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Dear members,

Allow us to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very happy new year! The year 2006 has been a challenging year for the committee members. Moving to a new office was a strenuous task but running an office without a full time staff was even harder than one can think off. Thanks to the commitment shown by the committee members who manage the office via a 'remote control' from September until December last year.

We look forward for exciting events and activities for members in year 2007. The main event for the year is the **Risk Management Conference** which will be held on **9 to 10 April 2007** at the Prince Hotel, Kuala Lumpur. The theme for this year conference is "**Scaling New Height in Risk Management**". This conference which was originally planned to be held in Nov 2006 was postponed due to unavoidable reasons. We hope that members shall give their full support by participating in this auspicious event.

MARIM is now officially operating from a new location. Our new address is at No.9B, Lorong 8/1E, 46050 Petaling Jaya, sharing the office with the MSOSH. We are also happy to announce that the office is now managed by a new secretary; Ms. Noorosmyzaira who is replacing the former Ms. Didee. For administrative purpose, please contact our secretary at 03-79550284.

Updating members with the currents issues in risk management as well as sharing of information among members shall be on of our focus this year. Thus, we shall be conducting periodic talks and seminars. However, inputs from members on the current topics of interest shall assist us in planning the program. We welcome suggestion from members on topics as well volunteers to be speakers for the talks. Please send your suggestion to administrator@marim.org.

Lastly, together lets make this year filled with exciting events.

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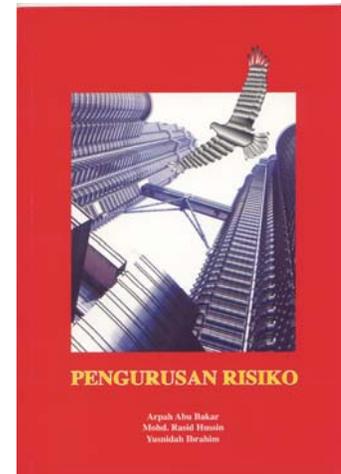
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FEATURE ARTICLE

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RISK MANAGEMENT CULTURE: Part 1

Culture has been considered as the most key success factor for a company to implement Enterprise Risk Management effectively. It refers to the attitude of staff to accept the new changes made by an organization. According to Holmes (2004, p.151), culture is where employees "shared assumption, behaviours and habits of those employed by the organization, together with the symbols, language used to reinforce the organization's core values". The risk management culture starts and develops from the top management through the management buy in. The first step in creating risk management culture is identifying the appropriate policies, standards and practices. Other factors that have to be considered in order to build a sustainable risk management culture are:

- Awareness and responsibility for risk issues which must be linked explicitly to key objectives.
- Sharing information on risk management, thus the risks in collaborative programs can be identified and managed proactively.
- Information on risk and its management need to reach those who have to take action or make decision.
- Good communication mechanisms are essential to avoid inadequate information whether from the lower level or the top level.
- Establishing appropriate competencies and behaviors. In setting up risk culture, the top management must ensure that it is relevant to the organization.
- There must be adequate control mechanism to meet the needs of corporate governance.

To be continued...

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MARIM'S UPCOMING EVENTS

Event	Date	Venue
1. MARIM Student Chapter : Safety at School	2 – 3 March. , 2007	Kedah
2. Tea Talk 1, 2007 : Crisis Management	19 March 2007	TBA
3. Technical Visit to KLIA	4 April 2007	KLIA
4. Risk Management Conference	9-10 April, 2007	Prince Hotel, KL

SPECIAL REPORT

"MARIM STUDENTS CHAPTER"

by: Tan Ai Ling, MSC, UUM

THE FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MARIM'S STUDENT CHAPTER

MARIM has taken an initiative to expand its membership by allowing students to join in under a newly-developed wing, launched as the MARIM Students Chapter (MSC). MSC was established with the collaboration and support from the UUM's Risk Management & Insurance Department; which has put in tremendous effort and cooperation in ensuring the success of this project. The MSC, which is pioneered by the UUM students will be a rolling stone for MARIM to increase awareness on the importance of risk managements among younger generations and the public.

The first Annual General Meeting for MARIM Students Chapter was held on 10th August 2006 at Dewan Semarak Budi, UUM together with an Annual Dinner. Attended the AGM are the Dean of the Faculty of Finance and Banking, Dr Nor Hayati Ahmad; the representative from MARIM; En. Mohamad bin Mohd Zain, the Head Department of Risk Management and Insurance, lecturers and MSC newly-registered members. The main objective of this event was to elect and appoint the committee members for the year 2006/2007.



En. Mohamad, on behalf on the MARIM's Chairman, was invited to officially launch the AGM. As the students are still new to the process of conducting an AGM, En Mohamad has sportingly stepped in to co-chair the AGM, at the same time was very helpful in explaining and helping with the process.

The project manager, Mohd Azeem; said that he was honored to be given the responsibility of conducting such a big event at a national level. He reported that a lot of preparations had been done by the ad-hoc committees for realizing this event.

All committee members has given great effort and cooperation and worked hard to ensure the success of the event. He thanked everyone for making the dinner and AGM a great success.

Listed below are the office bearers for the MSC Committee.

COMMITTEE OF MARIM'S STUDENT CHAPTER FOR YEAR 2006/2007

President	: Muhamad Azeem Bin Ahmad Nazir
Vice President I	: Noor Wahidah Bt Idris
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Student Achievement Awards

By: Arpah Abu Bakar
Honorary Secretary, MARIM



MARIM has moved forward by expanding its membership to include students. Although student members cannot vote, they are eligible for full benefits as other members. The idea is to nurture the interest in the risk management field and to provide exposure to the industry as early as possible to the younger generation. In return, MARIM's corporate members may benefit from a high skills and knowledgeable human resources.

The first student chapter has been established at Universiti Utara Malaysia (UUM). With three batches of students in Bachelor of Risk Management and Insurance (with honors) [BRMI(Hons)] program, UUM will take the lead. The student chapter is expected to expand to all over Malaysia by end of year 2006.

One of the benefits of a student member is the eligibility for Students Achievement Awards. As an organization that believes in its social obligation MARIM has initiated awards to encourage academic excellence. MARIM has managed to secure a sponsorship from MNRB Holdings Berhad to be granted to student members. It is hoped that the awards can be a motivation for students to compete and achieve beyond imagination.

There are three categories of awards--Best Academic Achievement, Best Co-curriculum Achievement, and Best Overall Achievement. In order to qualify for the Best Academic Achievement, a candidate must obtain a grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.5 for two semesters of the academic session. For the Best Co-curriculum Achievement, a candidate must be active in extra-curricular activities. The Best Overall Achievement Award will be for a student who are both active in extra-curricular activities and maintain a GPA of 3.0 for two-consecutive semesters. Every year nine student members are eligible for the awards.

Institutions that offer programs in risk management and insurance are encouraged to participate by initiating a Student Chapter at their institutions.

OFFICE BEARERS FOR 2006 – 2007	
Chairman	: Tenaga Nasional Berhad
Deputy Chairman	: Kumpulan Guthrie Berhad
Honorary Secretary	: Universiti Utara Malaysia
Honorary Treasurer	: Maxis Communication Berhad
Exco	: TM Berhad
	: Malaysian Airlines System Berhad
	: Tan Chong Motor Sdn Bhd

MARIM @ A GLANCE

TEA TALK 2/2006
ENTERPRISE RISK MANAGEMENT (ERM)
SEPT. 22, 2006
Bilik Pergau, TNB Jalan Bangsar

The tea talk was organized by TM; with tremendous efforts put into it by the project leader; Mr Nuril Annuar. About 30 corporate participants (mostly are MARIM's members), academicians and members of the MARIM Students Chapter, attended the session, with the students helping on registration and organization of the event.

The half day event was organized into 2 sessions; each covers a different aspect of ERM. The first session touched about "Internal Audit/Risk Management/Compliance Function – Complimentary of Conflicting". The talk was given by Ms. Margaret Chin, Managing Director of Roots Consulting Sdn Bhd. In her presentation, she shared her experience in training directors and managers of major organizations in Malaysia. She also talked about the implementation of Strategic Enterprise Scorecards.

The second session was conducted by Cik Noor Arifah of Tenaga Nasional Berhad (TNB) who presented a topic on Risk Management Reporting and Monitoring. In her talk, she explained the reporting structure of TNB and the monitoring function supervised by the EWRM department. TNB developed TNB Risk Information System (TRIS) to assist in the reporting and monitoring function. She shared the major hurdles that they faced during the development of TRIS as well as the strategies taken to overcome the problems.

Both speakers succeeded in attracting the crowd's interest. The Q&A session was overwhelmed by the participants' quest for knowledge. This event gives opportunities for members to acquire new knowledge as well as to develop networking among member companies.



Again we would like to congratulate the Project Leader and MARIM for the continuous effort of educating and raising risk management awareness among the members.

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