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Good Day to all our VERITAS readers! In this month's E-news we are delighted to feature 4 important underground stations in

Kuala Lumpur of our recently completed My Rapid Transit (MRT) project; at Bukit Bintang, Pasar Seni, Merdeka Stadium and Muzium Negara. This project builds upon a tradition of experience in rail projects, both heavy and light, to which VERITAS has extensively contributed since the late 1990's. We are also pleased to feature our VERITAS Third Staff Annual Quarterly Meeting and

many other interesting happenings here at VERITAS. We hope you will 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.

KLANG VALLEY MY RAPID TRANSIT (MRT)

3-line mass rapid transit system for the Greater Kuala Lumpur conurbation in Malaysia.

The Klang Valley Mass Rapid Transit (also known as the Klang Valley MRT) project is a



The MRT Project not only significantly expands the current inadequate commuter rail network, but will also serve to integrate all existing public transportation networks and alleviate the severe vehicular traffic congestion in the Greater KL metropolitan MY RAPID TRANSIT UNDERGROUND STATIONS: KUALA LUMPUR & SELANGOR The four underground stations comprise prominent metropolitan points of interchange

at strategic locations, i.e. Muzium Negara, Bukit Bintang, Pasar Seni and Stadium

Merdeka and involved city-scale infrastructural works. The fast-track design of the stations meant that a lot of emphasis was placed on the modularity and constructability of the building components. A template was thus developed to increase recognizability and way-finding, such that there is a visual continuity between all stations on an urban





stations for the first of these three line which was officially opened by the Prime Minister of Malaysia, Y.A.B. Dato'Sri Mohd Najib bin Tun Abdul Razak

on 17th July 2017.

design features glass cladding depicting traditional geometries. The station is 24m deep, and is connected to KL Sentral via an underpass below Jalan Damansara.

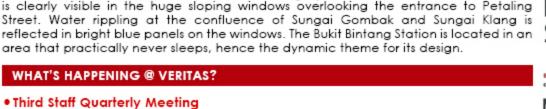


to the Plaza Rakyat LRT station via a pedestrian walkway. Patriotic images are featured on its concourse level, including the proclamation of Merdeka by the Late Tunku Abdul Rahman, Malavsia's first Prime Minister, and the featured wall within the station highlights the Rukunegara.

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of Malaysia's independence, due to its location near to where





On 4th August, VERITAS held its Third Staff Quarterly Meeting for 2017 at the Menara

Lembaga Getah Asli Auditorium. VERITAS Group President David Mizan Hashim gave a

The Pasar Seni Station is designed such that the **graphic nature** of the quartz substrate

short and inspiring introductory speech encouraging all VERITASians to adopt a resilient attitude towards work. He also related his experience visiting buildings and cities in the United Kingdom during his summer break.





Also, we had a quiz among the VERITASians and the first prize worth RM300 was won by • New Sunday Times/Sunday Vibes: Change or Principal Azif Nasarudin, second prize won by Ahmad Safwan and followed by third

prize Principal Shah Jaafar. The VERITAS Fund for Excellence also gave out payments

to those who use public transportation to/from work as encouragement for being

environmental friendly. The meeting ended with a scrumptious lunch.

VERITAS Johor Bahru Fishing Trip



On 7th August 2017, VERITASians from VERITAS

Architects JB and VERITAS Landscape, got

Around 8am they took fishing boat from

Endau/Rompin and sailed for four hours to the South China Sea. Mohd Fadzil, Khairil Izwan, Mohamad Zahir, Mohamad and Al Ratni had the top remunerating catch for the trip

together for a fishing expedition.

weighing in total of 60kg.

by the Prime Minister of Malaysia, Y.A.B.Dato'Sri Mohd Najib bin Tun Abdul Razak.

So WHO is the STAFF OF THE MONTH? Farah Yusof

On the morning of 9th August 2017, VERITAS was invited to attend the ECRL (East Coast

Rail Link) ground-breaking ceremony at Stesen Sentral, ECRL KotaSAS in Kuantan, Pahang. VERITAS Principal Ng Yeik Seng attended the ceremony, which was officiated

VG: What inspired you to join VERITAS? FY: I first joined VERITAS as an Architectural Assistant, and later came back as an Architect in 2014 mainly because of all the special people that work here, whom I consider my peers and mentors.

Our staff of the month is Architect Farah Yusof, or

commonly known as just "**Farah**" among all

VERITASians. She has been with VERITAS for more than

two years and one of her passions is pottery. Farah

Yusof (FY) shares her story with Venuthan Ganasan

VERITAS is like a rollercoaster, it has its highs and lows, but overall it can be a really exciting experience.

(VG):

VG: You have been with VERITAS for more than two years. What has been your proudest moment and biggest challenge so far?

FY: I've enjoyed working on so many different projects since being an AA. Although I was not involved in the construction of the recent MRT, I am proud to have been involved during its conceptual design and is really fulfilling to see some parts of the design remain and come into fruition.

VG: Do you find that working in VERITAS and balancing personal life has been a challenge ?

VG: Do you think being a woman is an advantage in the field of architecture ? FY: There should be no difference between the sexes regarding qualifications and skills.

VG: What do you think should be the primary capability of an architect? FY: Time management and the ability to know what you want and execute or

FY: I've made it a target for myself to always be trying something new. It is why I have taken up learning handcrafted skills like pottery, silk screen printing etc. It keeps me motivated and helps me become a better designer.

WHERE are we FEATURED?

PKNS opens 'smart office'

New headquarters with high-tech

On 4th August 2017, the PKNS (Perbadanan Kemajuan Negeri Selangor) project was featured in a high profile

STARMETRO: PKNS ,'smart office'

article in StarMetro. PKNS is an award winning project by VERITAS, which is a smart office and low energy building. It was officially opened by His Royal Highness the Sultan of Selangor, Sultan Sharifuddin Idris Shah 1st of August 2017 which coincided with the 53rd anniversary of the establishment of PKNS. Nazri: Property tourism can attract foreign investments

 Sunday Star - Nazri: Property tourism can attract foreign investments.

Also on 4th August 2017 VERITAS' project the M101 Skywheel was feautured in Sunday Star for its iconic

architectural design. This project is expected to attract foreign investments into Malaysia via property tourism. Malaysia's Tourism and Cultural Minister Datuk Seri Nazri Aziz also mentioned that the M101 design was **bold and** innovative and that this would lead Malaysia to become a champion of property tourism. **Exclusive design suites to**

top off KL's new twin towers Mixed-development in KL city centre designed by Studio F.A. Porsche THE OFFICIAL LAUNCH 301 Holdings 5dn 3hd has produced 94 limited series



On 12th August 2017, StarMetro featured VERITAS project M101 on its limited design suites. The exclusively

StarMetro - Exclusive Design Suites to Top-off KL's

New Twin Towers

designed luxurious service residences were said to encapsulate elegance, functionality and purism. The Skywheel Design suites of M101 was launched by Malaysia Tourism and Cultural Minister Datuk Seri Mohamed Nazri Abdul Aziz



featured in an Edge article highlighting the importance of BIM (Building Information Modeling) in architecture. Azif listed the benefits of BIM to assist in

the calculation of building material's quantity and energy performance. It also allows the inclusion of specific products into the documentation process and by making 3D simulations as realistic as possible.



in three layouts - 2-bedroom (1,018 sq ft),1+1 bedr BY HANNAH RAFEE 100 mere sayous – 2-0 encoom (1,00 s of 10,174 occ.) (909 sq ft) and 1+1 bedroom (879 sq ft) – and are pr from RM3,500 psf. Facilities on the 78th floor wil clude an infinity pool, gym and sunna. Design Swites will have a masculine, minimalist thetic, with red oak, marble and leather accents. (101 Holdings Sdn Bhd unveiled its Design Suites at the M101 Skywheel development in Jalan Tun Razak, Kuala Lumpur, on Aug 5.The 94 units will be exclusively designed onyx and charcoal-toned materials will be used for by Studio E.A. Porsche. M101 Holdings CEO Datuk Seth Yap says, M101 is very pleased to be working with Studio E.A. Porinteriors with steel window frames and black glass.] unit will come with Studio F.A. Porsche-designed, h tech appliances in the kitchen and entertainment: According to the developer, the spaces in De

Suites will be easily separated and interchangeable

example, the kitchen can be transformed into a bo entertainment area by moving the kitchen divider suites will have television sets that are invisibly ited into glass surfaces. Other feature a luxury watch compartment, a concealed bed, a

display and a smart nome automation system.

Design Sulties form part of M101 Skywheel, whit named after the proposed Ferris wheel on the S2nd 1 With a gross development value of RMLs billion, the third and largest M101 projects of ar—the other are in Jalan Dang Wangi and Bukit Bintang. The pro

are in Johan Daily wangs and south entitings, in the visit stargeted at local and foreign investors.

MIOI Skywheel will have two 78-storey towers 1,11 small offices, flexible offices (SoFos) — with b ups of 400 to 810 sq ft and priced at RML,200 to RMJ psf — and 94 Design Suites by Studio F.A. Porsche. suites will be located on the 53rd to the 76th floors Occupying a two-acre freehold parcel, the deve ment will house Asia's first Planet Hollywood H with 207 rooms. Linking the two towers on the 481 52nd floors will be offices and the Skymall, which

offer 200,000 sq ft of retail space. M101 Skywheel is targeted to be completed by 202

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kywheel has garnered a lot of international attention ince the groundbreaking ceremony [in September last ear]. At M101 Skywheel, you are not only purchasing a ouse, you are indulging in a premium living experi-nce with like-minded people," says Yap. Minister of Tourism and Culture Datuk Seri Mohamed Nazri Abdul Aziz unveiled Design Suites. "While other developers are looking at bread-and-butter products, M101 has taken a bold, innovative step to champion property tourism.And by partnering internsticeal brands such as Studio F.A. Porsche and Planet Hollywood, M101

not only excites the property scene, but also the local

not only excites the property scene, but also the local economy," says Nazri.

For the unveiling, more than 60 Porsche cars drove in convoy to the M101 sales gallery in Jalan Yap Kwan Seng. Also present was Studio F. A. Porsche managing director Roland Heiler. "M101 Skywheel is currently one of the most significant real estate projects for our studio. The idea of reinventing the way people live in a luxurious and sophisticated environment is perfectly in line with our design philosophy."

Design Suites by Studio F.A. Porsche is scheduled to

line with our design philosophy." Design Suites by Studio F.A. Porsche is scheduled to be completed in 2020. It has a gross development value of RM325 million. The fully furnished units will come The Edge Malaysia - M101 Holdings unveils Design Suites by Studio F.A. Porsche

On 13th August 2017, the Edge featured the Porsche Design Suites of VERITAS' M101 project. The Porsche

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Design Suites will indulge the buyers in a **premium living experience** inspired by the interior finishing of the Porsche automobile. M101 is also one of the tallest and most significant real estate projects in the country.



VERITAS ARCHITECTS SDN BHD (KL): Nur Sofia Bt Mohamed Ghazemy 1st, Juraini Binti Jantan 5th, Zairul Adam B Mohd Azni 6th, 'Nekmat Bin Abu 7th, Ann Santana A/P Francis 8th, Leo Firdaus Bin Suliyo 8th, Maryasin Bin Rumfari 14th, Syed Luqman B Syed Omar 16th, Izzarni Bt Abd Shukor 18th, Siti Nurhajar Alas

18th, Latha A/P Ramasamy 19th, Hairulnizar B. Pardi 21st, Mohd Faizal B Mamat@Rahmat 24th, Rozaini Bin Majid 24th, Azlisham Bin Kassim 25th, Liew Chee Thung @ Thomas Liew 25th, Azlisham Bin Kassim 25th, Noorhisham Bin Mokhtar 25th, Che Amaludin Bin Che Harun 25th, Saniah Binti Ibrahim 26th, Mohd Firdaus Bin Ahmat 28th **/ERITAS INTERIORS**: Jimmy Othman 30th, Heriza Binti Hamdan 10th

/ERITAS ARCHITECTS SDN BHD (PENANG): Noor Saiful

• So WHO are the NEWCOMERS at VERITAS?

Bin Safie 9th, Nur Syazleen Sherman 10th

Chun Chu VERITAS ARCHITECTS SDN BHD

Senior Architect: Shahreza Bin Saiful Mulok Resident Architect: Mohd Zairi Bin Md Isa, Muhammad Dani Bin Hussain Assistant Architect: Sharifah Rahmah Bte Syed Mustafa Kamal, Kee Ting Ting, Mohamad Sadeeq Bin Mohamad





the arrival of baby, Danial bin Yazid 18th August 2017