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Festive Handover of ISTRA Level 3 certificate on Radiotracer Method to Dr. Noraishah Othman at the Plant Assessment Technology in Malaysian Nuclear Agency

In a ceremony held at the Plant Assessment Technology Centre on 07 November 2024, Dr. Noraishah Othman, a catalyst for change in the field of radioactive tracer in Malaysia, was certified the Level 3 - Tracer and Radiation Applications Supervisor for Radiotracer Method - Residence Time Distribution Technique (RTM/RTD) from International Society for Tracer and Radiation Applications (ISTRA). The commendation, one of the highest acknowledgements in the field of tracer and radiation applications, recognizes individuals who have made outstanding contributions, experience and expertise to the advancement of radioactive tracer application, with a significant impact on industries.

Her team at the Plant Assessment Technology in Malaysian Nuclear Agency has been instrumental in developing some of the most advanced sealed-source and radiotracer technology innovations. Their work in building an innovative, radioactive tracer injection method has attracted significant turn-over and is expected to accelerate the acceptance of the technology among industrial players.

"Dr. Noraishah certification will promote the awareness of the technology better", said Technologist Dr. MA Syafiq Yunos, Head of Industrial Radioactive Tracer Unit at Nuclear Malaysia, who presented her with the certificate on behalf of International Society for Tracer and Radiation Applications (ISTRA). "Her relentless pursuit of excellence has not only advanced the field but has also created opportunities for future generations of researchers, scientists, and engineers to explore the vast potential of industrial radiotracer technology in a broad range of applications."

Dr. Noraishah Othman and Ts. Dr. MA Syafiq Yunos were the first two experts in Malaysia to be recognized as Level 3 Certified Agent in Radiotracer Method - Residence Time Distribution Technique (RTM/RTD) by ISTR. Currently, there are three (3) individuals certified at Level 2 (RTM/RTD) and seventeen (17) certified at Level 1 (RTM/RTD) in Malaysia. These numbers reflect the growing demand for radioactive tracer method certifications in Asia and Pacific Region.



Figure 1: Festive handover by Dr. MA Syafiq Yunos (right)



Figure 2: Dr. Noraishah with her new certificate

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