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Sarawak Metro bags a win at Malaysia Technology Excellence Awards 2025

KUCHING: Sarawak Metro Sdn Bhd (Sarawak Metro) has added another feather to its cap when it recently took home the Asian Business Review's Malaysia Technology Excellence Award.

The award, in the Smart City – Transportation category, was for Sarawak Metro's Kuching Urban Transportation System (KUTS) Project.

According to Sarawak Metro Chief Executive Officer, Ts. Mazli Mustaffa, this latest accolade signified more than just a recognition of the work that the organisation is doing, but more importantly it is a great source of encouragement for the management and staff of Sarawak Metro.

"Thank you to the organisers and the panel of judges for presenting us with this award. It will definitely provide us with even greater motivation and inspiration to complete our mission at Sarawak Metro to transform and decarbonise public transport through hydrogen technology in Kuching and Sarawak," he said, in a statement.

The recognition is a collaborative effort and Mazli acknowledged the contributions from everyone involved and he urged them to continue giving their best to ensure the successful completion of the KUTS Project, which is under the purview of Ministry of Transport Sarawak.

"We believe that the KUTS Project will be able to demonstrate how effective collaborations, visionary planning and technological advancements can shape a greener future and we hope

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that this project will also serve as a model for other urban areas, especially cities with public transport needs similar to Kuching," Mazli added.

The Asian Business Review's Malaysia Technology Excellence Awards honours outstanding companies that have made exceptional contributions in pursuit of technological innovation within Malaysia.

Sarawak Metro, a wholly owned subsidiary of Sarawak Economic Development Corporation (SEDC) received the award at a ceremony held in Kuala Lumpur, on Thursday. **Ends**

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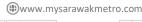


RECOGNITION OF TECHNOLOGICAL EXCELLENCE... Sarawak Metro Corporate Communication, SEED Programme and Bumiputera Relations Director, Alexius Barieng (centre) receives the award from one of the award panel judges, Michael Lim Jr., witnessed by SEDC's officer-in-charge for Sarawak Metro, Tuan Haji Awang Nasfuddin Haji Awang Hassan



















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About Sarawak Metro and KUTS project:

Sarawak Metro Sdn Bhd (Sarawak Metro), a wholly owned subsidiary of Sarawak Economic Development Corporation (SEDC), has been entrusted by the Sarawak Government to modernise public transport through the Kuching Urban Transportation System (KUTS) project.

Sarawak Metro is the implementer, operator and maintainer of the KUTS project.

The project is being developed in phases, and Phase 1 includes the development of three lines: the Blue Line from Rembus in Kota Samarahan to Hikmah Exchange in the city centre; the Red Line, from Kuching Sentral to Pending; and the Green Line, from Pending to Damai.

The backbone of the KUTS project is the introduction of the zero-emission Autonomous Rapid Transit (ART) hydrogen vehicles.

The ART vehicles will be operated on dedicated lanes, meaning they will not share the lane with other road users. The ART hydrogen vehicles will run on rubber tires, and hence the dedicated lanes will be trackless. The lanes will mostly be at-grade (road level) while certain sections of the alignment will be elevated.

The ART operation will be supported by a network of feeder buses, which will also consist of hydrogen-powered vehicles to offer the 'first mile and last mile' connectivity for commuters.

The move to use hydrogen is in line with the Sarawak Government's aspirations to advance the hydrogen economy and to decarbonise public transport in Sarawak.

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