Madinah and Makkah Accords – The Way Forward

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he signing of the Accords was done at the Council Meeting of the Federation of The Institution of Engineers in the Muslima Countries (FEIIC). It was preceded by the second (Engineering Qualification, Accreditation and Professional System (EQAPS) one-day workshop on the 18 December, 2016.

This event was a follow-up to the EQAPS Workshop on 8-9 May, 2016. Papers presented were: The Madinah and Makkah Accords and the Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC) Practices Relevant to Madinah Accord.

The Council Meeting was held on the 19 December at the Fairmont Hotel, Makkah. It was attended by representatives from member countries including Kazakhtan, Malaysia, Pakistan, Jordan, Egypt and Saudi Arabia. The signing of the Madinah and Makkah Accords was duly executed together with Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Jordan, Pakistan and Kazakhtan. Other countries will sign at a later date. The Madinah Accord is the mutual agreement among FEIIC Countries on Substantial equivalence in the standard of engineering education and Acceptable accreditation process.



Council meeting in session on 19 December, 2016, after the signing by representatives



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The Makkah Accord is an agreement between engineering organisations in FEIIC member countries on Competence Standard for professional engineers. The follow-up is a Secretariat to maintain a FEIIC Engineer Register. It is expected that IEM will set up, with the FEIIC Regional Representative, MySET the Accreditation Secretariats for the Madinah Accord and Register (Makkah Accord). There will therefore be more opportunities for engineers in Malaysia to practise and contribute in the 23 member countries of the FEIIC.