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5.0 INTRODUCTION

The quantity surveying body of knowledge in general is beset with the lowest levels of both development of newer knowledge and in research and development. This is because quantity surveying is seen by many to be a profession that emphasizes the application of vocational knowledge and skills in construction economics, the focus being to achieve economies in the procurement of new construction and in repair and maintenance works.

Traditionally, institutions of higher learning that offer quantity surveying programmes at certificate, diploma and/or bachelor degree levels are more concerned with getting accreditation and maintaining the same for their programmes by professional quantity surveying bodies⁵². This is because

⁵² In Malaysia the professional bodies concerned are the Board of Quantity Surveyors Malaysia and the Institutions of Surveyors Malaysia.

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QUANTITY SURVEYING: AN ABRIDGED INTRODUCTION

KHAIRUDDIN Abdul Rashid

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This book is a compilation of papers, addressing some of the current interests of quantity surveyors in Malaysia, related to education, practice and marketing in quantity surveying.

It is therefore considered apt for a chapter, albeit an abridged one, to be included in the book to brief readers – especially current and potential students of quantity surveying and the allied professions and the public – on the essentials of quantity surveying education, training, research and development.