



### Chairman's Message

Dear SOPPOA Members,



I am pleased to introduce the September – October 2017 edition of E-Newsletter. This E-Newsletter will be emailed to all our members to keep them informed on a regular basis on the initiatives, programs, and events organised by SOPPOA or relevant partners. We will strive to improve the format and contents of this E-Newsletter going forward. We really appreciate that SOPPOA members could contribute ideas, articles, suggestions, and feedback to SOPPOA so that we can continuously improve to serve members better. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Tiong Chiong Ong  
Chairman, Sarawak Oil Palm Plantation Owners Association (SOPPOA)

### **Anugerah Kecemerlangan Industri (AKI) 2018**

SOPPOA manager attended the workshop on "Bengkel Promosi & Sesi Handholding Anugerah Kecemerlangan Industri (AKI) 2018", 8th September 2017 (Friday) at Deer & Lady Suite, Level 3, Riverside Majestic Hotel, Jalan Tunku Abdul Rahman Kuching, Sarawak.

The objective of the workshop is to encourage companies in Sarawak to participate in AKI 2018. The organizer of AKI, 2018 explained the methods and processes for recognizing the most outstanding companies in the manufacturing and services industries, the companies with business plans to increase value-added products or services and companies with best practices that render them as inspiring role models to other companies.

Those interested to participate in AKI 2018, should register through the website at://daftar.miti.gov.my/akiworkshop2018.php or contact Mr. Griffith Jones Anak Goba via email: griffith.goba@miti.gov.my, tel. no. 082-242099 and Mdm Ernie Marlina Yusof via email: ernie.yusof@miti.gov.my and tel. no. 03-62000449.



Photo taken during the workshop on "Bengkel Promosi dan Sesi Handholding Anugerah Kecemerlangan Industri (AKI), 2018"

### **Chief Minister's Industry Excellence Awards (CMIEA), 2017**

SOPPOA members attended the Chief Minister's Industry Excellence Awards (CMIEA) 2017 at BCKK on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017. The CMIEA, 2017 officiated by the right Honourable YAB Datuk Patinggi (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari Bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg, Chief Minister of Sarawak.

A total of 20 companies participated in the inaugural CMIEA, and they were awarded gold, silver, and bronze based on an accumulated score. The state's highest corporate recognition award was won by Samling Housing Products Sdn Bhd.

The significant event in CMIEA 2017 was the MOU signed between the Sarawak Business Federation (SBF) and Kadin West Kalimantan, Indonesia during the CMIEA 2017.



Chief Minister's Industry Excellent Awards (CMIEA), 2017

SOPPOA managers attended the briefing of Human Resource Development Fund (HRDF) on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at Sarawak State Library, Q1012, Petra Jaya, Kuching, Sarawak. The briefing was organized by Sarawak HRDF to highlight the amendment of the PSMB Act 2017 which was enforced this year in 2017. The amendment is very important and affect many employers in our country.

Photo taken during the briefing on Human Resource Development Fund (HRDF), Sarawak State Library, Kuching. >>



### International Labor Organization, 2017 - Workshop

SOPPOA was invited to attend the workshop of International Labor Organization, 2017 organised by Ministry Plantation Industry and Commodities (MPIC) on 27<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> September at MPIC, Putrajaya.

The workshop was for improving the Malaysian palm oil sector's standing in the USA's annual list of the Department of Labour's list of Goods Produced by Child Labor or Forced Labor. A Gantt Chart was prepared to undertake a comprehensive review of the labor situation in the Malaysian oil palm plantation sector.

The workshop discussed the survey guidelines and experiences collecting data to determine the existence of forced and child labor which include working session are as below;

- Working session 1 - The places to be surveyed.
- Working session 2 - The target group to be surveyed and indicator to be used.
- Working session 3 - Questionnaire design and identification of forced & child labor, and
- Working session 4 - The next step, conclusion, and recommendations.

Photos taken during the workshop of International Labor Organization, 2017 at MPIC Putrajaya on 27<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018



Discussion session for preparing the draft of Higher Conservation Value (HCV) Malaysia Toolkits.

### Higher Conservation Value (HCV) Malaysia Toolkit

Chairperson of Sustainability Committee and Manager of SOPPOA attended the discussion session for preparing the draft document of the National Interpretation of the Common Guidance on the Identification of HCV on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2017 at Harbour View Hotel, Kuching, Sarawak.

The discussion session focused in preparing the draft of Higher Conservation Value (HCV) Malaysia Toolkit parallel with the significant developments at the national level with regard to laws and policies related to natural resources management such as the formulation of the National Physical Plan, the Central Forest Spine Master Plan, the replacement of the Protection of Wild Life Act 1972 with the Wildlife Conservation Act 2010, and more recently the launch of the National Policy on Biological Diversity 2016-2025.



Sustainability Committee of SOPPOA – meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2017 at SOPPOA Meeting Room, Kuching, Sarawak.

### Sustainability Committee - SOPPOA

There was a Sustainability Committee meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> Public Comment for Malaysian Sustainable Palm Oil (MSPO) Supply Chain Standard, 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2017 @ 10.30 am at SOPPOA's Meeting Room

The agenda of meeting as listed below;

Agenda;

- Go through the paragraph title of MSPO (SCCS).
- List down the comments - general/editorial/ technical for the MSPO (SCCS)
- Proposal for amendment/deletion/addition for the MSPO (SCCS)
- Reason for proposed amendment/deletion/addition for the MSPO (SCCS)
- Seminar on Reinforcing the Sustainable Palm Oil Practices.
- MSPO other issues.

### MSPO Matters

Briefing on Malaysian Sustainable Palm Oil (MSPO), 9<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at Pullman Hotel, Kuching, Sarawak. The briefing session was organised by MPOB, Sarawak and Malaysian Palm Oil Certification Council (MPOCC).

SOPPOA Manager attended the briefing and summarized the content of the briefing as follow;

- The implementation of the MSPO certification scheme.
- The government has announced the MSPO certification scheme will be made mandatory from 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019.
- Processes required for MSPO certification scheme.
- Certification bodies information.
- Budget incurred for MSPO certification scheme.



Briefing on MSPO at Pullman Hotel, Kuching, Sarawak on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2019 @ 6.45pm.

### International Biomass Conference Malaysia (IBCM), 2017

The International Biomass Conference Malaysia (IBCM) 2017 was held at Borneo Convention Centre, Kuching, Sarawak, 19<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017 (Thursday & Friday).

The IBCM 2017 has become an annual event that congregates key industry players, technology, and solution providers, scientists and leading biomass stakeholders to share insights, explore business opportunities and partnership models to move the agenda of the biomass forward. This conference is to accelerate the integration of Malaysian Biomass Industry Players into the global supply chain. As a country blessed with rich natural resources, Malaysia has potential to be an important player in the overall value chain and has the potential to open doors to biomass-based investments in the region.

During the IBCM 2017, there were several exhibition booths that provided opportunities for delegates to view and discuss current issues pertaining to biomass industry in Malaysia.



Photos taken during the IBCM 2017 at BCCK, Sarawak. >>

## SOPPOA ORGANIZATION FOR TERM 2017/2019 COUNCIL

Based on current constitution



### SOPPOA Representatives

1. MPOB : David Tiong/ Paul Wong
2. MPOC : Paul Wong (through MPOA)
3. MPOCC : Request pending
4. SBF : Sylvester Fong/ David Tiong
5. MEOA : David Tiong/ Shannon Yii
6. MPOB (MSPO) : Galau Melayong/ Shannon Yii
7. MPOB (1 COPM) : Sylvester Fong
8. MPOB (R&D Steering Committee) : Kon Thian Woei
9. RSPO : Shannon Yii/ David Tiong

### Executive Committee

Chairman: Tiong Chiong Ong  
 1<sup>st</sup> VC: Dato' Sri Law Kiu Kiong  
 2<sup>nd</sup> VC: Polit Bin Hamzah  
 Secretary: Dato' Ha Tiung Noon  
 Treasurer: William Yii Hee Poh

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6. **Treasurer:**  
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7. **Deputy Treasurer:**  
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### WORKING COMMITTEES

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### Committee Members

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9. Paul Wong Hee Kwong
10. Dato' Sri Patrick Wong Haw Yeong
11. Shannon Yii Chong Hee
12. Dato' Wong Sie Young
13. Eric Kiu Kwong Seng
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