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Solid steel showcase

Exhibitor to feature industrial machines from eight countries at upcoming expo

INDUSTRIAL equipment supplier Hasil Karya Sdn Bhd will be exhibiting more than 15 industrial machines from eight countries at this year's Metal Tech exhibition.

Occupying 342sqm in Hall 1 at Putra World Trade Centre (PWTC), Hasil Karya Sdn Bhd will be highlighting brands such as Schröder Group from Germany, Ermaksan from Turkey, Takeda from Japan and Abcd Machinery from Italy.

Hasil Karya Sdn Bhd general manager Robert Tee said the company was focused on introducing the latest technologies, trends and happenings to local industry players.

"Our main highlight is the PowerBend Professional-Up & Down Folding Machine by Schröder Group, manufacturer of sheet metal processing machines, which is targeted to the automotive, architecture and fabrication industry.

With the issue of foreign labour shortage, this machine can increase productivity and produce high value products which, I believe, will benefit the industry," Tee said.

He added that the automated machine involved less material handling and processes, making it more efficient and accurate, helping to produce higher-value products.

"By introducing PowerBend Professional, we hope it will help



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solve the labour crisis and boost the industry players' company value with better quality and productivity," Tee said.

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Possessing the necessary robust

ness, reliability and accuracy, the machine also offers the flexibility each company needs for the production of short runs and prototypes.

With the hydraulic tool clamping device and the optional rotating clamping beam, set-up times can be drastically reduced, which will result in a considerable increase in productivity.



Tee (left) showing the location of their booth at Metal Tech 2016 while operations manager Tommy Ong looks on.

"We also hope that business players will come and take this platform as an opportunity to understand these technologies and build successful business relationships and gain experience," Tee added.

Held for the 22nd year, Metal Tech 2016 will feature more than 500 exhibitors from Singapore, China, Taiwan, India and South Korea, and is expecting more than

25,000 visitors from May 25 to 28 at PWTC, Kuala Lumpur.

The exhibition is endorsed by Malaysia External Trade Development Corporation, Sirim, Science, Technology and Innovation Ministry and Malaysian Investment Development Authority.

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Companies acknowledged as champions of productivity

MALAYSIA Productivity Corporation (MPC) has selected 20 companies that range from small and medium-size industries to government linked companies (GLC) as Productivity Champions for 2016.

This initiative is aimed at increasing the number of skilled productivity specialists in the country who will facilitate the efforts in boosting the national productivity level.

In line with the nation's productivity enhancement initiatives, its director-general Datuk Mohd Razali Hussain said selection of the productivity champions was made through an assessment process and a formalised governance structure.

"The selected recipients have contributed and demonstrated exemplary performance in facilitating productivity improvement.

"Their work in constant innovation and sustainability is an asset and serves as a role model to other organisations, besides encouraging the improvement in productivity for other institutions," he said.

Adding that under the 11th Malaysia Plan, public and private collaboration was required to drive higher productivity at 3.7% per annum towards a target of labour productivity of RM92,300 per employee by 2020.

He said the government agency would foster stronger working relationship with various stakeholders to recognise productivity champions at industry and enterprise levels.



(From left) Sime Darby Bhd operational excellence head Azman Shah Mohamed Noor receiving the certificate from Mustapa while Mohd Razali looks on.

"These champions in their own role and capacity will assist in driving the whole nation towards higher productivity," he said.

The certificates were handed to the selected companies by International Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Sri Mustapa Mohamed during Sharing of Best Practices Programme by Productivity Champion on May 10 at Petzl Manufacturing (M) Sdn Bhd in Rawang.

Petzl was one of the companies selected for Productivity Champion organisations in 2015.

Meanwhile, Mustapa said the recognised champions were expected to participate in the pro-

ductivity initiatives such as in the preparation of the Malaysia Productivity Blue Print.

In addition, the champions will assist the formulation of industry-specific productivity roadmaps, which will include the setting of productivity targets and initiatives for their respective industries.

Mustapa stressed that the achievement of the productivity targets would be used as the key criteria for firms to apply for the government assistance and incentives.

Among those who attended the event were Petzl Manufacturing (M) Sdn Bhd managing director Gilles Roland Waeldin.

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