri Sembilan.

The main aims of the workshop were to exchange views and obtain feedback from the key stakeholders that will feed into planning the future strategic directions of the MTCC.

The key stakeholders included representatives from federal and state government agencies, timber industry and non-governmental organisations (environmental and social).

MTCC CEO, Yong briefing the participants





Among the interactive sessions



MTCC Chairman Datuk K. Yogeesvaran





## MTCC FAMILY DAY

MTCC Family Day was held at A'Famosa Resort Melaka on 5 – 6 May. Numerous family-oriented fun activities were organised at the Water Theme Park to engage and build

rapport among the MTCC staff and their families. The event was also participated by MTCC Chairman Datuk Himmat Singh.

Prize-giving ceremony



Children enjoying a game at the event



Dressing up the "Mummy"





A fun-filled day for staff and families



One for the album





## MTCC Organised / Coordinated the Following Local Events in 2018

EVENTS	DATE	VENUE
Briefing on CoC Certification to Gayador Sdn. Bhd. & Gaya Murni Sdn. Bhd.	30 January	Cyberjaya, Selangor
Briefing on CoC Certification to Tandem Holdings Sdn. Bhd.	17 April	Klang, Selangor
Briefing on CoC Certification to Setia Wood Sdn. Bhd.	26 April	Rawang, Selangor
Briefing on CoC Certification to MUKK	6 June	Kuala Lumpur
Auditor Training Course on Forest Management Certification	9 – 12 July	Kuantan, Pahang
Education talk to students from the Faculty of Built Environment, Tunku Abdul Rahman University College (TAR UC)	16 July	Kuala Lumpur
Briefing on CoC Certification to Robin Resources Sdn. Bhd.	9 August	Mentakab, Pahang
Auditor Training Course on Forest Management Certification	3 – 7 September	Lawas, Sarawak
Presentation of CoC Certificate to Setia-Wood Industries Sdn. Bhd.	1 October	Rawang, Selangor
Education talk to students from the Faculty of Design and Architecture, Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM)	8 October	Serdang, Selangor
MTCC Strategic Planning Workshop	22 – 24 October	Port Dickson, Negeri Sembilan
Capacity Building Training Course on Forest Management Certification	29 – 30 October	Kuching, Sarawak
Capacity Building Training Course on Forest Management Certification	29 October – 2 November	Sibu, Sarawak
Peer Reviewer Training	8 November	Kuala Lumpur
Industrial talk with members of Persatuan Arkitek Malaysia (PAM)	17 November	Kuala Lumpur
Auditor Training Course on PEFC Chain of Custody Certification	19 – 20 December	Kuala Lumpur

## MTCC Participated in the Following International Events in 2018

### CONFERENCES / SEMINARS / WORKSHOPS / MEETINGS

3rd Asia-Pacific Rainforest Summit 2018	23 – 25 April	Jakarta, Indonesia
PEFC NGB Qualified Trainer Program	24 April	Geneva, Switzerland
PEFC Members Meeting	25 – 27 April	Geneva, Switzerland
Regional Workshop on Finalisation of the Manual for FLEG Implementation in ASEAN	22 May	Pakse, Lao PDR
The 13th Meeting of The Asean Working Group on Forest Management	22 – 24 May	Pakse, Lao PDR
SGEC / PEFC Forest Certification Forum – Conference for Building up SGEC / PEFC Certified Good Network in Asia and Other Regions	28 June	Tokyo, Japan
The 21st Meeting of the ASEAN Working Group on Forest Products Development (AWG-FPD)	10 July	Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar
The 21st Meeting of the ASEAN Senior Officials on Forestry (ASOF) and 19th ASOF International Seminar	11 – 14 July	Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar
South East Asia National Governing Body Workshop and ASEAN Consultative Committee on Standards and Quality (ACCSQ) Working Group on Conformity Assessment (WG2) Capacity Building	2 October	Vientiane, Lao PDR
PEFC Forest Certification Week 2018	12 – 16 October	Geneva, Switzerland



## MTCC Participated in the Following Local Events in 2018

CONFERENCES / SEMINARS / WORKSHOPS / MEETINGS	DATE	VENUE
Sesi Engagement Bersama Agensi Mengenai Isu Penyahhutan Yang Dikaitkan Dengan Sektor Kayu-Kayan	9 January	Putrajaya
Mesuarat Bagi Membincangkan Isu Penyahhutan Dalam Sektor Komoditi	15 January	Putrajaya
Mesuarat Persediaan Bagi Mesuarat Ke-2 Malaysia-France Joint Committee On Palm Oil Cooperation	16 January	Putrajaya
MTC Media Night 2018	19 January	Kuala Lumpur
Mesuarat Ke-2 Malaysia - France Joint Committee on Palm Oil Cooperation	22 January	Putrajaya
Kajian Transformasi Nasional TN50 Bagi Sektor Perladangan dan Komoditi	30 January	Putrajaya
Majlis Perasmian Forest Research Institute Malaysia (FRIM) Incorporated Sdn. Bhd.	4 February	Selangor
Workshop to Identify Gap and Opportunities in Implementing Forest Management Certification in Sarawak	5 February	Kuching, Sarawak
Perhimpunan Bersama Y. Bhg. Tan Sri Ketua Setiausaha Negara Dengan Warga Kementerian Perusahaan Perladangan dan Komoditi, Agensi dan Majlis	20 February	Putrajaya
Bengkel/Semakan Draf Dasar Pembangunan Luar Bandar TN50 Bagi Teras 7: Biodiversiti dan Alam Sekitar	20 February	Putrajaya
Stakeholders Consultation on Third National Communication (NC3) and Second Biennial Update Report (BUR2)	23 February	Putrajaya
Malaysian International Furniture Fair (MIFF) 2018 Official Opening Ceremony	8 March	Kuala Lumpur
PEFC Training Session at APP Timber	23 March	Shah Alam, Selangor
Majlis Perasmian Muar Furniture Park dan Pelancaran Superbumi (Program Skim Usahawan Perabot Bumiputera)	3 April	Muar, Johor
Program Pemukiman 2018 Kementerian Perusahaan Perladangan dan Komoditi	11 – 12 April	Ipoh, Perak
Transformasi Nasional (TN50) Sektor Perladangan dan Komoditi oleh PEMANDU Associates	16 April	Putrajaya
Forum “Sustainable Forest Management and A New Hope for Malaysia”	4 June	Klang, Selangor
STC Woodbased & Furniture Bil 1/2018	11 June	Kuala Lumpur
Conservation Internship programme (CIP) for Forest Management Certification under RIMBA Sarawak	29 June	Kuching, Sarawak
Kolokium dan Bengkel Transformasi Modal Insan Industri Perakayuan Malaysia 2018	10 July	Shah Alam, Selangor
Mini Lab on Strengthening Tiger Conservation and Protected Area Management in Malaysia	19 – 20 July	Kuala Lumpur
Majlis Malam Inovasi Jabatan Perhutanan Sabah 2018	20 July	Sandakan, Sabah



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CONFERENCES / SEMINARS / WORKSHOPS / MEETINGS	DATE	VENUE
MOU Signing Ceremony Between MWIA and Guangxi Forestry Department	24 July	Kuala Lumpur
Majlis Perasmian 18th Malaysian Forestry Conference (MFC), Sarawak Advancing Sustainable Forestry Through Digitalisation and Tehnology	31 July	Kuching, Sarawak
Taklimat Kementerian Industri Utama Kepada Ahli Parlimen Backbenchers	2 August	Kuala Lumpur
Forum 'Mempromosi dan Mengaplikasikan Prinsip Panduan PBB Mengenai Hak Asasi Manusia dan Perniagaan'	16 August	Putrajaya
Malaysia National Improving Forest Governance Course	3 – 8 September	Genting Highlands, Pahang
TA Ann Appreciation Dinner	14 September	Kuching, Sarawak
Bengkel Semakan dan Penambahbaikan Mycrest Bil 3/2018	18 September	Kuala Lumpur
Debriefing: Misi Teknikal dan Program Pembangunan Usahawan Perkayuan Ke Australia	21 September	Kuala Lumpur
Majlis Sambutan Hari Hutan Antarabangsa dan Hari Konservasi Ekosistem Hutan Paya Laut Antarabangsa Peringkat Kebangsaan Tahun 2018	7 October	Sabak Bernam, Selangor
JSC Vision public lecture: "How to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals" in conjunction with the Launch of Master in Sustainable Development Management.	8 October	Sunway, Selangor
Mesyuarat mengenai Deraf Cadangan Impak Pensijilan Untuk Dibiayai Di Bawah PIKM	8 October	Kuala Lumpur
Mesyuarat Jawatankuasa Taskforce Pembangunan Batang Kelapa Sawit (OPT) Bil. 2/2018	10 October	Putrajaya
2018 MTC Media Familiarisation Programme for Foreign Journalist	15 – 16 October	Kuala Lumpur
The Malaysian Timber Conference 2018	18 October	Kuala Lumpur
Symposium on Forest Product Education: Finding The Right Model (SFPE2018)	24 October	Kuala Lumpur
Signing Ceremony Between MPMA and China Linyi Panel Products Chamber of Commerce	14 November	Putrajaya
International Symposium on Application of Engineered Timber Products Towards High Rise Buildings - Challenges and Opportunities	15 November	Kuala Lumpur
Europa Awards Gala Dinner	22 November	Kuala Lumpur
Industry Awareness and Engagement Session on LCA-base Environmental Performance and Sustainability Assessment	26 November	Kuala Lumpur
Lawatan YB Menteri Industri Utama Ke Perbadanan Kemajuan Perusahaan Kayu Sarawak (STIDC) dan Sesi Dialog Bersama Penguasaha Perakayuan Negeri Sarawak	5 December	Kuching, Sarawak



## MTCC Participated in the Following Local Events in 2018

### CONFERENCES / SEMINARS / WORKSHOPS / MEETINGS

DATE	VENUE
Sarawak Forestry 15th Anniversary Dinner	Putrajaya
Program Pemukiman Sektor Perikanan	Kuala Lumpur
Sesi Dialog Bersama YB Menteri Sumber Manusia dan Menteri Industri Utama Mengenai Isu Penggajian Pekerja Asing Bagi Sektor Komoditi	Putrajaya

## MTCC Participated in the Following Fairs / Exhibition in 2018

### FAIRS / EXHIBITION

DATE	VENUE
Perhimpunan Ketua Setiausaha Negara	Putrajaya
Export Furniture Expo (EFE)	Kuala Lumpur
FENSTERBAU*	Nuremberg, Germany
Environment Day*	Berlin, Germany
Green World Tour*	Berlin, Germany
International Greentech and Eco Products Exhibition and Conference Malaysia (IGEM)	Kuala Lumpur
Kuala Lumpur Engineering and Science Fair 2018 (KLESF)	Sri Kembangan, Selangor
Window Days*	Bad Wildungen, Germany
Malaysia Agriculture, Horticulture and Agrotourism Show (MAHA)	Serdang, Selangor

\*Represented by MTCC PR agency in Germany.











# FINANCIAL STATEMENT



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## Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2018

	2018 RM	2017 RM
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Non-current asset</b>		
Property, plant and equipment	2,257,076	2,353,549
<b>Current assets</b>		
Trade receivables	71,290	6,963
Sundry receivables and deposits	234,321	161,958
Held for trading investments	75,660,310	78,483,678
Deposits	10,761,347	8,678,491
Cash and bank balances	767,529	207,024
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>87,494,797</b>	<b>87,538,114</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>89,751,873</b>	<b>89,891,663</b>
Endowment fund	84,000,000	84,000,000
Accumulated fund	4,804,915	4,822,137
<b>Total equity</b>	<b>88,804,915</b>	<b>88,822,137</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Sundry payables and accruals	273,650	587,546
Current tax liability	18,988	18,988
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>292,638</b>	<b>606,534</b>
<b>Non-current liability</b>		
Retirement benefit obligations	654,320	462,922
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>946,958</b>	<b>1,069,526</b>
<b>TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>	<b>89,751,873</b>	<b>89,891,663</b>



## Statement of Comprehensive Income for the Year ended 31 December 2018

	2018 RM	2017 RM
Revenue	240,530	178,850
Direct costs	(843,434)	(825,208)
Gross loss	(602,904)	(646,358)
Other income	3,807,932	5,728,229
Administrative and general expenses	(3,222,250)	(3,766,461)
(Deficit) / Surplus before tax	(17,222)	1,315,410
Tax expense	–	–
<b>(Deficit) / Surplus for the year</b>	<b>(17,222)</b>	<b>1,315,410</b>
Other comprehensive income	–	–
Total comprehensive (deficit) / income for the year	(17,222)	1,315,410













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