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KOTA SAMARAHAN: Science House Foundation (SHF) is hold the first annual International Conference on Transnational Collaborative STEAM Education 2013 on 3 and 4 October this year at Dewan Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra, UNIMAS.

The conference, which is also part of the UNIMAS International Festival of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEMFest) 2013, is co-organised with UNIMAS and Global 20 STEM States with support from the Richard Lounsbery Foundation, the Ford Foundation and the Sarawak Convention Bureau.

The conference will see various scholars (locals and international), entrepreneurs and policymakers working together to illuminate paths to transnational collaboration around science and arts education to help better prepare workers for a 21<sup>St</sup> Century workforce, which will translate into new opportunities for jobs, strengthening the education base of students (includ-

ing school retention rates) and providing new venues for self-esteem for K-12 kids.

"This unique conference will convene an amazing cross-section of global leaders in education, business and government," said Joshua Fouts, Chair of the conference and Executive Director of Science House Foundation.

"Together these innovators will help us to understand how we can work together to prepare kids everywhere for a 21st Century work environment by examining new opportunities in transnational collaborative curriculum and learning; science and cultural sensitivity: and how to preserve and respect identity in an interconnected world."

The summit will include prominent keynote speakers such as Ambassador Skip Boyce, President of Boeing Southeast Asia and former US Ambassador to Thailand, Dr Tin Hlaing, Science Advisor to Aung San Suu Kyi, Dr Meghan Groome, Executive Director of Education and Public Programmes at the New York Academy of Sciences and Pascal van den Nieuwendijk, from Microsoft.

The conference also features a video presentation from Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi and senior executives from UNESCO.

Abstracts and papers submitted to the conference are subject to review by a qualified scientific committee to ensure that papers are of high quality and standard.

From the accepted papers, selected ones will be considered for publication in the Journal of Transnational STEAM Education (ISBN 978-0-9875500-4-0)

For more information about the conference, visit its website at http://stemstates.org/stemfest-malaysia-2013/international-conference-on-transnational-collaboration-on-steam-education. html or contact the conference Secretary, Medecci Lineil at 019-8983756 or email the conference Secretariat at mlineil@stemstates.org.