

The theme of this 8th Asian Conference on Environment-Behaviour Studies organised by AMER (Association of Malaysian Environment-Behaviour Researchers), ABRA (Association of Behavioural Researchers on Asians) and, cE-Bs (Centre for Environment-Behaviour Studies), Faculty of Architecture, Planning & Surveying, Universiti Teknologi Resources, focuses on

Social Sustainability and Cultural Diversity

Abstract Deadline: 6th December 2017

An abstract of 300-400 words [with a maximum of 4 keywords] including background, aim, objectives, methodology [with sample size where applicable], findings and implications, may be submitted latest by 6th December 2017.

approaches in addressing sustainability. The most widely accepted model for sustainability comprises three main domains -Environmental, Economic, and Social. Somehow, for decades, the Social domain seems to have been embedded and ignored, while emphasis has been more on the other two domains. A more recent approach suggests that all the domains are social; encompassing all human activities (behaviours) in the natural, built and cultural environment. Social sustainability combines design of the physical realm with design of the social world. It also seeks to enhance the quality of life, not only for the present communities but more so for future generations. Within this context of Social sustainability, how successfully has the environment been designed to cope and enhance the current and future needs of the communities and societies of diverse cultural background? AcE-Bs 2018 invites both conceptual and empirical papers which address this question in relation to the following environments (though not exhaustive):-

Children's Environment; Commercial/Retail/Services Environment; Community
Environment / Social Psychology; Construction Environment; Disabled/Inclusive
Environment; Educational/Learning Environment; Elderly Environment; General
Psychology; Healing/Healthcare Environment; Hospitality/Tourism Environment;
Landscaping Environment; Legal Matters; Leisure/Recreational/Sports Environment; Local
Cultural/Heritage Environment (Food included); Natural Environment; Residential Environment;
Rural Environment / Rural Psychology; Technology-related Environment; Transportation/Traveling
Environment.



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