

**PRESS STATEMENT**

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**Sarawak Metro attains three ISO certifications simultaneously**

**KUCHING:** Sarawak Metro Sdn Bhd recorded another milestone when it attained three International Organisation for Standards (ISO) certifications, recently – making it the first organisation in Sarawak to attain three ISO certifications simultaneously.

Sarawak Metro's certifications are ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management System, which affirmed the company's business operates ethically with a responsible and systematic approach towards all its employees, customers and operations while meeting international standards; ISO 14001:2015 Environmental Management System; and ISO 14001:2018 Occupational Health Safety Management System which emphasized on compliance in health, safety, and environment (HSE) management and supervision.

In a simple ceremony witnessed by Sarawak Economic Development Corporation (SEDC) Chairman Tan Sri Datuk Amar (Dr) Haji Abdul Aziz bin Dato Haji Husain at Menara SEDC here, Sarawak Metro's Chief Executive Officer Mazli Mustaffa was presented with the certificates by SIRIM QAS International Sdn Bhd (SIRIM QAS) Regional Director (Testing Services Department) Kasvenda bin Kassim.

The pursuit for the certifications is in line with Sarawak Metro's efforts towards service and management excellence, particularly in its endeavour to develop the Kuching Urban Transportation System (KUTS) project.

The ISO certificates were awarded by SIRIM QAS, after months of assessment, evaluation, and audit.

SIRIM QAS, an appointed ISO Certification Body, conducted two stages of certification audit in July and October last year.

Both stages of the certification audit were conducted under Phase 4 – Continual Improvement consultancy process.

The audit process involved four phases, namely, Process Assessment and Planning, Standardisation, System Implementation, and Continual Improvement.

Sarawak Metro, a wholly owned subsidiary of SEDC, engaged Focuser Consultant Sdn Bhd as its Integrated Management System (IMS) consultant to assist in conducting all the programmes and workshops in compliance with the ISO requirements.

The consultancy process commenced in March 2021 and was completed in November 2022.

The scope of certification was on the provision of development and project management of the public urban transportation system which included procurement, design, construction, testing & commissioning, and completion of the KUTS Project.

Among those present at the ceremony were SEDC Board Members Dato Dr Philip Raja and Boniface anak Edwin Manung, SEDC Deputy General Manager Hajah Rakayah Hamdan and Focuser Consultants Principal Consultant Dr Lee Chian Teck.

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**Photos and caption:**



OVER TO YOU...Kasvenda (2<sup>nd</sup> right) presenting the ISO certificates to Mazli (3<sup>rd</sup> left) and witnessed by (from left) Lee, Sarawak Metro's Director of Quality, Safety, Health and Environment Capt (Rtd) Omar bin Husin, Dr Philip, Tan Sri Haji Abdul Aziz, Edwin and Rakayah.

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