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# MALAYSIA'S MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND DIGITAL VISITS BATTERSEA POWER STATION FOR LONDON TECH WEEK

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Left to right: Raymond Siva, Gopi Ganesalingam, Ramzi Abdullah, Jiv Sammanthan, Tan Sri Jagan Sabapathy, Richard Graham, YB Fahmi Fadzil, Mahadir Aziz, Dato' Azmir Merican, Mano Verabathran, Modh Zabri Adil Talib. Image Credit: BERNAMA

Battersea Power Station was pleased to host YB Ahmad Fahmi bin Mohamed Fadzil, the Minister of Communications and Digital for Malaysia, for a Malaysia Digital Economy Corporate (MDEC) Networking Event on Wednesday 14th June, as part of London Tech Week.

Providing an opportunity to build ties between the Malaysia and UK technology sectors, YB Fahmi Fadzil met with Tan Sri Jagan Sabapathy, Chairman of Battersea Project Holding Company Ltd, Dato' Azmir Merican, Group Managing Director of Sime Darby Property, Jiv Sammanthan Board Director of SP Setia, His Excellency Charles Hay, British High

Commissioner to Malaysia, and Richard Graham, Member of Parliament for Gloucester and Prime Minister's Trade Envoy.

As part of the visit, YB Fahmi Fadzil received a tour of the new riverside neighbourhood in central London, including the recently opened and restored Grade II\* listed Battersea Power Station.

Since opening in October 2022, Battersea Power Station has welcomed nearly six million visitors through its doors and its success will continue with more retail openings this summer, including Apple Battersea which opens at 4pm today, and a 24,000 sq ft Arcade Food Hall, BAO, and Bounce Ping Pong opening later this year. Other brands to recently open include LEGO® and neighbourhood pasta restaurant, Noci. Battersea Power Station is also home to Malaysian brands including pewter specialists Royal Selangor and authentic Malaysian restaurant, Roti King.

# YB Fahmi Fadzil, the Minister of Communications and Digital for Malaysia, said:

"I have been to Battersea Power Station three times in 2019, 2020 and now today. It is amazing to see the journey, and what can be achieved with Malaysian capital and talent, delivered in partnership with the UK. When we work together we can achieve so much more, and Battersea Power Station is testament to that. Congratulations!"

## Tan Sri Jagan Sabapathy, Chairman of Battersea Project Holding Company, said:

"On behalf of all the shareholders, we were honoured to host YB Fahmi Fadzil. Through an innovative Malaysia-UK partnership, we have revived this iconic London landmark and built a new neighbourhood for central London – a task that could not have been possible without remarkable innovation in technology and construction. Moreover, we have created a new home for tech in London, with numerous tech-led brands calling Battersea Power Station home, including Apple, that have taken 500,000 sq ft of office space and are opening a new store today, and leading home technology company, SharkNinja. We hope to attract more innovative tech brands with a new 200,000 sq ft office space, 50 Electric Boulevard, due to complete later this year. Battersea Power Station now stands as a fantastic example of what can be achieved through collaboration between Malaysia and the UK, and is a fitting setting for MDEC's Networking Event."

The MDEC event was hosted in Control Room A, an important Art Deco landmark within the Power Station that was at the forefront of technology in the 1920s and 1930s, responsible for distributing up to one-fifth of London's power across the UK capital, including to such prestigious addresses as Buckingham Palace and Houses of Parliament.

Under the admirable custodianship of its Malaysian shareholders which together form Battersea Project Holding Company, Sime Darby Property, S P Setia and the Employees Provident Fund (EPF), Battersea Power Station has been expertly restored to its former glory, and the wider area has been transformed into a vibrant community. In 2019, leading fund management companies Permodalan Nasional Berhad (PNB) and EPF became the long-term commercial asset holders securing the future of the landmark for many generations to come.

For more information about Battersea Power Station please visit <u>www.batterseapowerstation.co.uk</u> and follow @BatterseaPwrStn to keep up to date with the latest news and events

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#### About Battersea Power Station:

- Battersea Power Station is one of central London's largest, most visionary new riverside neighbourhoods. The regeneration project is seeing the creation of a vibrant, mixed-use destination offering a community of homes, shops, restaurants, offices, culture and leisure venues, as well as 19 acres of public space, all serviced by an extension to the London Underground Northern Line.
- The Battersea Power Station project covers 42 acres and includes 3.5m sq ft of mixed commercial space, together with over 4,000 new homes.
- Over 100 shops, restaurants, bars and unique leisure experiences, as well as approx. 550,000 sq ft of office space and over 1,600 homes, have been completed across the first three phases Circus West Village, the Grade II\* listed Power Station and Electric Boulevard with more to come in the future phases.
- With the Zone 1 Battersea Power Station Underground station on the Northern Line Extension, the estate is only a 15 minute journey from the West End and the City. It also has its very own Uber Boat by Thames Clippers pier and is 15 minute journey from Embankment, 20 minutes from Blackfriars, 30 minutes from Putney and 40 minutes from Canary Wharf. Battersea Power Station is easily accessible by bus, bike, car and train too.
- The successful regeneration of Battersea Power Station will create 20,000 new jobs, generating long term career opportunities for local residents. A new NHS medical facility is also being built.
- The wider Battersea Power Station development is owned by a consortium of Malaysian investors comprised of S P Setia (40%), Sime Darby Property (40%) and The Employees' Provident Fund (20%), with the commercial assets within the Power Station building now being directly owned by Permodalan Nasional Berhad (PNB) and EPF.