

PREFACE

Dear Valued Readers,

Assalamu'alaikum wrt. wbt.

Welcome again. Frank appreciations to all our readers for taking time and interest to read and review our Second Issue of the Second Volume of the Design Ideals Journal. This issue offers nine articles from our faculty and students as well as international writers that specializing in the fields of architecture, planning, landscaping architecture, quantity surveying, building technology and engineering, applied arts and design. Following the previous issue, since there is a general lacking of intellectual articles and research reports, either collectively or individually, that are related to Malaysia and the Islamic perspectives, it is our commitment to continually producing a journal specially devoted to design to be a well-thought-of by built environment community. As such, the fundamental aim of the Design Ideals Journal continues to offer a platform for the students, lecturers and practitioners to extend their practical trust for nourishing the readers, be its general, students or professional alike.

The Design Ideal Journal offers an opening for researchers, research students, and practitioners to share their views, theoretical and empirical research findings; and readers, especially academics and students to pander and value from its contents. Keenly , we welcome the research reports and theoretical papers, short practice notes, design reviews and abstracts from portfolios and design theses on any aspects of architecture, urban and regional planning, landscape architecture, applied arts and design, and other fields related to the built environment discipline. As promised, this year we manage to publish two issues to meet our expectation for a six-monthly publication. Apart from regular issues, we hope an additional issue in the forms of Special Issue will be offered to the readers in the future. As usual, we encourage an inspiring feedback from readers of this issue. Enjoy your reading.

Editor-In-Chief