

IEEE Malaysia Section Newsletter
IEEE Sarawak Subsection

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3rd AGM of IEEE Sarawak

On 3 Feb 2018, IEEE Sarawak Subsection had its third AGM. During the AGM, Associate Prof. Dr. Lau Bee Theng, Chair 2017, delivered the speech on the achievements in the past year and plans for the future. Secretary Dr. Jacey-Lynn Minoi presented the activities conducted and Treasurer Dr. David Bong reported the financial statement and status. Following the dissolving the 2017 committee, the election of executive committee of 2018 was carried out. The elected committee are shown in the table on the right.



The 2018 IEEE Sarawak Subsection AGM

Name	Position	Affiliation
Dennis Wong M. L.	Past Chair	Heriot-Watt
Lau Bee Theng	Chair	Swinburne
Victor Wong M.H.	Vice-chair	Sarawak Energy
David Bong Boon Liang	Secretary	UNIMAS
Pan Zheng	Treasurer	Swinburne
Jacey-Lynn Minoi	Committee Member	UNIMAS
Hudyjaya Siswoyo Jo	Committee Member	Swinburne
Riady Siswoyo Jo	Committee Member	Swinburne
Then Yi Lung	Committee Member	Swinburne
Ong Chin Ann	Committee Member (co-opt)	Swinburne

Contribution from Sarawak Energy Berhad

IEEE Sarawak Subsection received contribution from Sarawak Energy Berhad, as a Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) partner to support our community and school programs in Sarawak. Sarawak Energy Berhad generously donated fifty thousand ringgit (RM50,000.00) to support IEEE Sarawak's activities for the year 2018.



Ms Cindy Bong from Brand and Sponsorship, Corporate Communication of Sarawak Energy Berhad (right) presented the cheque of RM50,000 to Assoc. Prof. Dr. Lau Bee Theng, Chair of IEEE Sarawak Subsection.

Orientation And Mobility Workshops

Three entities collaborated in organizing Orientation And Mobility Workshops in Kuching on 6 Feb. The three entities are Swinburne University, IEEE Sarawak Subsection & Sarawak Society for the Blind (SSB). The workshops was conducted by Dr Lil Deverell and had attracted 56 participants from various professional backgrounds.



Participants of the Mobility and Orientation Workshop with the speaker, Dr. Lil Deverell.

Seminars and Talks

Three speakers was invited for three separate seminars and talks. On 10 March, 56 students and parents turned up for the talk on “Study with Success” by Mr Urs Wolf from Switzerland.



Assoc. Prof. Kashif Nisar from Universiti Malaysia Sabah, vice-chair of IEEE Sabah Subsection giving a talk on "Future Internet, Internet of Things and Data Aggregation in Named Data Networking" on 22 March.



While on 29 March, another talk titled “Learning in a Dynamic and Ever Changing World” was given by Prof. Geoffrey Ian Webb, the Director of the Monash Centre for Data Science.



IEEE STEM Knowledge Transfer Programs

Two IEEE STEM Knowledge Transfer Programs held in Swinburne Sarawak in the month of June for both primary and secondary school students.



The “Robotics & Hardware Programming Workshop” runs for 9 days from 11-19 June and attended by 120 students from 15 secondary schools in Kuching, Kota Samarahan and Serian districts. The workshop aimed to deliver hands-on learning experience in basic robot building and hardware programming. In the workshop, participants learned about the working principles of simple robotics and mechatronics systems as well as the practical skills in prototyping electronic circuits and microcontroller programming.

On a separate event, nearly 100 participants ranging from primary four to primary six from 14 primary schools across Kuching district participated the “Data Science Challenge” held on 20-21 June. The event is believed to be the first of its kind in Malaysia where the challenge attempted to introduce data science concepts to children of 10 to 12 years old. The event aimed to cultivate interest in data science among students from a young age.

