

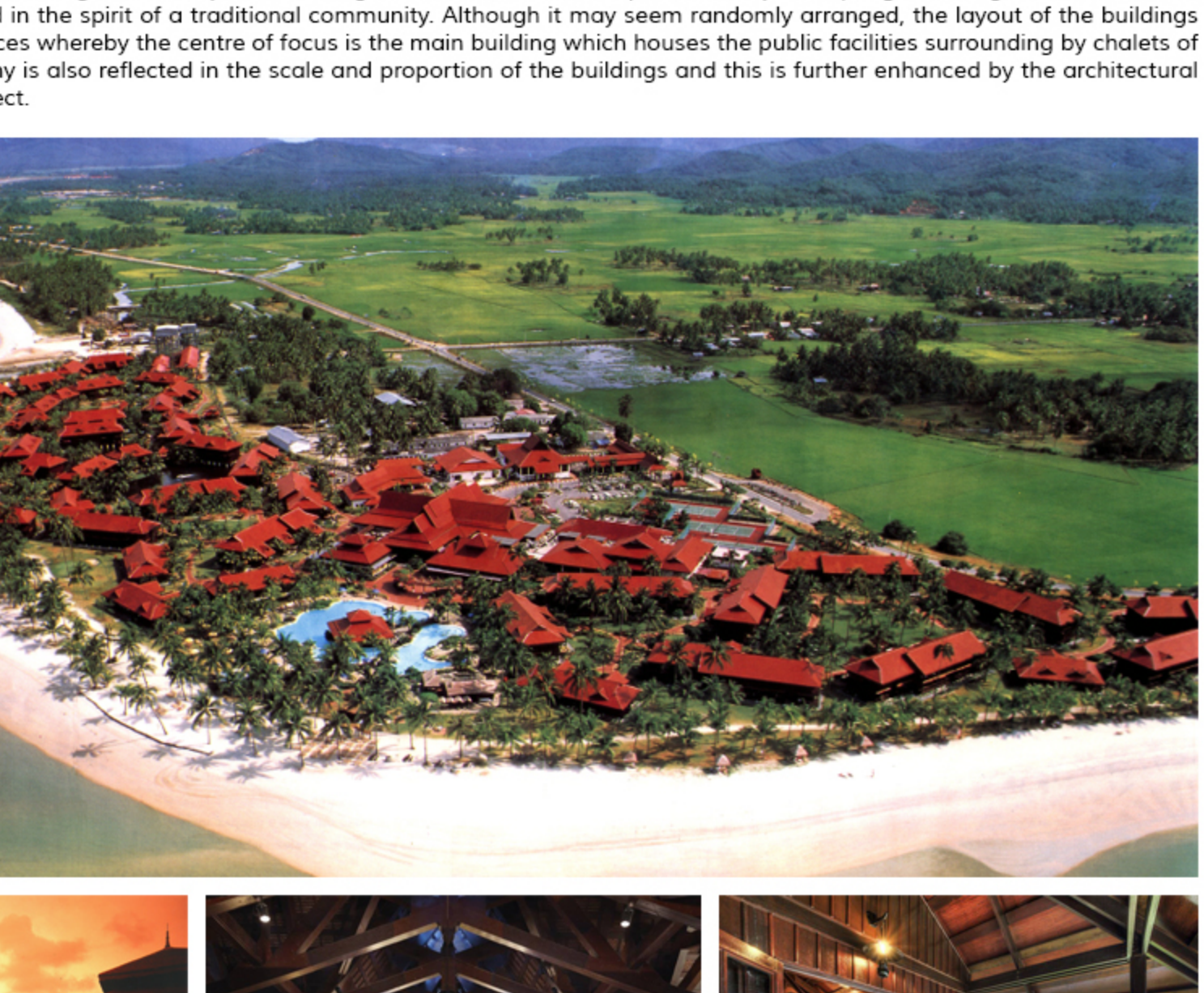
Hey Everyone!
Wishing Everyone Ramadhan Mubarak!
 In this month's E-news, we are delighted to focus on the recent merger of CTAP Architects of Singapore with the VERITAS Design Group to create VERITAS Singapore! Also, we are pleased to feature new extraordinary hospitality projects by the newly branded practice.

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VERITAS Singapore: A Personal Message from Principal

Greetings everyone from the "Little-Red-Dot" down South! It is indeed an honor to be welcomed as part of the VERITAS team and to be associated with the other VERITAS Design Group companies across the Globe. The close-knit culture of VERITAS is indeed amazing and we look forward to infusing it into ours.



With the merger, VERITAS Singapore hopes to complement the other companies in the group and to show forward as a multi-disciplinary organization and an ambitious goal is to achieve the resources available to us. Our belief that Architecture is a Symphony of Space, is not just about producing buildings or spaces but the creation of an atmosphere of international professional collaboration. Looking forward towards the future....

VERITAS ARCHITECTS Singapore! By Tan Cheng Kok - Country Principal

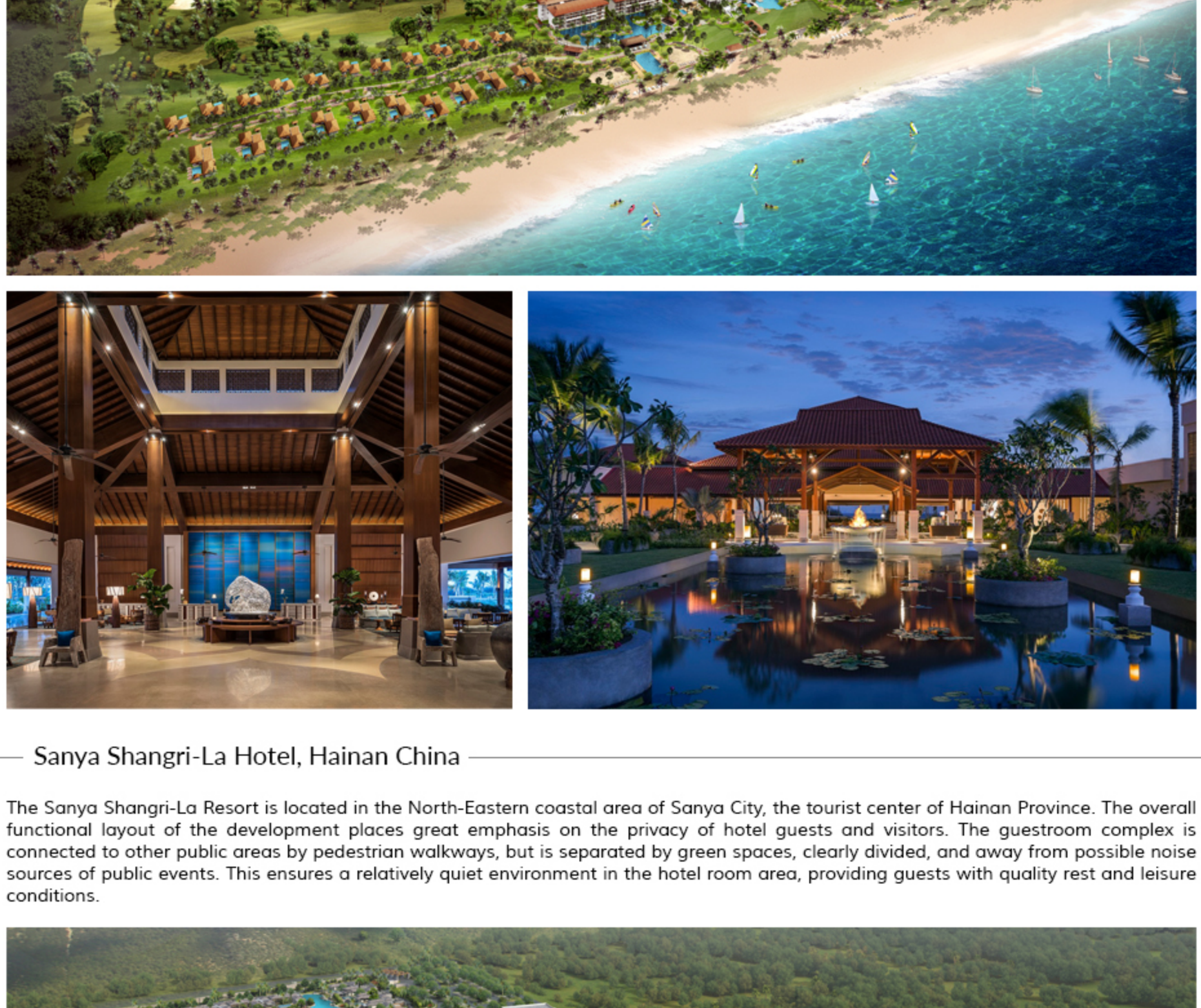
Pelangi Beach Resort, Langkawi

Pelangi Beach Resort in Pulau Langkawi, Malaysia was designed based on the concept of a Malay "Kampung" or Village. It is a collection of small buildings arranged in the spirit of a traditional community. Although it may seem randomly arranged, the layout of the buildings reflects the hierarchy of spaces whereby the centre of focus is the main building which houses the public facilities surrounding by chalets of different sizes. The hierarchy is also reflected in the scale and proportion of the buildings and this is further enhanced by the architectural details featured in the project.



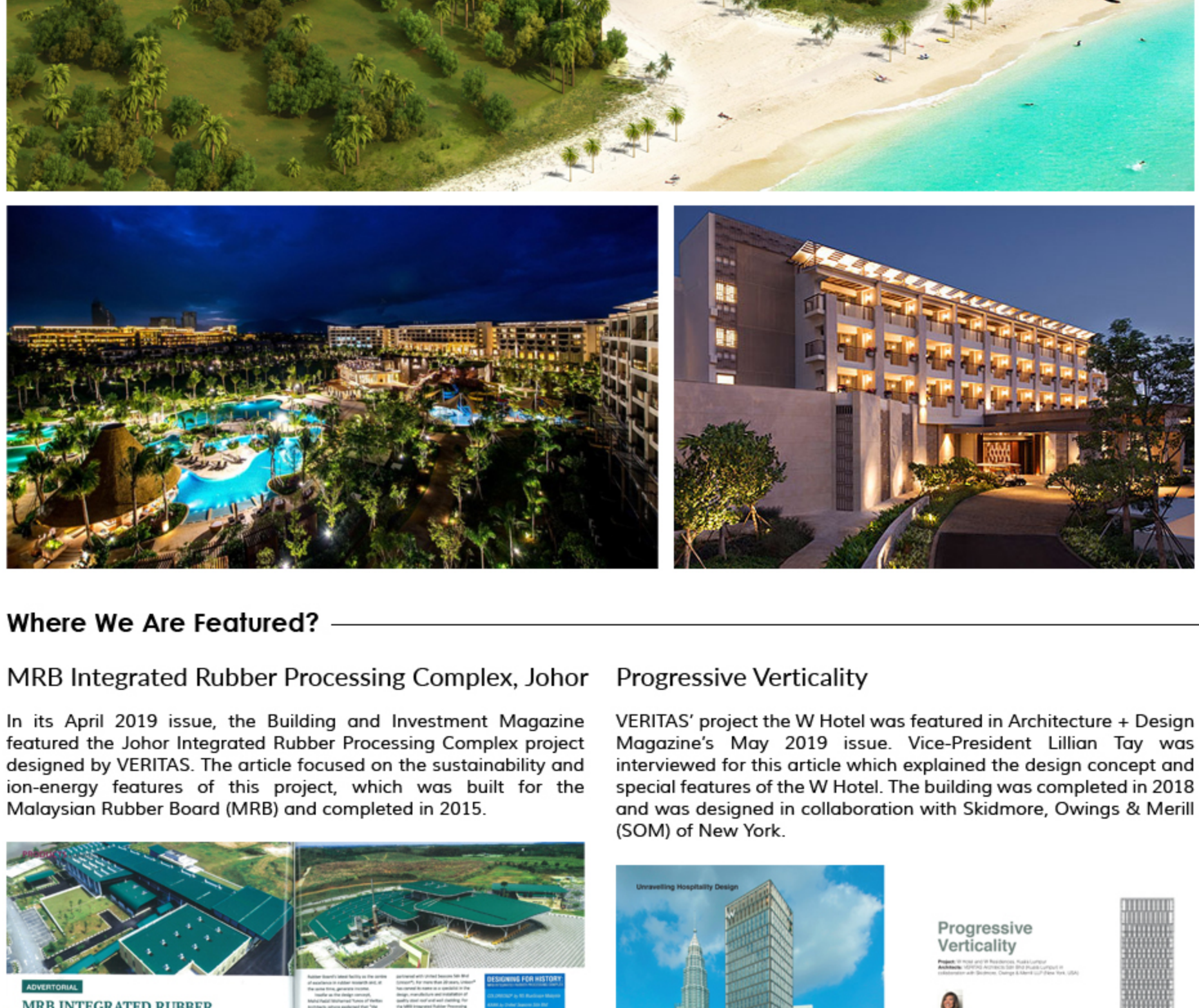
Pulau Springs Resort, Johor

This project was conceived with the owners' vision of a resort which reflects the richness of local Malaysian culture and heritage, while catering to the expectations of the club's Membership. Situated within the natural beauty of Gunung Pulai's surroundings on an elevated plateau, the clubhouse commands a majestic view of the golf course and is the focus of the whole development. The resort is a showcase of Malaysian architecture which reflects the cultural elements of the multi-ethnic population of the country.



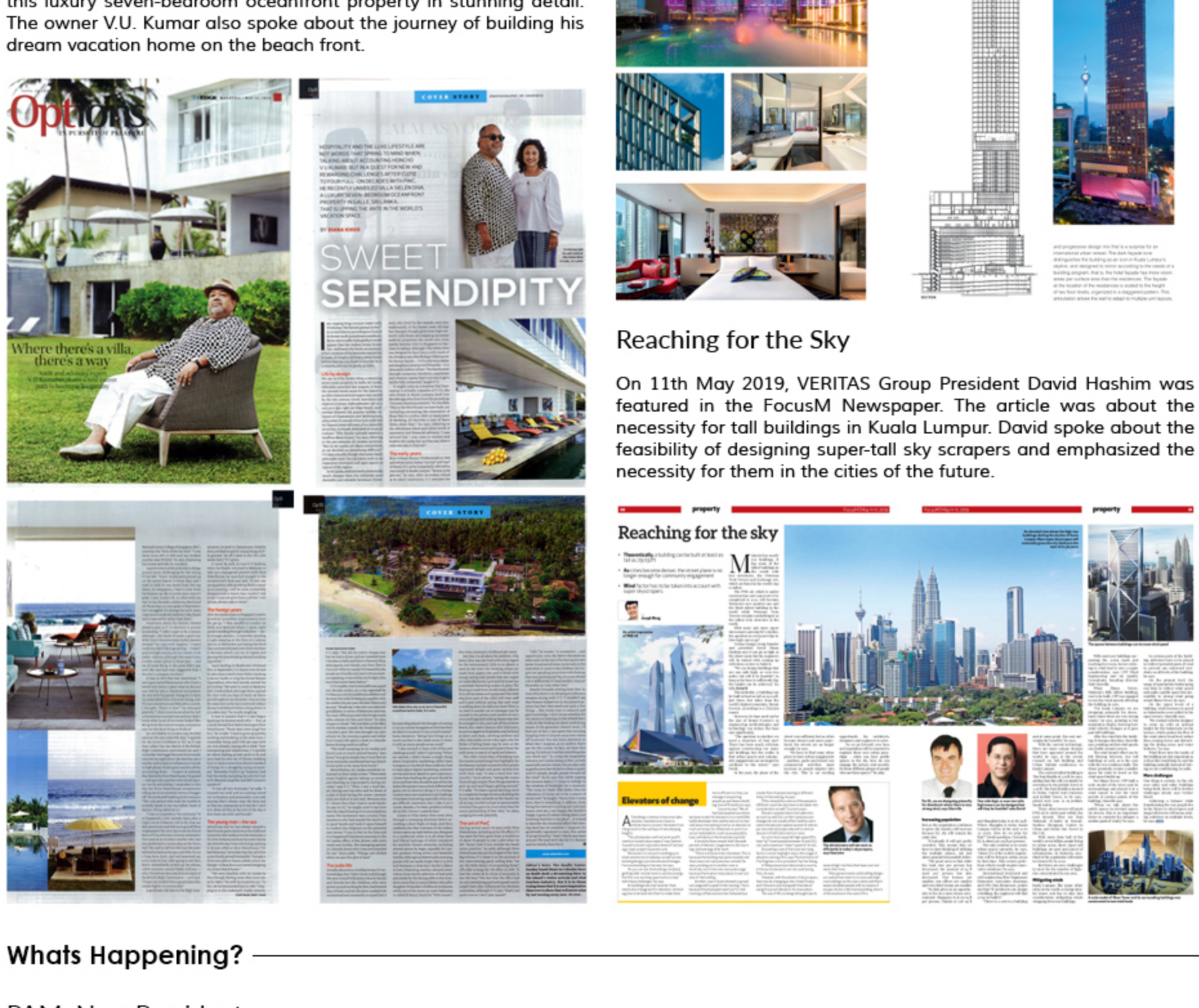
Shangri-La Hambantota Golf Resort & Spa, Sri Lanka

The 40-hectare site is located in Hambantota at the southern tip of the island and faces the sea and beach to the South and a lake to the East. The design strategy was to adopt the eclectic style of Sri Lankan architecture stripped down to a more minimalist approach. The structure is kept to basic geometric shapes with a play of shadow and light using texture, colours and simple detailing to evolve a tasteful, modern design.



Sanya Shangri-La Hotel, Hainan China

The Sanya Shangri-La Resort is located in the North-Eastern coastal area of Sanya City, the tourist center of Hainan Province. The overall functional layout of the development places great emphasis on the privacy of hotel guests and visitors. The guestroom complex is connected to other public areas by pedestrian walkways, but is separated by green spaces, clearly divided, and away from possible noise sources of public events. This ensures a relatively quiet environment in the hotel room area, providing guests with quality rest and leisure conditions.



Where We Are Featured?

MRB Integrated Rubber Processing Complex, Johor

In its April 2019 issue, The Building and Investment Magazine featured the Johor Integrated Rubber Processing Complex project. The article focused on the sustainability and ion-energy features of this project, which was built for the Malaysian Rubber Board (MRB) and completed in 2015.



Progressive Verticality

VERITAS' project the W Hotel was featured in Architecture + Design Magazine's May 2019 issue. Vice-President Lillian Tay was interviewed for this article which explained the design concept and special features of the W Hotel. The building was completed in 2018 and was designed in collaboration with Skidmore, Owings & Merrill (SOM) of New York.



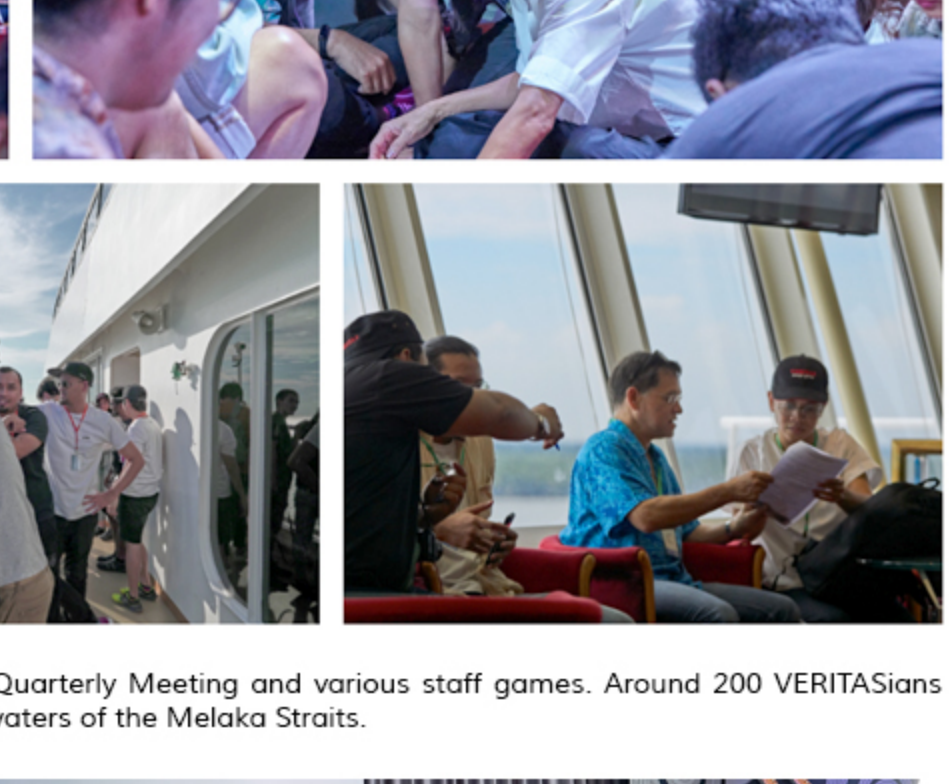
Sweet Serendipity

On 13th May 2019, VERITAS' project Villa Sielan, Galle Sri Lanka was featured in The Edge Malaysia newspaper. The article featured this luxury seven-bedroom oceanfront property in stunning detail. The owner VJ Kumar also spoke about the journey of building his dream vacation home on the beach front.



Reaching for the Sky

On 11th May 2019, VERITAS Group President David Hashim was featured in the FocusM Newspaper. The article was about the necessity for tall buildings in Kuala Lumpur. David spoke about the feasibility of designing super-tall sky scrapers and emphasized the necessity for them in the cities of the future.



Whats Happening?

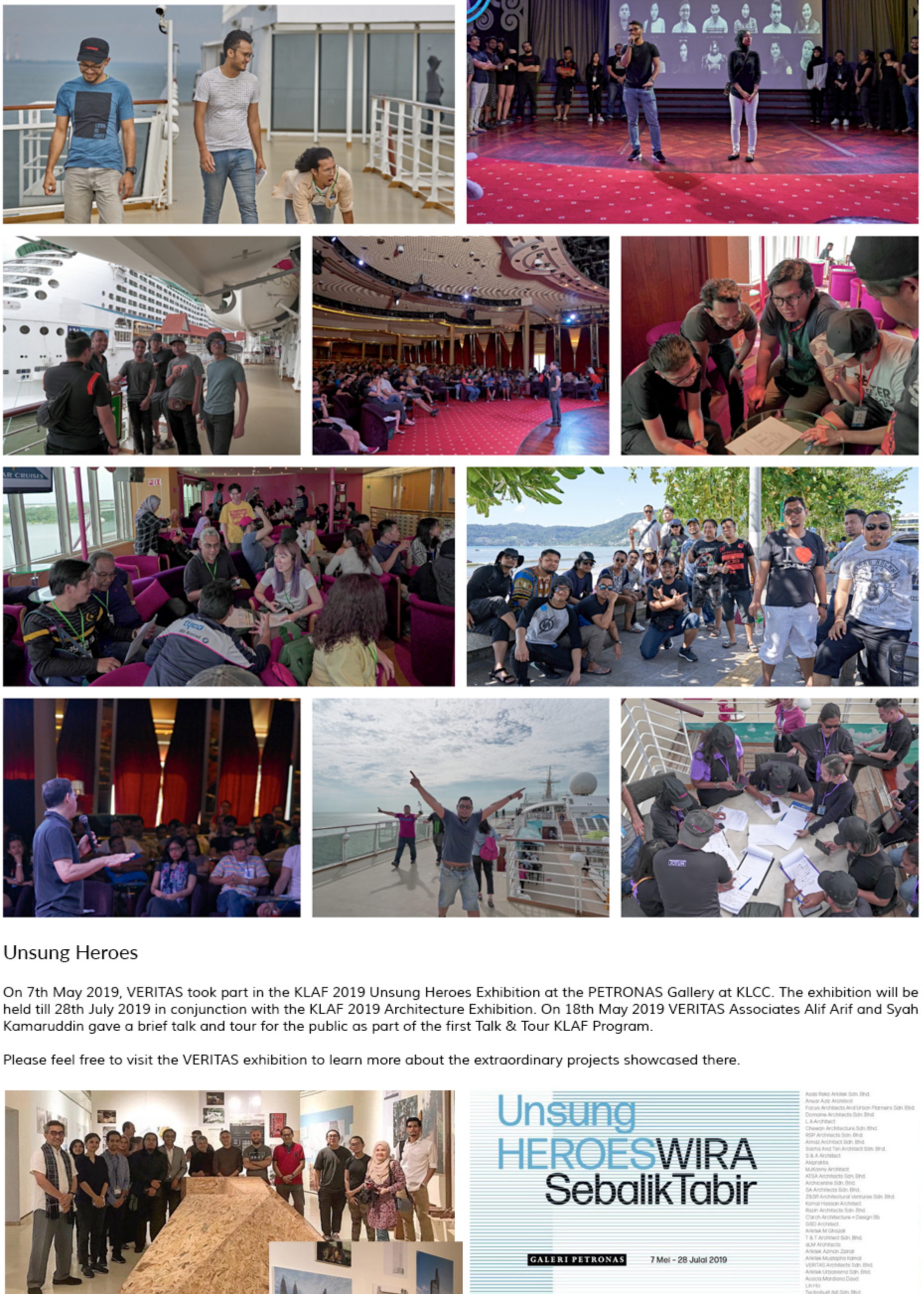
PAM: New President



We are proud to announce that on 27th April 2019 VERITAS Vice President Lillian Tay was elected President of Pertubuhan Akitek Malaysia (PAM) Malaysian Institute of Architects for the 2019-2020 term. Congratulations to Lillian!!!

VERITAS Staff Annual Retreat

This year the VERITAS annual staff retreat was held over 4 days and 3 nights on the Gemini Star Cruise from Port Klang to Phuket and Penang from 1st to 4th May 2019.



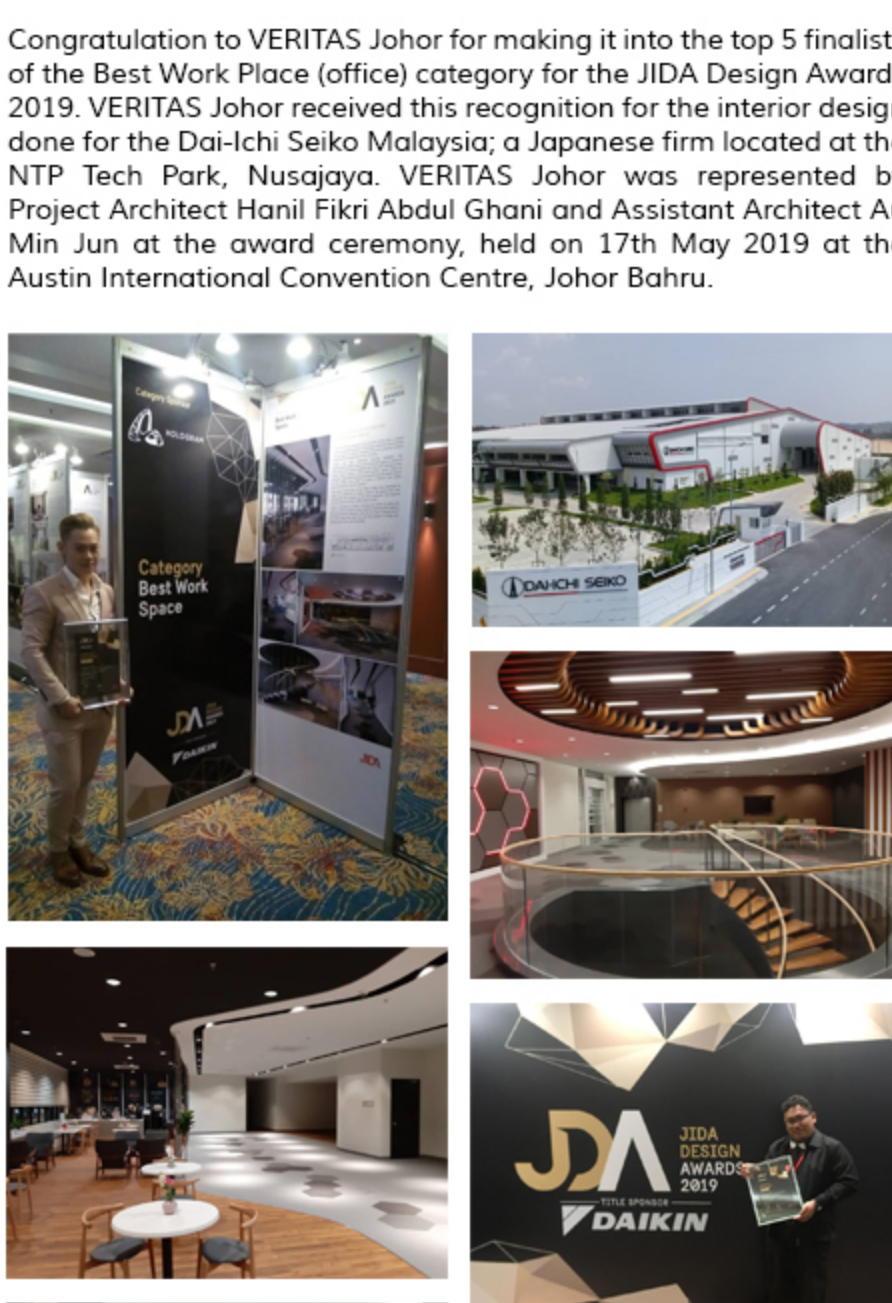
Unsung Heroes

On 7th May 2019, VERITAS took part in the KLAF 2019 Unsung Heroes Exhibition at the PETRONAS Gallery at KLCC. The exhibition will be held till 28th July 2019 in conjunction with the KLAF 2019 Architecture Exhibition. On 18th May 2019 VERITAS Associates Aif Arip and Syah Kamarudin gave a brief talk and tour for the public as part of the first Talk & Tour KLAF Program.



VERITAS Johor Iftar

On 15th May 2019, VERITAS Johor held its annual Iftar at the GBW Hotel, Johor Bahru. The event was organized by VERITAS Sports and Social Club (VSSC). Around 75 VERITASians and their family members attended the breaking of fast enjoying a wide spread of delicious cuisines.



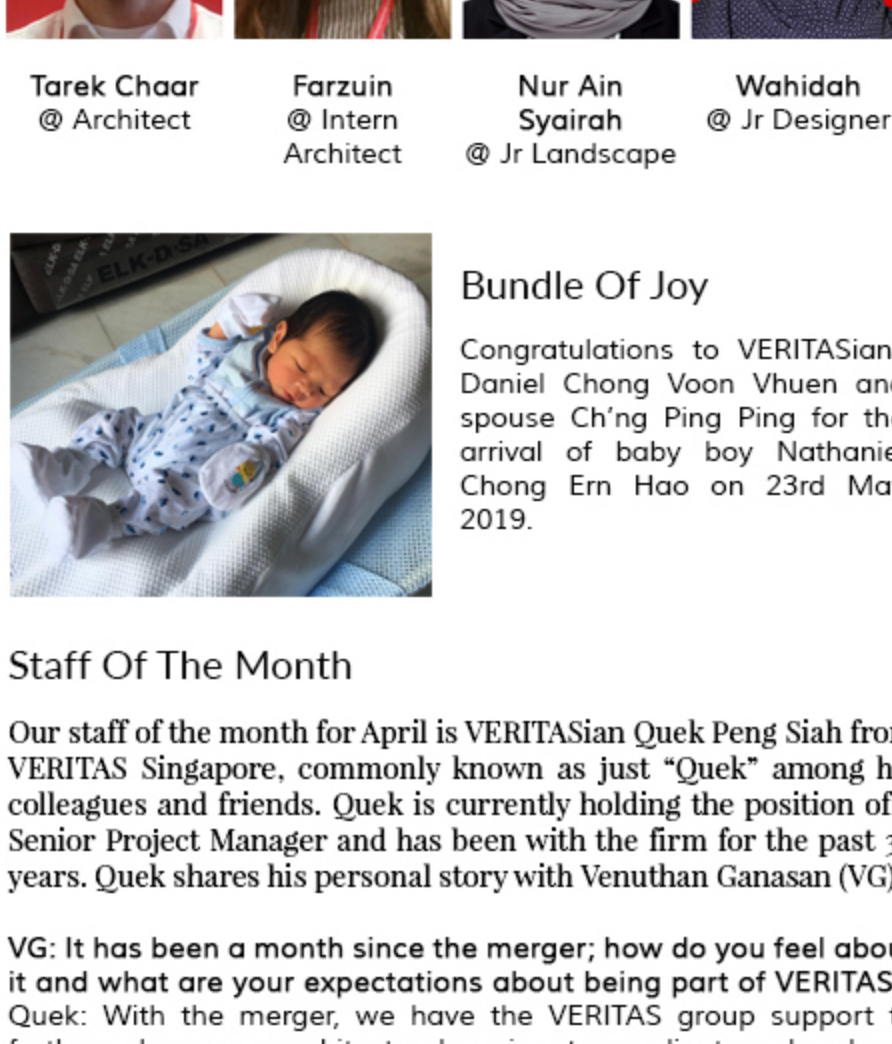
VERITAS Kuala Lumpur Iftar

On 16th May 2019, VERITAS Kuala Lumpur held its annual Iftar at the Traders Hotel, Kuala Lumpur. Around 200 VERITASians gathered to enjoy savory dishes to break fast with their Muslim colleagues. It was a heart-warming event organized by the Management and VERITAS Sports and Social Club (VSSC).



JIDA Design Awards 2019

Congratulations to VERITAS Johor for making it into the top 5 finalists of the Best Work Place (office) category for the JIDA Design Awards 2019. VERITAS Johor received this recognition for the interior design done for the Dai-ichi Sekko Malaysia, a Japanese firm located at the NTP Tech Park, Nusajaya. VERITAS Johor was represented by Project Architect Hanli Fikri Abdul Ghani and Assistant Architect Au Min Jun at the award ceremony, held on 17th May 2019 at the Austin International Convention Centre, Johor Bahru.



Ramadhan Charity Drive

On 22nd May 2019, the VERITAS Sports and Social Club (VSSC) held Ramadhan Charity Drive in collaboration with the VERITAS Fund for Excellence (VFE). VERITASians sponsored money and groceries which were delivered to "Pertubuhan Bantuan Kebajikan Kelurga Miskin Bandar Kuala Lumpur dan Selangor". An amazing effort by VSSC and VFE team!



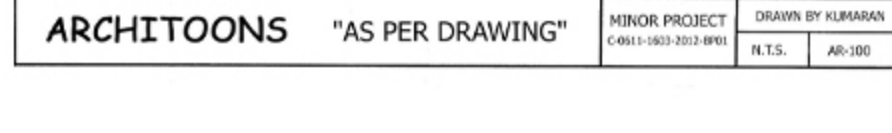
New Staff



Tarek Chahr - Architect
 Farziah - Architect
 Nur Aish - Jr Landscape
 Wahidah - Jr Designer

Bundle Of Joy

Congratulations to VERITASians Daniel Chong Von Vhuen and spouse Ch'ng Ping Ping for the arrival of baby boy Nathaniel Chong Em Hao on 23rd May 2019.



Staff Of The Month

Our staff of the month for April is VERITASian Quek Peng Siah from VERITAS Singapore, commonly known as just "Quek" among his colleagues and friends. Quek is currently holding the position of a Senior Project Manager and has been with the firm for the past 20 years. Quek shares his personal story with Venutnan Ganaman (VG):

VG: It has been a month since the merger, how do you feel about it and what are your expectations about being part of VERITAS?
 Quek: Hello everyone, my name is Quek Peng Siah (call me Quek) and I am a Senior Project Manager from VERITAS Singapore. I am pleased to be part of VERITASians. Hope to meet everyone at some point in the near future.

VG: How are you adapting to the changes in terms of the work culture?
 Quek: So far there is no change to the office working culture here yet but some changes according to the VERITAS corporate culture, a matter of adjusting / getting used to it.

GOOD DESIGN IS ALL ABOUT MAKING OTHER DESIGNERS FEEL LIKE IDIOTS BECAUSE THE IDEA WASN'T THEIRS.

WHO'S celebrating their BIRTHDAY - May

- 2nd - Zafriul Bin Shahriman
- 4th - Ahmad Afandi
- 12th - Valentin Junco Hernandez
- 13th - Didi Shafira, Zanarudin
- 16th - Noor Azlina
- 17th - Siti Jemaah
- 18th - Zami, Ng Jia Han, Eric Thern
- 21st - Zuhaimi, Mohd Razif
- 22nd - Syed Badrul
- 23rd - Muhammad Faris
- 25th - Mohammad Fareeq, Arumugam
- 26th - Amiruddin, Regina
- 27th - Azni Amir, Jamaludin
- 28th - Beatriz
- 29th - Noor Mariona,
- 30th - Mohd Roslan Abd. Hamid
- 31st - Sarfuddin, Allen Solomon
- 31st - Adrifahad, David

We hope you enjoy this month's VERITAS e-news! And please don't hesitate to contact us if you would like to know more about any of the stories featured here.

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