
MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Readers,

Over the past years, the Journal has been dedicated to providing planners, decision makers, researchers, and students' access to the fast-growing information on the field of planning. To that end, the *PLANNING MALAYSIA* has to date successfully publish three journals and this fourth journal is a reflection of the dedication of the editors and contributors towards the development of knowledge in planning and development.



In meeting the challenges in today's built environment, the Journal has managed to produced articles that touches upon the future planning needs as it highlights issues closely related to sustainability and illustrates efforts and methods towards best planning practices in today's context. The need for good decision support system in today's planning is also important and it is hoped that the articles here provide inputs and provoke thoughts towards better planning for our country.

Finally, the editors are to be commended for this fourth journal publication and our appreciation is extended to the team of writers and contributors from various institutions of higher learning whose papers are of varied planning interest. The Journal plans to extend its distribution; not only to all planning schools, Federal, State and Local Planning Authorities but also to various organizations MIP is affiliated to and other professional bodies locally as well as globally. Thus it is hoped that planners from other planning sectors will also contribute to the journal where new ideas and thoughts can be shared and explored for the development of the profession and the industry.

Thank you.

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