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1st December

9.00-10.00: Opening Session

1) Welcoming Words

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2) Welcoming Words

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3) Opening Words by the Honourable Vice Chancellor, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia
Tan Sri Prof. Dato' Dr. Sharifah Hapsah Syed Hasan Shahabudin

10.00-10.30: Morning Tea Break

corporate which are supported by their own factors. They influence the effectiveness of FM in high rise office buildings. Business entity loses dynamic, quality workers and profit are the components of corporate factors. The objective of this paper is to highlight the correlation between the factors involved. This paper presents the finding of seven (7) high rise office buildings in Klang Valley, Malaysia on FM management operational issues. Top and management personnel were interviewed for their immediate views and responses using standard questionnaire survey. A statistical analysis based on the Pearson correlation was used to identify the correlation for each corporate factors and ethical knowledge. As a result, ethical knowledge has a positive correlation with the corporate factors. The correlation coefficient (r-value) shows that there was a strong relationship between corporate factors and ethical knowledge. In other words, if the ethical knowledge had fully been integrated and be the first priority with corporate factors in FM, then it will be an effective FM in high rise office building.

Keywords: Facilities management, knowledge, corporate, office high rise building

PS 2 (T 3-3): The Role of Residential Colleges in Nurturing Professional Ethics among University Students: Prospects and Challenges

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Tertiary or university level is the highest level of education before a person embarking on his/her career life. The expectations have always been high towards university to mould students' good personalities. This is mainly to ensure that the graduates are capable of handling obstacles and challenges in their real life. In normal circumstances, the role of residential colleges in shaping students behavior is not much highlighted. This paper explores the potential role of residential colleges in a university especially in inculcating organizational behaviour among students. This study employs qualitative method mainly through library research and interview sessions with relevant parties who are directly involved in the administration of colleges at public universities. Several cases were studied, and the findings are used to illustrate and explain the actual scenario. The study found that residential colleges have many opportunities to educate students in the respect of professional ethics. Colleges provide favourable environment appropriately inculcating balance in students' development including towards organizational behavior throughout their years of study. The efforts can be divided into two categories: On the level of

inner self which can be further divided into awareness, self-reflection and conviction, and on the level of practicality. The students will value the spirit of mutual respect and social responsibility throughout their dealing with college office staff. These values, even though may be seen as simple, are indeed, invaluable and important for their future experience in the society. Several challenges to such role are also identified which can be divided into two aspects: Students and university.

PS 2 (T 3-4): Emotional Intelligence and Organisational Ethical Climate in Collective Communities: A Study in a Borneo-Malaysian Public Service Organisation.

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The paper explores the role of emotional intelligence in nine (work) ethical climate types (selfinterest, company profit, efficiency, friendship, team interest, social responsibility, personal morality, company rules and procedures, and laws and professional codes). Schutte's Self-Report Emotional intelligence Inventory (SSRI) and Victor & Cullen's Work Ethical Climate Questionnaire (ECQ) were administered to 63 employees in 2 service-oriented departments in a public service organization in Borneo Malaysia. Findings were described in Schutte 4 dimensions of emotional intelligence and Victor & Cullen typology of ethical climate. EQ was found to be instrumental in matters that require ethical judgement at individual and organizational loci of analysis, where respondents who reflected better emotional intelligence expressed stronger awareness of ethical elements at individual level (lacks of self interest, sense of friendship, personal moral emphasis) and organizational level (importance of company profit, team spirit, and rules & procedures). It was also found emotional intelligence largely influenced judgement at egoism-based (lacks self interest, company profit) and benevolence-based (friendship and team spirit) work ethics decisions. EQ was however not found to play any role in the moral judgement of ethical matters at the universal level of values or those that involve principled criterions. The findings suggest that emotional intelligence competence, particularly the skills of perceiving and recognising emotions of self and others', is instrumental for work ethics to be fully embraced in this particular Borneo organisation. Explanation on what could account for this nature in the context of the developing Borneo organisation is provided in this paper.

PS 2 (T 3-5): Discrimination towards Disabled People: A Reality that Need to be addressed Zakaria Osman

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