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GENERAL CIRCULAR TO MEMBERS

1. YOUR NEW COUNCIL

The Council Members for 2009/2010 are:

Datuk Dr. Soon Ting Kueh	President
Dato' Chang Eng Thuan	Vice President
En. Hithaya Jeevan Narayanasamy	Registrar
Prof. Datin Dr. Zuriati Zakaria	Hon. Secretary
En. Steven Tea Hing San	Hon. Treasurer
Assoc. Prof. Dr Sharon Teh Geok Bee	Hon. Asst. Secretary
En. Chee Ong Koh	Hon. Asst. Treasurer
En. Chang Hon Fong	Council Member
Dr. Ho Chee Cheong	Council Member
Prof. Dr Lee Yook Heng	Council Member
Dato' Dr Ong Eng Long	Council Member
Dr Lee Chnoong Kheng	Council Member
Prof. Emeritus Dr Ng Soon	Council Member
ACP. Dr Yew Chong Hooi	Council Member
En. Chan Woon Peng	Council Member (Coopted)
En. Soh Song Chaw	Council Member (Coopted)
Prof. Dr. Boey Peng Lim	Council Member (Coopted)
Dr Jenny Lee Nyuk Len	Council Member (Coopted)
En. Hwang Chin Hor	Council Member (Coopted)
En. Mohd Fajariatudin Mustaffa	Council Member (Coopted)
Prof. Dr Chuah Cheng Hock	Council Member (Coopted)
En. Ong Hai Ching	Council Member (Coopted)
Cik Ngai Koh Sing	Council Member (Coopted)

2. CHAIRPERSONS OF BRANCHES, SECTIONS AND COMMITTEES

The following members have been appointed as chairpersons of the various Committees of the Council for the term 2009/2010.

Members are encouraged to contact any of the chairpersons of committees in the Council for information, ideas and suggestions, comments and feedbacks. Your views and participation in the affairs of IKM will be most welcomed and valued.

COMMITTEES	CHAIRPERSON
Administration & Finance	
Administration & Finance Committee	Prof. Datin Dr Zuriati Zakaria & En. Steven Tea Hing San
Berita IKM: Chemistry in Malaysia Editorial Board	Prof. Dr Lee Yook Heng
Malam Kimia 2009 Organizing Committee	Dato' Chang Eng Thuan & Cik Ngai Koh Sing
QSEL 2009 Organizing Committee	En. Chee Ong Koh & En. Chang Hon Fong
ASIANALYSIS X National Organizing Committee	Datuk Dr Soon Ting Kueh
Professional Affairs & Development	
Professional Affairs Committee	Dr Ho Chee Cheong & En. N. Hithaya Jeevan
Membership Committee	En. N. Hithaya Jeevan & Prof. Dr Ng Soon
Examination Board	Datuk Dr Soon Ting Kueh
IKM Professional Centre Development Committee	Prof. Datin Dr Zuriati Zakaria
Investigation Committee	ACP Dr Yew Chong Hooi
Disciplinary Committee	En. Chee Ong Koh
Laboratory & Quality Assurance Committee - Laboratory Excellence Award - Chemical & Occupational Safety & Health	Dato' Chang Eng Thuan En. Chang Hon Fong
HQ & Branches	
IKM HQ	Datuk Dr Soon Ting Kueh
IKM Northern Branch Committee	Prof. Dr Boey Peng Lim
IKM Southern Branch Committee	En. Soh Song Chaw
IKM Sarawak Branch Committee	En. Chan Woon Peng
IKM Sabah & FT Labuan Branch Committee	Dr Jenny Lee Nyuk Len
IKM Perak Branch Committee	En. Hwang Chin Hor
IKM Terengganu Branch Committee	En. Mohd Fajariatudin Mustaffa
Academic & Industrial Sections	
Inorganic & Analytical Section	Dr Lee Chnoong Kheng
Organic & Biomolecular Section	Prof. Datin Dr Zuriati Zakaria
Physical & Theoretical Section	Prof. Dr Ng Soon
Polymers & Materials Section	Dr Ho Chee Cheong
Environment & Green Chemistry Section	Prof. Dr. Lee Yook Heng
Industrial Chemistry Section	Dato' Dr Ong Eng Long & Prof. Dr Chuah Cheng Hock
Food Chemistry Section	En. Ong Hai Ching
Forensic Chemistry Section	ACP Dr Yew Chong Hooi
Malaysian Journal of Chemistry Editorial Board	Dr Ho Chee Cheong
Chemistry Education & Community	
Chemistry Education Committee – K ₃ M	Datuk Dr Soon Ting Kueh
Kimia Kini Editorial Board	Datuk Dr Soon Ting Kueh & Dr Ng Soo Boon
Community Chemistry Committee – CATIS & Chemistry Festival	Assoc. Prof. Dr Sharon Teh Geok Bee

3. AGM HIGHLIGHTS

The Institute's Annual General Meeting was held on 21 March 2009 at the Royale Bintang Damansara, Petaling Jaya and was attended by 73 members.

The main highlight of the AGM was the election to fill the 4 vacancies in the Council.

The 4 Council members who retired by rotation were Dato' Chang Eng Thuan, Dr Ho Chee Cheong, En. Hoong Seng Hong and ACP Dr Yew Chong Hooi

There were 6 nominations for the 4 vacancies in the Council and the following were duly elected as Council Members for a 3 year period from March 2009 to March 2012.

*Dato' Chang Eng Thuan
Dr Ho Chee Cheong
ACP Dr Yew Chong Hooi
Assoc. Prof. Dr Sharon Teh Geok Bee*

AWARDS, RECOGNITIONS AND EXAMINATION

4. IKM MERIT AWARDS FOR 2009

- a) The Merit Awards were established under the Education Fund, for children of members based on their performance in the STPM, SPM, and PMR examinations or their equivalent.
- b) Applications are now invited for the 2009 IKM Merit Awards from members whose children satisfy the following minimum requirements:

STPM	2 distinctions
PMR	6 distinctions
SPM	6 distinctions

- c) The results shall be based on the 2008 examinations and the **closing date** for applications is **01 September 2009**
- d) When applying, please attach a **certified** copy of the result.
- e) The award shall be to the amount of RM100 each. The number of such awards shall be determined by the Council.
- f) For the STPM and SPM applicants, **chemistry** must be one of the subjects taken in the examination.

Note: *Members whose contributions to the Education Fund are in arrears will not be considered for the above awards. Applications received after the closing date will also not be considered.*

5. TRAVEL GRANTS

Members are to note that applications for travel grants will be considered three times a year and the **next closing dates** for applications are **31 August 2009**, **31 December 2009**, and **30 April 2010**. The rules are attached as **APPENDIX A**.

6. NOMINATIONS FOR IKM GOLD MEDALS

Nominations for the 2009 IKM Gold Medals will close on **15 July 2009**. Members who wish to make a nomination must submit the curriculum vitae of the candidate together with a supporting statement. The rules of the IKM Gold Medal are attached as **APPENDIX B**.

Nomination forms for the Gold Medal can be obtained from the IKM secretariat by phone (03-77283272), fax (03-77289909) or email to ikmmy@tm.net.my. The forms can also be downloaded from the IKM website at www.ikm.org.my.

7. IKM CITATIONS

To encourage active participation from members in IKM activities, the Council has created the IKM Citation Awards which shall be awarded annually.

Citations shall comprise a certificate and a sponsorship to attend an IKM function.

These citation awards are opened to members based on their participation in IKM activities for the past 5 years.

Members are now invited to apply for the IKM Citation Awards and the application form is available from the IKM Secretariat. The rules for the Awards are given in Appendix C.

The closing date for applications is **31 July 2009**.

8. TAN SRI DATUK AMAR STEPHEN K T YONG AND TAN SRI DATO' SRI LAW HIENG DING AWARDS

Members at the 40th Annual General Meeting held on 24 March 2007 approved the establishment of the following Awards:

- (i) Tan Sri Datuk Amar Stephen K T Yong Award for distinctive contribution to development in certain industrial sectors in Malaysia; and
- (ii) Tan Sri Dato' Sri Law Hieng Ding Award for distinctive contribution to chemical education and/or public understanding of chemistry in Malaysia

Nominations for these two Awards will close on **15 July 2009**. Members who wish to make a nomination must submit the curriculum vitae and photograph of the candidate together with a supporting statement. The rules for the two Awards are attached as **APPENDIX D**.

Nomination forms for the Awards can be obtained from the Institute or its website.

9. IKM MEMBERSHIP EXAMINATION

The 2009 IKM Membership Examination will be held from 10 - 12 December 2009. **Closing date** to sit for the examination is **31 August 2009**.

The application form, a copy of the examination syllabus and regulations, and past year examination question papers can be obtained from the Institute.

The following persons are qualified to sit for the final examinations, namely,

- *pass degree graduates, with a pass in chemistry, from a University not recognised by the government; and*
- *persons who possess the Higher School Certificate or equivalent qualification and have undertaken a course or courses equivalent to the syllabus of the Institute for Part I or Part II of the final examination.*

For further enquiries, please contact the IKM Secretariat (Tel : 03-77283272 Fax : 03-77289909)

10. PREPARATORY COURSE FOR IKM PART I EXAMINATION

The first preparatory course for candidates sitting for the IKM Part I (Licentiate) Examination will be conducted in August 2009 at Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman's Centre for Extension Education in Petaling Jaya, Selangor.

Details of the course including the registration form is available from the IKM website at www.ikm.org.my

11. E-MAIL ADDRESS, TELEPHONE & FAX NUMBERS OF IKM

The IKM secretariat office occupies both floors of Wisma IKM at No. 127B & 129B, Jalan Aminuddin Baki, Taman Tun Dr. Ismail, 60000 Kuala Lumpur. The secretariat office of IKM is at No. 127B.

The telephone numbers of IKM are :-	03 – 77283272 and 03 - 77283858
The fax number is :-	03 - 77289909
The e-mail address of IKM is :-	ikmmy@pc.jaring.my or ikmmy@tm.net.my
The website address of IKM is :-	www.ikm.org.my

Application forms for membership of IKM can be obtained from the website.

12. IKM WEBSITE

For updates on IKM activities, kindly visit the IKM website.

The IKM website contains information including the following:

- About IKM
- Membership
- Medals and Awards
- IKM Publications including the e-Journal of the Malaysian Journal of Chemistry
- Workshops & Short Courses held at the IKM Professional Centre
- News & Events
- Announcements of Conferences, Seminars, Workshops, Courses and Visits
- Directory of Laboratory Services & Consultancy
- Latest version of the Chemists Act 1975 including amendments up to 1 January 2006

13. ON-LINE ADVERTISEMENTS FOR JOB VACANCIES

Job vacancies for chemists and related executive positions can be advertised on the IKM website. The fee for the advertisement is RM100 and the advertisement will be posted on-line for one month. Those interested in placing advertisements can submit a soft copy of their advertisement to IKM at ikmmy@tm.net.my with the job description, requirements and contact details limited to 150 words.