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Sarawak Metro receives World Business Chamber award

KUALA LUMPUR: Sarawak Metro Sdn Bhd marked another milestone when it received a recognition from the World Business Chamber (WBC) at WBC's inaugural awards ceremony in Federal capital, last night.

On hand to receive the 'World Branding Excellence Award' for Sarawak Metro was its Chief Executive Officer, Mazli Mustaffa.

The award was presented by the guest of honour for the event, the Governor of Melaka, His Excellency Tun Seri Setia Dr. Haji Mohd Ali bin Mohd Rustam.

"We are indeed very honoured to receive this prestigious World Branding Excellence Award. This recognition reflects the dedication and commitment of the entire Sarawak Metro team, as well as the trust and support of our stakeholders who have been part of our journey," Mazli said.

"As we continue to deliver the Kuching Urban Transportation System (KUTS) project, this award inspires us to uphold the highest standards of excellence, innovation, performance and service as we work towards providing a modern and sustainable public transport system for the people of Sarawak," Mazli said, after receiving the award.

Also present at the event were the Honorary Patron of WBC, Tun Dato' Seri Zaki Tun Azmi, President of WBC, Tan Sri Michael Yeoh and Chairman of Economic Club of Kuala Lumpur, Datuk Seri Mohamed Iqbal Rawther.

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Mazli (second left) receiving the award from His Excellency Tun Seri Setia Dr. Haji Mohd Ali bin Mohd Rustam, witnessed by (from left) Zaki, Yeoh and Mohamed Iqbal

About Sarawak Metro and KUTS project:

Sarawak Metro Sdn Bhd (Sarawak Metro), a State-owned enterprise, 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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