

Fiabci Malaysia's night for members

> Announces that Malaysia Property Award 2013 currently in full swing

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THE International Real Estate Federation (Fiabci) Malaysia Chapter recently held its Members' Gathering Night at Berjaya Times Square Hotel. Some 300 guests, mainly from the real estate industry, were treated to a night of good food and great jazz.

"In jazz, the skilled performer interprets a tune in very individual ways, never playing a composition the exact way twice. So tonight, I hope you would keep things jazzy and interact with one another just like a jazz performer," the event's organising chairman Eddie Tan said in his welcoming speech.

The event is held every two years and is a platform for members to meet and network in a lively environment. It is also meant to be an introduction night for Fiabci's new national council members. The elections were held last August.

The national council members are Fiabci Malaysia president Yeow Thit Sang and deputy president Tengku Abdul Aziz Tengku Mahmud (PNB Merdeka Ventures Sdn Bhd CEO).

The vice presidents are Perbadanan Kemajuan Negeri

Selangor (PKNS) general manager Othman Hj Omar, Malaysian Institute of Estate Agents (MIEA) president

Siva Shanker, Malaysian Institute of Architects (PAM) president Chan Seong Aun, Real Estate and Housing Developers' Association (Rehida) president Datuk Seri Michael Yam, and Sabah Housing and Real Estate Developers Association (Shareda) president Francis Goh.

Malaysia Shopping Malls Association (PPKM) president Chan Hoi Choy, Royal Institution of Surveyors Malaysia (RISM) president Datuk Abdull Manaf Hj Hashim, Association of Valuers, Property Managers, Estate Agents and Property Consultants in the Private Sector Malaysia (PEPS) president Lim Lian Hong, Sarawak Housing and Real Estate Developers' Association (Sheda) president Tuan Haji Zaidi Ahmad, and Datuk Daisy Ooi are also vice presidents.

The secretary general and honorary treasurer is Dr Yu Kee Su and Teh Teik Bin respectively, while Datuk Richard Fong is immediate past president.

Committee members are made up of Datuk Francis Ng, Foo Gee Jen, Tan, Elvin Fernandez, Dr Gue See Sew, Lai Voon Hon, Ronn Yong,

Michael Geh, Richard Chan, Tan Sri Liew Kee Sin, Datuk Eddy Chen and YY Lau.

"Tonight's event is a successful one as the responsibility of organising the night was entrusted to Tan (who is also chairman of the Young Member Committee)," Yeow said in his speech.

Yeow said the Malaysia Property Award "is currently in full swing".

"We recently visited the SEMOA (Strategic Education Methods and Ongoing Advancement) Centre in Raub, Pahang, an orang asli education centre for orang asli children. We donated mattresses, pillows, blankets, tables and chairs, and food stuff during our trip there.

"The fund came from the money collected from the Charity Gold Tournament held in 2011. We hope to be able to collect more this year to help this group. I hope you will come forward to help this group to better themselves. These activities are not possible without the generous sponsorship from our members and the public," he added.

The Members' Gathering Night is sponsored by SP Setia Bhd, LBS Bina Group, PKNS and Sunsuria Development Sdn Bhd.

Guests were also treated to a lucky draw, with prizes sponsored by Aloft Hotel, One World Hotel, Mega Ad designer and Tumasek Pewter Sdn Bhd.



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(L-R) Gue, Siva, Goh, Zaidi, Tan, Teh, Othman, Chen, Fiabci past president Kumar Tharmalingam, Yeow, World Fiabci and Fiabci Malaysia past president Alan Tong, Abdul Aziz, Fernandez, Yu, Richard Chan, Geh, Bandar Eco Setia Sdn Bhd divisional general manager and CEO Koe Peng Kang (representing Liew), Yong and Ireka Corporation Bhd business development senior vice president See Kim Wah.