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Timber, SMEs expo on July 7-10

KUCHING: The first expo for the timber industry, and small and medium enterprises (SMEs) will be held at Borneo Convention Centre Kuching (BCKK) from June 7 to 10 with more than 200 booths offering a wide array of products.

Organised by Sarawak Timber Industry Development Corporation (STIDC) and Industrial Development Ministry, it is held in line with STIDC's 40th anniversary and the state's SMEs Week.

The booths will offer a variety of timber-based products while the SMEs will showcase local products such as food, beverages, textile, cosmetics and handicraft.

The expo aims at promoting trade of timber and non-timber products produced by local manufacturers.

Held simultaneously is the International Conference on Timber on June 7-8 at the same venue which will bring together speakers from overseas as well as locally to speak on various issues that are of interest to the timber industry and SMEs.

They will include those from Forest Research Institute Malaysia and Malaysia Timber Certification Council as well as the Forestry Department, Sarawak.

The four-day expo is open from 10am to 6pm daily.

Admission is free but visitors are required to register upon arrival at the venue.

STIDC has also arranged for a free shuttle service. The service is from the bus stop in front of Riverside Majestic Hotel to BCKK from 8am to 6.15pm during the four days.

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