

PREFACE

Assalamu'alaikum wrt. wbt. and dear all,

It is observed that in the specialized fields of architecture, planning, landscaping architecture, quantity surveying, building technology and engineering, applied arts and design, and others but related to the built environment there is a general lack of scholarly views and research reports, either collectively or individually, that are closest to Malaysia, Asian and the Islamic perspectives. Consequently, the Kulliyyah of Architecture and Environmental Design at the International Islamic University Malaysia (KAED, IIUM) considers it to be timely and appropriate for a journal i.e. Journal of Architecture, Planning and Construction Management (JAPCM) to be established. The key aim of JAPCM is therefore to provide a platform for such 'gap' in the body of knowledge to be addressed.

JAPCM offers an opportunity for researchers, research students, practitioners and authors to share their views, theoretical and empirical research findings; and readers, especially academics and students to appreciate and benefit from its contents. Research reports and theoretical papers, short practice notes, book reviews and abstracts from Masters and Phd theses and dissertations are welcome on any aspects of architecture, planning, landscaping architecture, quantity surveying, building technology and engineering, applied arts and design, and others but related to the built environment.

It is with immense pleasure that I present to all this inaugural issue of JAPCM.

Happy reading.

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