



CHOOSING THE RIGHT QUALIFICATION FOR YOUR ENGINEERING CAREER

Part 1: Why Engineering?

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The Engineering Profession in Malaysia:

Benchmarked against the World's Best

➤ Recognised International

It is the Profession of Choice !

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Outline of Presentation

WHAT ENGINEERS CAN DO

Engineering for National Development

BEM & the Engineering Profession

International Recognition of Malaysian Engineers

CONCLUSION: Engineering, the Profession of Choice !

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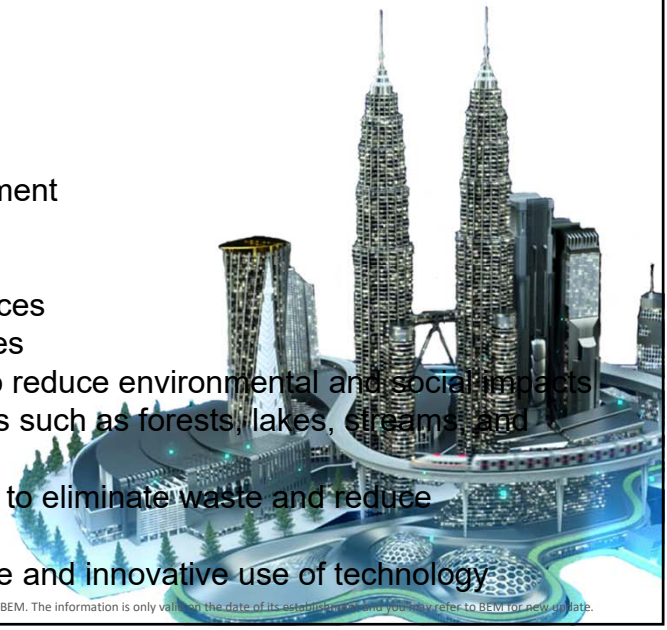
What engineers can do...

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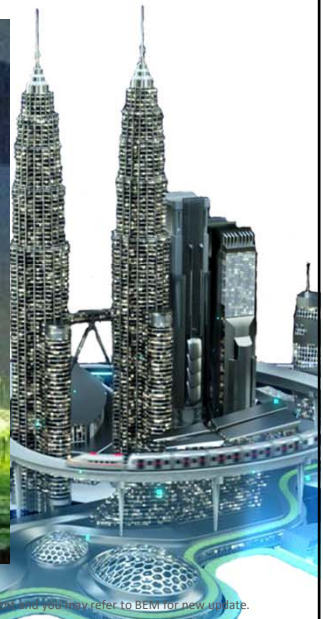


What engineers can do:


- Transportation
- Buildings & Structures
- Housing and shelter
- Water supply
- Food production
- Sanitation and waste management
- Energy development
- Industrial processing
- Development of natural resources
- Cleaning up polluted waste sites
- Sitting and planning projects to reduce environmental and social impacts
- Restoring natural environments such as forests, lakes, streams, and wetlands
- Improving industrial processes to eliminate waste and reduce consumption
- Recommending the appropriate and innovative use of technology





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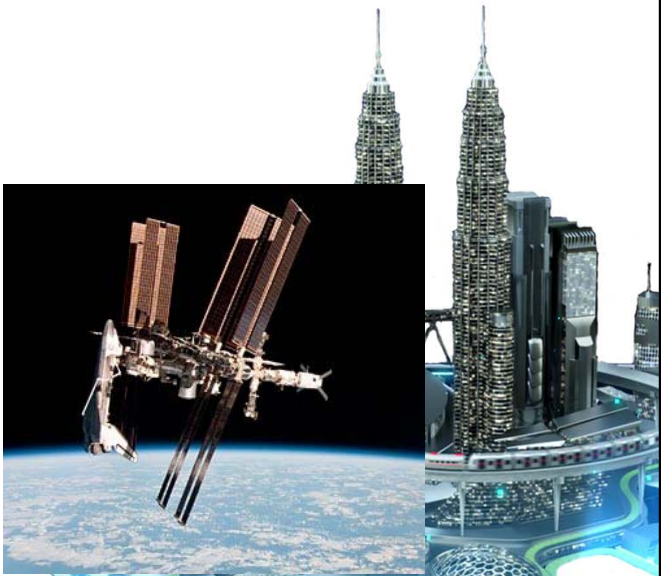




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MEGA PROJECTS

- 1) Pan Borneo Highway RM30 billion
- 2) Ipoh-Padang Besar Double-Track Railway RM10 billion
- 3) Extension of Existing LRT Lines in Klang Valley RM10 billion
- 4) 40km KL - LRT Line RM10 billion
- 5) Trans-Peninsular Oil Pipeline RM25 billion
- 6) High-Speed Train to Singapore ? RM8 billion
- 7) Hulu Langat Water Treatment Project, Selangor RM5 billion
- 8) Pahang-Selangor Inter-state Water Transfer RM4 billion
- 9) West Coast Highway RM3.05 billion
- 10) Penang Monorail RM1.2 billion to RM1.6 billion
- 11) River Cleaning Project RM1 billion




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Engineering for National Development




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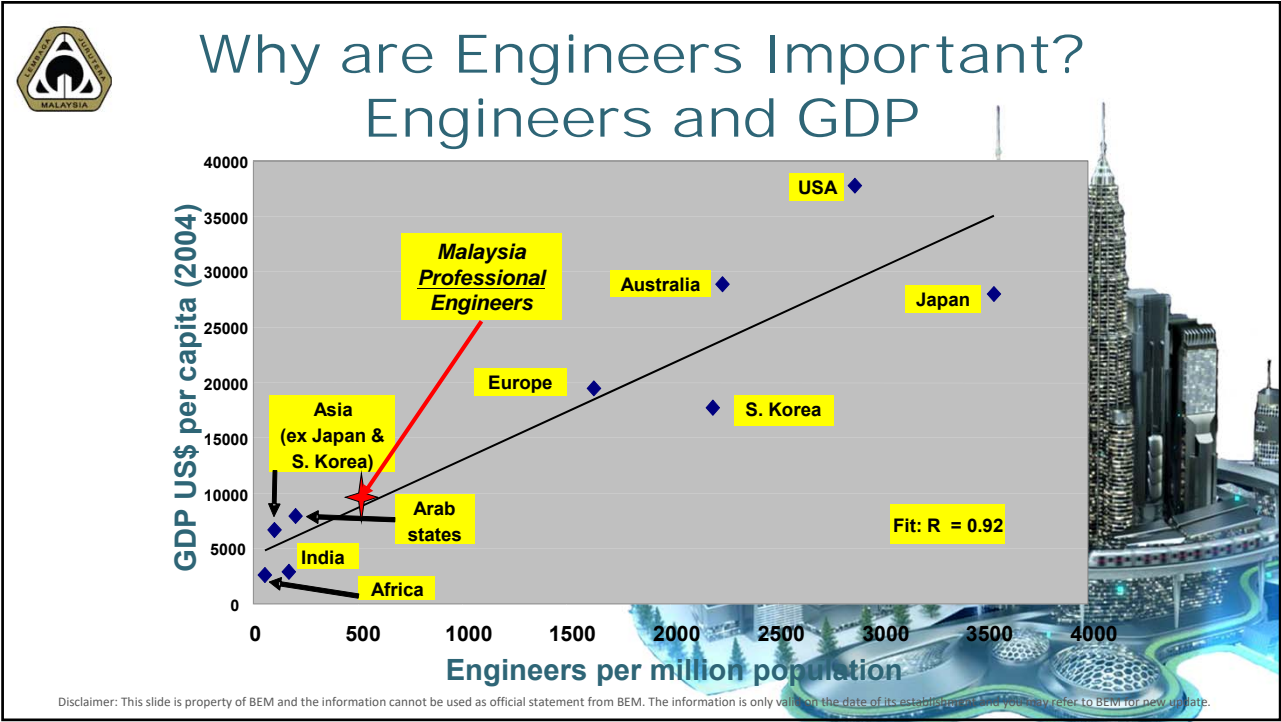
The increasing demand for engineers in developing countries


Case of Malaysia - typical



Thailand
MALAYSIA
POPULATION: 25 MILLION
Kuala Lumpur
Kota Kinabalu
Sumatra
Kalinantan
West Malaysia (peninsular)
East Malaysia (Sabah and Sarawak in Borneo Island)
Malaysian Council of Engineering Deans


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Engineer-Population ratios

	Population	Number of Registered Engineers	Engineer-Population ratio
Malaysia	32 million	146,000	1:218
Japan	126 million	2.5 million <small>(Stats Bureau Japan 2000)</small>	1:50
Germany	82 million	1,000,000	1:82
United Kingdom	60 million	425,000	1:141



Data includes both engineers & engineering technologists

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Malaysia needs more engineering professionals for national development





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The Engineering Team



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Registration of Engineers Act (1967) & its Regulations - AMENDMENTS 2015

Registers & regulates

THE ENGINEERING TEAM:

1. Engineers
 2. Engineering Technologists
 3. Inspectors of Works (technicians)
- (new in red)*



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Who is the Engineering Technologist?

- The Practical Oriented Engineer



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THE ENGINEERING TEAM

- Entry level qualifications

1. Engineers

2. Engineering Technologists

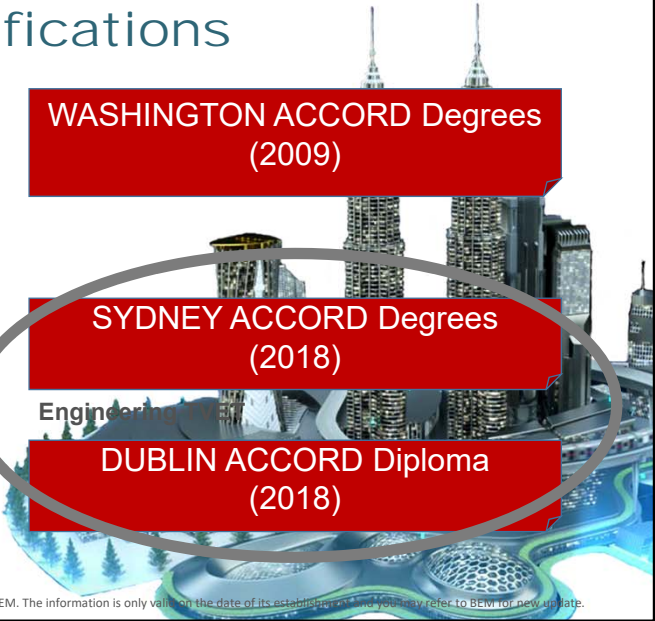
3. Inspectors of Works (technicians)

WASHINGTON ACCORD Degrees (2009)

Engineering Technologists


SYDNEY ACCORD Degrees (2018)

DUBLIN ACCORD Diploma (2018)



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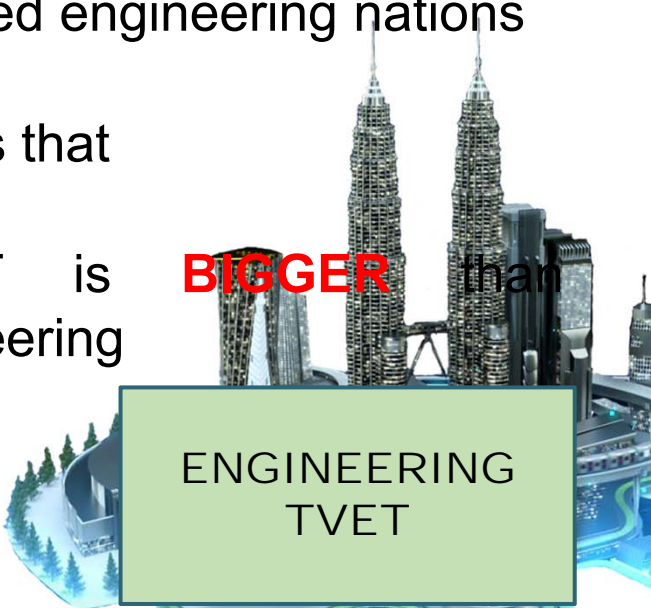
The mark of advanced engineering nations

is that


Engineering TVET is **BIGGER** than Conventional Engineering

CONVENTIONAL ENGINEERING

ENGINEERING TVET



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Engineering TVET should be bigger than conventional engineering


CONVENTIONAL ENGINEERING EDUCATION

ENGINEERING TVET

Bachelor of Engineering at **Washington Accord** level

Diploma in Engineering or Engineering Technology at **Dublin Accord** level

Bachelor of Engineering Technology at **Sydney Accord** level



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BEM STATISTICS

as at 23.11.2022

Registered Persons (**Total: 198,026**)

177,252	Graduate Engineers
22,335	Professional Engineers (PE)
10,675	PEs with Practising Certificate
12,979	Engineering Technologists
8,599	Inspectors of Works (IOWs)

The mission of BEM & the nation is to increase the number of engineering professionals to reach 320k

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BEM

and the

Engineering Profession


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Board of Engineers Malaysia (BEM)

An independent statutory body by Act of Parliament


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Corporate Focus

Vision
An authoritative body of international standing that regulates engineering practices.

Mission
Regulate engineering services , conforming to professional ethics and international best practices, in ensuring public safety.



COMMITTED TO ENGINEERING EXCELLENCE
BEM NEW TAGLINE

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Understanding The Different Roles

Board of Engineers Malaysia (BEM)

The Board of Engineers Malaysia (BEM) is a **statutory body** constituted under the Registration of Engineers Act 1967. Its primary role is to **regulate** the practice of engineering under the Act and its provisions to protect public interest.

Registration with BEM is **mandatory** if to practice engineering.

Institution of Engineers Malaysia (IEM)

A **professional & learned body** registered under the Registrar of Society to **promote** science & profession of engineering in any of its disciplines, to facilitate the exchange of information & ideas related to engineering as well as networking, learning and socializing.

Registration with IEM is **voluntary**.

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Understanding The Different Roles

Malaysian Board of Technologist (MBOT)

The Malaysian Board of Technologist (MBOT) is a **statutory body** constituted under the Technologist and Technicians Act 2015. Its primary role is to **recognize** Technologist and Technician as professionals.

Registration with MBOT is **voluntary**.


Malaysian Society for Engineering and Technology (MySET)

A **professional & learned body** registered under the Registrar of Society to **promote** of engineering and technology, to facilitate the exchange of information & ideas related to engineering & technology, as well as networking, learning and socializing.

Registration with MySET is **voluntary**.

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There is a need to regulate the THE ENGINEERING TEAM

1. Engineers

2. Engineering Technologists


3. Inspectors of Works (technicians)

Including accreditation of their education, benchmarked against world standards, hence:


WASHINGTON ACCORD
(2009)

SYDNEY ACCORD
(2018)


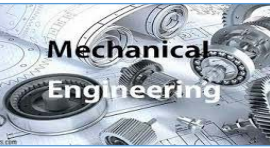
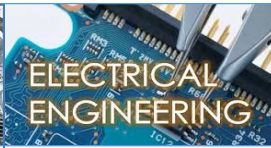
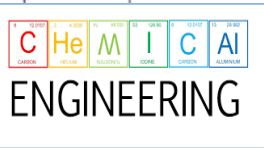
DUBLIN ACCORD
(2018)

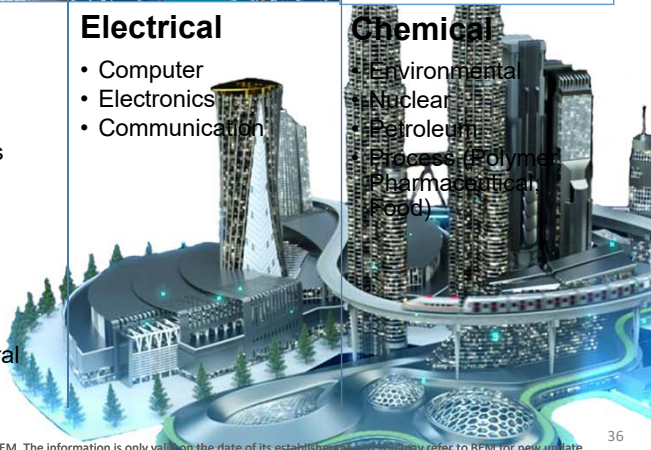


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Engineering Branch/Discipline

 CIVIL ENGINEERING	 Mechanical Engineering	 ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING	 C H E M I C A L ENGINEERING
Civil <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Building• Construction• Environment• Geotechnical• Mining• Structural• Transportation	Mechanical <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Aerospace• Agricultural• Automotive• Building Services• Manufacturing• Marine• Material• Mechatronic• Metallurgy• Mining• Naval Architectural• Nuclear	Electrical <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Computer• Electronics• Communication	Chemical <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Environmental• Nuclear• Petroleum• Process (Polymer, Pharmaceutical, Food)



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Mandatory Registration for Employment

Section 7(2) (a)

“a **Graduate Engineer** who is registered with the Board may subject to section 8, take up employment which **requires him to perform professional engineering services**”

Section 7(2) (aa)

“an **Engineering Technologist** who is registered with the Board may subject to section 8, take up employment which **requires him to perform professional engineering services**”

Section 7(2) (ab)

“an **Inspector of Works** who is registered with the Board may subject to section 8, take up employment which **requires him to assist Professional Engineers in supervision of engineering works**”

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Interpretation

“Professional engineering services”

- means engineering services and advice in connection with any feasibility study, planning, survey, design, construction, commissioning, operation, maintenance and management of engineering works or projects and includes ~~any other engineering services~~ approved by the Board.

“Engineering work”

- means all works which include any publicly or privately owned public utilities, buildings, machines, equipment, processes, works or projects that require the application of engineering principles and data.

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Penalty

Section 24(h)

"Any person, sole proprietorship, partnership or body corporate who contravenes section 7 or 8 or subsection 7A(1), 24A(1) or 24B(5) shall be guilty of an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding fifty thousand ringgit, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three years, or to both."



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International Recognition of Malaysian Engineering Graduates



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INTERNATIONAL ENGINEERING ALLIANCE (IEA)



The Engineering Profession in Malaysia: Benchmarked Against the World's Best



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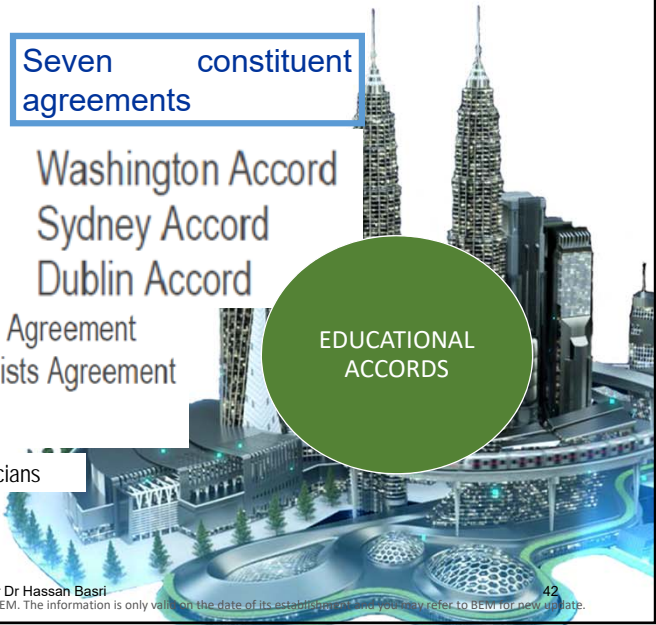
Seven constituent agreements

Washington Accord
Sydney Accord
Dublin Accord

COMPETENCE AGREEMENTS

International Professional Engineers Agreement
International Engineering Technologists Agreement
APEC Engineer Agreement
Agreement for International Engineering Technicians



EDUCATIONAL ACCORDS



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WASHINGTON ACCORD
(2009)

SYDNEY ACCORD
(2018)

DUBLIN ACCORD
(2018)

MULTINATIONAL AGREEMENTS FOR
THE MUTUAL RECOGNITION OF ENGINEERING
ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN
EDUCATION PROGRAMMES

Among signatory countries:

- substantial equivalency of accreditation systems

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Washington Accord Signatories

1. Australia

2. Canada

3. China

4. Chinese Taipei - Taiwan

5. Hong Kong China

6. India

7. Ireland

8. Japan

9. Korea

10. Malaysia

11. New Zealand

12. Russia

13. Singapore

14. South Africa

15. Sri Lanka

16. Turkey

17. United States

18. United Kingdom

19. Pakistan

20. Peru

21. Costa Rica



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Sydney Accord Signatories

1. Australia

2. Canada

3. Chinese Taipei - Taiwan

4. Hong Kong China

5. Ireland

6. Korea

7. Malaysia

8. New Zealand

9. South Africa

10. United States

11. United Kingdom



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Dublin Accord Signatories

1. Australia

2. Canada

3. Ireland

4. Korea

5. Malaysia

6. New Zealand

7. South Africa

8. United States

9. United Kingdom



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Washington Accord – Signatory since 2009 Sydney & Dublin Accords – Signatories since 2018

- Accepted as a **Full Signatory** after rigorous peer review by other signatories (by USA, Australia, Hong Kong and Ireland).
- Implication:
Mutual recognition of academic programmes that underpin the educational base for Engineering, Engineering **Technologists** and **Engineering Technicians**.
- The qualifications accredited by signatories are recognised by each other as being **substantially equivalent** for practice of engineering at the appropriate level within the engineering team.

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SIGNIFICANCE OF ACCORD MEMBERSHIP

- an endorsement that the engineering education system has demonstrated a

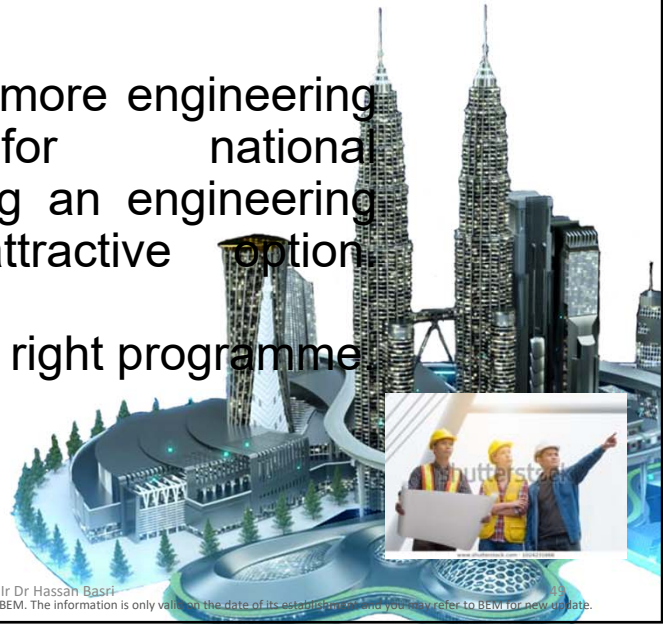
strong, long-term commitment to quality assurance

in producing engineers, engineering technologists & engineering technicians ready for industry practice in the international scene.

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- As Malaysia needs more engineering professionals for national development, having an engineering career is an attractive option.
 - But do choose the right programme



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Accredited Engineering Degree
- 329 programs at 48 IHLs



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Accredited Engineering Technology Degree – 74 programs at 16 IHLs



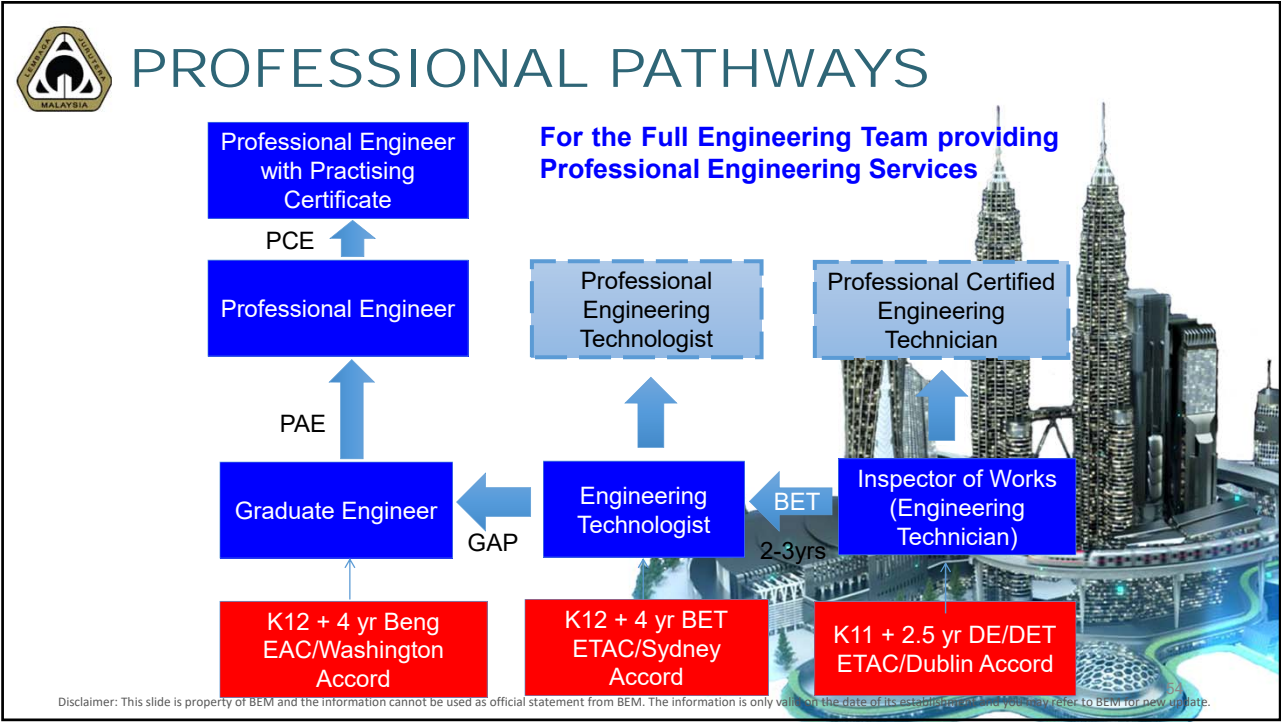
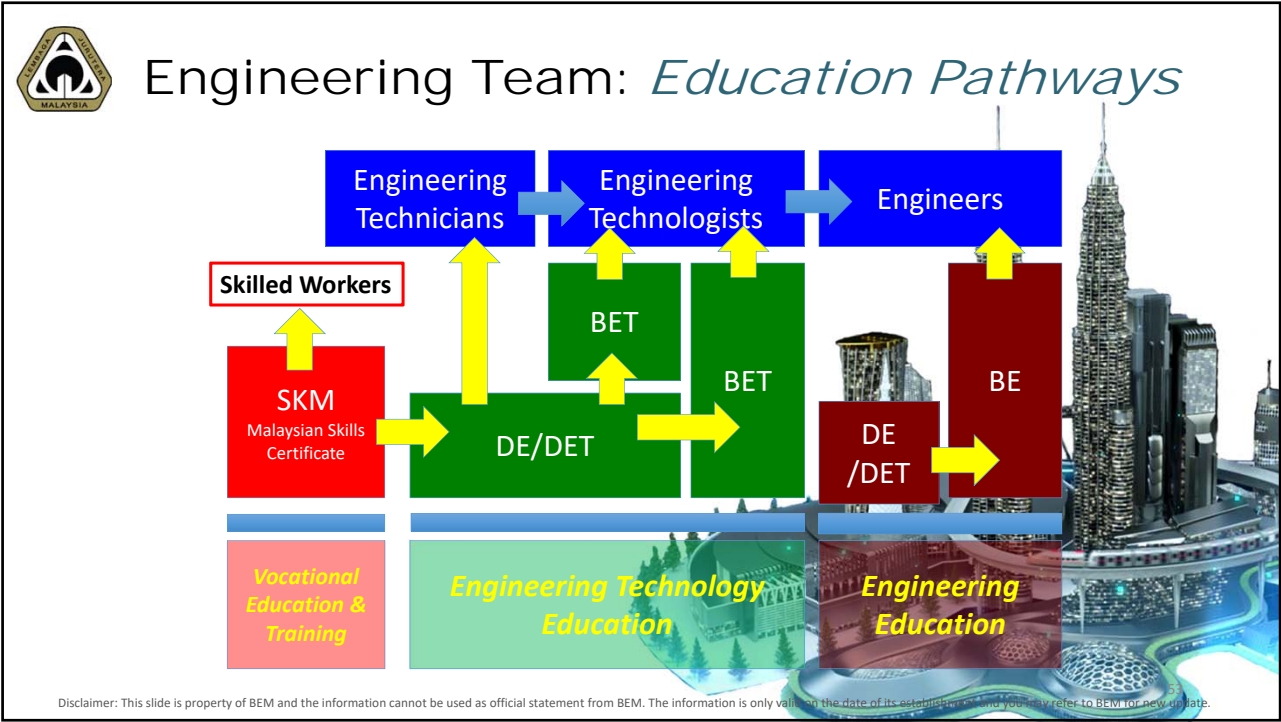
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**YOU WILL HAVE PATHWAYS
TO BECOME AN
INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNISED
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER !!**

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CONCLUSION

The Engineering Profession in Malaysia is now recognized worldwide:

Benchmarked and Accredited with the International Gold Standard

It is the Profession of Choice!

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THANK YOU



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