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**REGISTRATION FEE:** 

**RM 100** 

**CPD POINTS APPLIED** 

\*Applied based on each of the Professional Institutes

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# IMPORTANT DATES

15 August 2025
Event Opening

17 - 30 August 2025 Ideation & Proposal Week

31 August 2025 Submission Day

6 September 2025
Pitch & Judging Day





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# **ABOUT YPLAB 2025**



Young People's Lab (YPLAB) is an intervention workshop program designed to engage young professionals and students aged 40 and below in contributing to the development of sustainable and resilient cities. It's a platform designed to encourage the youth expressing their ideas and brainstorming innovative solutions in shaping urban environments beyond sustainability.

The workshop is held in conjunction with the International Conference on World Class Sustainable Cities (WCSC) Conference with this year's theme "Resilient Cities: Living Heritage". This explores the critical intersection between urban resilience and living cultural heritage. It proposes that heritage, both tangible and intangible, isn't just a static relic of the past to be preserved, but a dynamic asset essential for building cities capable of facing present and future challenges, particularly climate change and disasters.

This year YPLAB focused on the theme "Roots of Resilience: Empowering Future-Proof Cities Through Living Heritage" which signifies the deep, foundational connection to the past (heritage) that grounds a city, with the ability to withstand and thrive amidst challenges. Emphasising the proactive role of youth in shaping sustainable and adaptable urban environments and highlights that heritage is dynamic, active, and an integral part of daily life and future solutions, not just a historical relic.













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## AIM

Young People's Lab (YPLab) serves as a dynamic platform for youth to showcase their creativity and vision in embracing regenerative urbanisation. This initiative fosters inclusivity by empowering young individuals to articulate their aspirations and ideas for the future of their cities. Through collaborative discussions, participants will explore the role of youth in urban regeneration, with their insights and proposals displayed at the WCSC 2025 Conference.



# **OBJECTIVES**

- 1. To identify and analyze the unique tangible and intangible heritage assets within a specific precinct within the riverbank areas and understand their role in the community's past and present identity.
- 2. To investigate how traditional knowledge, practices, and existing heritage assets can be leveraged as nature-based solutions or community-driven strategies to enhance climate resilience (e.g., flood mitigation, urban heat island effect reduction, sustainable resource management) in the chosen study area.
- 3. To propose creative, intergenerational, and digitally-integrated strategies that foster community engagement around living heritage, strengthening social cohesion and preparedness for future shocks and stresses (e.g., pandemics, economic shifts).
- 4.To develop practical, actionable, and sustainable urban design interventions or community programs that integrate living heritage principles to create more adaptive, inclusive, and economically vibrant spaces within the selected community.

# From Ideas to Impact



Young People's Lab (YPLab) has grown from a one-day ideation challenge into a multiweek platform for multidisciplinary collaboration.

This year, in collaboration with KongsiKL we continue this tradition with even greater depth—bringing together young planners, architects, engineers, and landscape architects under one shared vision: to imagine better cities, together.

YPLab is more than a competition. It is a space where ideas are tested, perspectives are exchanged, and leadership is nurtured. The Malaysian Institute of Planners (MIP), in proud co-organized with PAM, IEM, and ILAM, believes in the power of young professionals not only to dream, but to drive real change.

As we move forward, I hope to see the bold, thoughtful ideas developed through YPLab not only remain on paper—but been materialised on site and benefiting the communities just as translated by YPLab Participants in their ideation.

To all participants: thank you for your passion, your courage to think differently, and your commitment to shaping a better built environment. Your journey is just beginning—and we are honoured to be part of it.

TPR. ZULIANA MAT ZAWAWI Chairman, MIP Youth Wing

STRATEGIC PARTNER













Urban Resilience Through Our Roots and Youth

Dear Participants, Partners and Friends,

It is with great excitement that I welcome you to YPLab 2025! As this year's Convener, I am thrilled to see so many young professionals and students ready to contribute to the development of sustainable and resilient cities.

YPLab is designed as a dynamic platform to express ideas and brainstorm innovative solutions for urban environments. This year's focus is "Roots of Resilience: Empowering Future-Proof Cities Through Living Heritage" which emphasizes that our cultural heritage is not just a relic, but a vital, dynamic asset for building cities capable of facing current and future challenges like climate change. Our aim is to provide a collaborative space where youth can identify heritage assets, leverage traditional knowledge for climate resilience and propose creative strategies that strengthen community engagement. This program promises to be an enriching experience, filled with insightful discussions, rigorous design challenges and unparalleled networking opportunities. I urge each of you to fully immerse yourselves in the experience, to challenge conventional thinking and to forge connections that will undoubtedly last a lifetime. Your ideas are not just theoretical exercises; they hold the potential to genuinely transform our urban landscapes. This initiative is made possible by the collaborative efforts of co-organizers; Malaysian Institute of Planners (MIP), Pertubuhan Akitek Malaysia (PAM), Real Estate & Housing Developers' Association (REHDA), Institution of Engineers Malaysia (IEM) and Institute of Landscape Architects Malaysia (ILAM), supported by Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL) and World Class Sustainable Cities (WCSC) as the strategic partners alongside with KONGSIKL and neighboring communities as collaborators. My sincere gratitude goes to everyone involved.

Let's work together to create more adaptive, inclusive, and economically vibrant spaces through the principles of living heritage.

Thank you for being a part of YPLab 2025. I look forward to an inspiring and impactful event!

Warm regards,
FARAH NABILA BINTI KAMARUDIN
Convenor, YPLab 2025







## **MILESTONE**

### Part 1 - Opening Event

Date: 15 August 2025 Time: 8.30 am - 3.00 pm

Venue: Kg. Pasir Baru Kuala Lumpur

Site: Kg. Pasir Baru Riverbanks, Pantai Dalam

Part 2 - By Group Brainstorming, Ideation & Proposal Preparation

Date: 17 - 30 August 2025



#### Part 3 - Submission

Date: 31 August 2025 Time: Until 3.00 pm

Venue: Online Submission

(By Email)



### Part 4 - Pitch, Judging & Winner Announcement

Date: 06 September 2025 Time: 8.30 am - 1.00 pm Venue: MIP Seminar Hall



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# **EVENT OPENING & PROGRAM LAUNCH**

**15 AUGUST 2025 (FRIDAY)** 



### **TENTATIVE ITINERARY**

TIME	PROGRAME
8.30 am	Registration and Breakfast
9.00 am	Arrival of Guest of Honor
9.10 am	Welcoming Remarks by Convenor of YPLab 2025
9.20 am	Speech by MIP Youth Wing Chairman
9.30 am	Speech by Guest of Honour and Launching Ceremony
9.50 am	Program & Site Briefing by YPLab 2025 Committee
	Group Briefing by YPLab 2025 Committee
	Mentoring Session
10.20 am	Talk by Speaker 1
10.40 am	Talk by Speaker 2
11.00 am	Talk by Speaker 3
11.20 am	Forum Discussion & Q&A Session - Kg. Pasir Community
	& KongsiKL
12.30 pm	Intermission (Lunch/ Friday Prayers)
2.30 pm	Site Visit & Group Session





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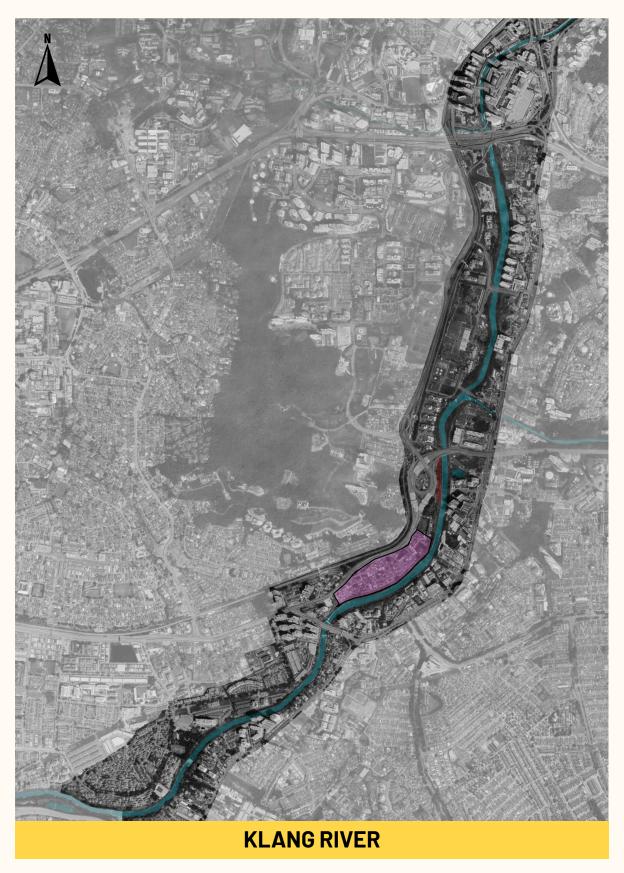
**6 SEPTEMBER 2025 (SATURDAY)** 

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9.20 am	Speech by MIP
9.30 am	Speech by Guest of Honour and Launching Ceremony
9.50 am	Pitching and Judging Session
11.30 am	Winner Announcement
12.30 pm	Lunch/ Event Ends

# SITE LOCATION

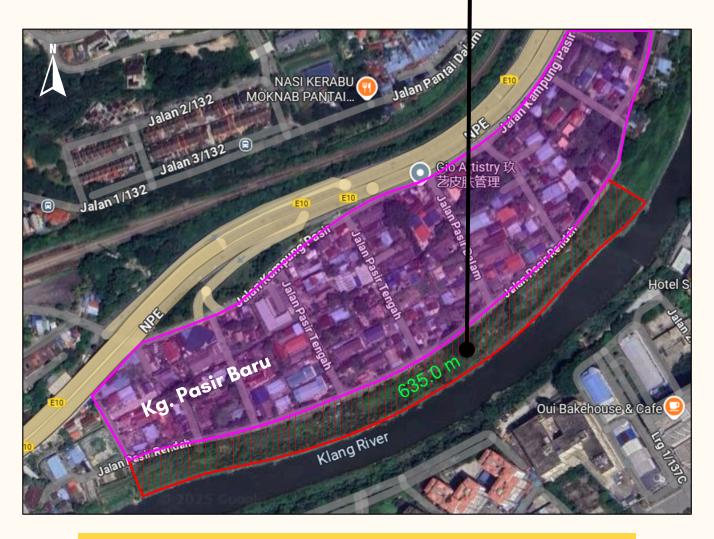


# SITE INFO

### **Proposed Site**

Kg. Pasir Baru Riverfront, Pantai Dalam

(Length of riverbank: 635 m)



**Proposed Location on Google Map Image** 

# REQUIREMENTS

### PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

- The teams each will be given 1 area within the site as their proposal site.
- The proposal must consider the heritage elements, riverbanks and surrounding developments/communities.
- To propose a minimum of 1 physical and 1 non-physical solution that would help the community to be resilient to the change of their environment while preserving the living heritage of the area.

### SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Proposal Write-up (Max. 500 words)
- Slide presentation that covers the Issues, Challenges, SWOT Analysis, Concept & Proposals.
- Design proposal in graphic, 3D or 1 min video
- A1 Size Proposal Poster (softcopy in pdf format)



### **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

- Open to young people from different backgrounds aged 40 and below.
- Participants are expected to actively engage in all scheduled activities, including workshops, site visits and presentations.
- Let's all be respectful and considerate of everyone involved organizers, mentors, speakers and each other. We want YPLab to be a positive and inclusive space.
- Please follow any safety instructions, especially during our exciting site visits.
- You keep the rights to your amazing creations! By sharing them with us, you're giving YPLab and our partners permission to show them off (with your name, of course!) to promote the program and inspire others.
- Things sometimes change! We might need to adjust the schedule, venue or speakers if something unexpected comes up. We'll do our best to let you know quickly.
- We'll be taking photos and videos during YPLab to capture all the great moments and share the experience. By participating, you're okay with us using these for YPLab promotions and archives (don't worry, we'll usually tag you!).
- We want everyone to have a great and safe time. While we take precautions, please understand that YPLab and its organizers aren't responsible for any accidents or unforeseen issues that might occur during the event.





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