

Bismillah Hirrahman Nirrahim
Assalamualaiikum Warahmatullah Hiwabarakatuh
Good Evening

We are most grateful to Allah Al-Mighty that we are able to gather here for the Gala Nite on the occasion of The 8th South East Asia Survey Congress 2005.

Yang Berhormat,

Pehin Orang Kaya Hamzah Pahlawan Dato Paduka Awang Haji
Abdullah bin Begawan Mudim Dato Paduka Haji Bakar,
Minister of Development, Brunei Darussalam,

Yang Mulia,

Dato Paduka Dr Haji Mat Sunny bin Hj Mohd Hussin,
Deputy Minister of Development

Yang Berhormat,

Dato Paduka Hj Yunos bin Mohd Noh,
Vice-President BIG

Yang Mulia,

Dato Paduka Awg Hj Matasan bin Hj Mohd Daud,
Permanent Secretary (Administration & Finance)
Ministry of Development

Yang Mulia,

Awg Hj Mohd Said bin Pehin Penyurat Dato Paduka Haji Hashim,
Permanent Secretary (Technical & Professional)

Ministry of Development

Professor Holger Magel,

President FIG

Yang Mulia,

Awg Hj Mohd Jamil bin Hj Mohd Ali,

Acting Surveyor General

Distinguished Delegates, Guests,

Distinguished Speakers, Exhibitors, Sponsors and supporters,

Members of The Media and the Organising Committee,

Ladies and Gentlemen

Welcome to The Gala Nite,

On behalf of the Organising Committee, I wish to convey our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to His Honourable Pehin Orang Kaya Hamzah Pahlawan Dato Paduka Awang Haji Abdullah bin Begawan Mudim Dato Paduka Haji Bakar, Minister of Development, Brunei Darussalam, distinguished guests and delegates for gracing this auspicious occasion. Your presence tonight is highly appreciated.

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After 2 days of meeting and being confined to the surrounds of Gadong, tonight offers us the opportunity to socialize and savour some Brunei hospitality. For dear delegates, I sincerely hope that

you are fully relaxed and recharged for another couple of days of plenary and technical papers.

Once again, I would like to reiterate our gratitude for the tremendous support extended by our sponsors and supporters, and to the exhibitors. Your generosity has enabled the organizing committee to put forward a program which not only enrich the knowledge and technical information, but also the culinary needs.

Honourable Minister, Distinguished Guests and Delegates,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

Once again, thank you for sharing this evening with us.

Thank you.