

PERSATUAN REMOTE SENSING MALAYSIA MALAYSIAN REMOTE SENSING SOCIETY (MRSS)

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Dear Members,

The MRSS website was redesigned and launched in August, 2007. Members are invited to visit the site at <u>www.mrss.com.my</u> If you have any comments to improve the website kindly forward them to kfloh03@yahoo.com

ISPRS, UPM, ITC and MRSS have also successfully organized Training Workshop on Spatial Planning and the ISPRS Decision Support Systems on 10-12 November, 2007 at Universiti Putra Malaysia, Serdang, Selangor. The participation was overwhelming and MRSS-EXCO would like to thank the sponsors - The Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation, ESRI South Asia and Espatial Resources as well the organizing partners for their committed efforts in materialization this event.

The society will forward to another important event scheduled for the year 2008, namely the 5^{th} MRSS RS-GIS Conference scheduled in November, 2008

13th MRSS AGM

The 13th MRSS AGM is scheduled in April, 2007. Two CPD talks are also planned to be held in conjunction with the AGM. Any proposal to amend the MRSS constitution should be submitted to the secretary, MRSS not later than 30/03/2008.

5th MRSS RS-GIS Conference and Exhibition

The event has been rescheduled by the EXCO to November, 2008. The conference theme has also been changed to

Environment and Disaster Management. A committee to run the conference has been set up and its chairman is Prof. Dr. Mazlan Hashim. A flier announcing the conference will be circulated to all members during the AGM.

28th ACRS

The 28 th ACRS was successfully held on 12-16 November, 2007 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. It was jointly organized by MOSTI, MACRES and AARS. The event, which was officiated by Y.B. Dato' Kong Cho Ha, the Deputy Minister of Science, Technology and Innovations, received 863 participants, 205 papers including 3 keynote addresses and 35 exhibitions.

ISPRS Training Workshop on Spatial Planning and Spatial Decision Support System

The event was successfully held on 10-12 November, 2007 at the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, UPM. The event was organized jointly by UPM, ISPRS, ITC and MRSS. Members can access to the workshop report at www.itma.upm.edu.my/isprs

MRSS RS-GIS Journal

The fourth issue of the MRSS journal is scheduled for completion in May, 2008. Preparation of the fifth issue has also started and to-date it has received three articles. Please contact Prof. Dr. Mohd. Ibrahim for further details (Tel: 07-5530800 - Email: mism@fksg.utm.my).

Membership Update

Presently MRSS has 255 members, comprising 192 ordinary, 11 corporate, 12 associate, 40 student and 1 affiliated member. MRSS has an open policy for new membership. Members are encouraged to introduce their friends/colleagues to join MRSS. Membership application forms are obtainable from Ms. Mariamni Halid (Tel:03-26966950, mariamni@macres.gov.my).

MRSS Website Upgrading

The MRSS website has been redesigned and is hosted at <u>www.irepublics.com</u> with an allocated domain disk space of 33MB. The home page comprises 9 drop down menus - Home ,EXCO, Membership, Activities, Publications, Contact us, Constitution, Links and Directory.

MRSS Membership Certificate

The MRSS membership certificates were circulated to active members. This will entitle you to discounts for all MRSS organized activities and can be used as proof that you are recognized by the society as a professional in remote sensing and its related activities.

CPD Talks

Two CPD talks are in the pipeline. They are `*Radar* Altimetry ' to be delivered by Prof. Dr. Mazlan Hashim - UTM and `*Latest development of LIDAR survey*' by a representative from Ground Data Solution . These will be held in conjunction with the 13th MRSS AGM.