

WORKING GROUP ON HALAL PRODUCTS AND SERVICES
Lead Country: Thailand

MEASURES/ PROGRAMMES / PROJECTS	STATUS	IMPLEMENTATION ISSUES	CONTACT PERSONS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IMT-GT Halal Expo in conjunction with the Annual Maolid Nabi Celebration 	<p>A FLAGSHIP PROJECT and Continuing Annual Event.</p> <p>Completed in February 2008 as IMT-GT Krabi Halal Expo 2008 in conjunction with the 27th Maolid Nabi Celebration and World of Halal Science, Industry & Business Conference 2008 (WHASIB '08) at Krabi TownHall and Krabi Maritime Park & Spa Resort.</p> <p>Conducted the 2008 IMT-GT Halal Expo in Conjunction with the Annual Maolid Nabi Celebration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 300 Exhibitors & Traders 200 Participants for WHASIB '08 200 SMEs Entrepreneurs 100,000 Attendants of Krabi Maolid Nabi Celebration 	NIL	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Halal Trade Project 	<p>A FLAGSHIP PROJECT.</p> <p>World of Halal Science, Industry & Business Conference 2008 (WHASIB '08) and IMT-GT Krabi Halal Expo 2008 22-24 February 2008 held in Krabi Province, Thailand.</p> <p>World of Halal Science, Industry & Business Conference 2008 (WHASIB '08) with IMT-GT Halal Expo in conjunction with the 27th Maolid Nabi Celebration at Krabi TownHall and Krai Maritime Park & Spa Resort were organised on 22-24 February 2008.</p> <p>International Halal Science Symposium – World Halal Research Summit 2009 (WHR'09) was held on 7-8 May 2009. The 2nd International Conference in research</p>	NIL	

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	<p>advances related to Halal was successfully organized. WHR' 09 was officiated by the Prime Minister of Malaysia, His Excellency Dato' Sri Najib Tun Abdul Razak.</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Halal Scientific Laboratory Networking 	<p>A FLAGSHIP PROJECT.</p> <p>Halal Laboratory established in Halal Science Center in Chulalongkorn University on 27 October 2005.</p> <p>Halal Science Centre at Bogor Agricultural University (Institut Pertanian Bogor briefly called IPB). Activities included laboratory analysis and standardization for supporting Halal certification and Islamic organizations, establishing collaborative networking, Halal/Haram database development, facilitating academic activities in Halal studies for students and communities, providing academic assistance (workshop/course/training) in the implementation of Halal quality assurance (Halal-GMP/HrACCP) along with other organizations.</p>	NIL	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Halal Scientific and Academic Networking and Science Exchange 	<p>Prince Songkhla University (PSU) has established the Halal Science Centre which is responsible for the testing, certifying and training for halal products and services in the region. PSU also linked to the Halal Science Centre at Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok.</p> <p>Strengthened networks and linkages between Halal centers, academic institutions and the private sector (i.e. Institut Pertanian Bogor, Indonesia (IPB), Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) and Chulalongkorn University, Thailand) during the 1st WG Meeting on Halal on 2-3 Sept 2007.</p>	NIL	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Halal Insight 	<p>The production of proposed "Halal Insight" magazine has been completed and presented to the 1st WGHAPAS Meeting. The latest 'Halal Insight' Magazine has been circulated in the 2nd Planning and WG Meeting and related WGHAPAS events.</p>	NIL	
Halal Laboratory Network	<p>Training courses in Halal Laboratory Network were initiated in 2008.</p> <p>Timeframe target date 2007-2011.</p> <p>The IMT-GT World of Halal Science Industry and Business International Conference 2009 (WHASIB 2009) was held with the theme 'Halal Science-Thailand Signature' on 1-2 May 2009 at Hilton Phuket Arcadia Resort and Spa in Phuket. The event which was officiated by Dr. Virachai Veeramethekul, Minister attached to the Thai Prime Minister's Office as representative of Prime Minister of Thailand, attracted a total of 267 participants from 12 countries. A Memorandum of Understanding on the establishment of Global Halal Forensic Laboratory Network among renowned institutions from 6 countries was also signed.</p>	NIL	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Certified Halal Restaurants and Hotels 	<p>A FLAGSHIP PROJECT.</p> <p>New projects proposed during the 1st Working Group Meeting on Halal.</p> <p>Initiated in Thailand on the 24 Aug 2007.</p> <p>10 hotels in IMT-GT implemented the Halal Food Services Standards for Tourism. The manual is accomplished and ready. 400 entrepreneurs in Hotels and restaurant business were be trained in 2008.</p>	NIL	

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	<p>Halal SMEs Workshop on Restaurant, Hotel and Tourism was also organized on 3 May 2009 back to back to WHASIB 2009 at the same venue. The event attended by 225 participants was officiated by Dr.Khunying Kallaya Sophonpanich, Minister of Science and Technology.</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Halal Medical Hub 	<p>A FLAGSHIP PROJECT.</p> <p>New projects proposed during the 1st Working Group meeting.</p> <p>Proposed at IMT-GT Krabi Halal Expo 2008 in conjunction with the 27th Maolid Nabi Celebration at Krabi TownHall and Krai Maritime Park & Spa Resort 22-24 February 2008.</p>	<p>NIL</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Halal Science Symposium 	<p>A FLAGSHIP PROJECT.</p> <p>The project is on-going.</p> <p>Identified as a deliverable project for 2007 in the IMT-GT Planning Meeting for 2007.</p> <p>1st International Science Symposium was held in Bangkok on 1-2 Sept 2006.</p> <p>The 2nd IHSS supposed to be hosted by Malaysia will be deferred to 2009 and will be regarded as the IMT-GT Halal Science Symposium.</p> <p>The 2nd International Halal Science Symposium was eventually held in Jakarta on 4-7 November 2008 as part of the Global Halal Summit with collaboration of Majelis Ulama Indonesia (MUI).</p>	<p>NIL</p>	

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	<p>The 3rd International Halal Science Symposium 2008 organized by Halal Science Centre, IPB was held on 1 December 2008 at International Convention Centre, IPB.</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Business Incubator of Halal Products and Services for Small Medium Enterprises 	<p>A FLAGSHIP PROJECT.</p> <p>Initiated in Satun Province (Halal Minimart project). New Project. Timeframe target date 2007-2011.</p> <p>Coverage of the 2nd IMT-GT Krabi Halal Expo in conjunction with the 27th Maolid Nabi Celebration at Krabi TownHall and Krai Maritime Park & Spa Resort 22-24 February 2008 to be expended across the IMT-GT region</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 300 Exhibitors & Traders 200 SMEs Etrepreneurs 	NIL	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awareness programme on Halal product standard and conformance structure 	<p>Identified as a deliverable project for 2007 in the IMT-GT Planning Meeting for 2007. Budget already allocated (Government of Malaysia). The project was scheduled to commence implementation in May/June 2007. Program will be held in December 2008 in Kuala Lumpur hosted by Department of Standards, Malaysia.</p> <p>Malaysia hosted the event of Halal Awareness Program on Halal Products and Standards and Conference on 4-6 November 2008 the same dates with 2nd International Halal Science Symposium was held in Jakarta on 4-7 November 2008.</p> <p>A total of 35 participants including 3 Indonesians and 4 Thais attended the programme which was organized by Department of Standards, Malaysia and SIRIM Berhad</p>	NIL	

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	on 19-21 March 2009.		
<i>New Project Proposals for 2009 (To be filled up with Template for Project Proposals)</i>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrated Halal Superhighway and the training course of Halal Forensic Laboratory 	<p>Thailand proposed and presented the Integrated Halal Superhighway and the training course of Halal Forensic Laboratory projects in 2nd WG Meeting. Thailand welcomed participants from IMT-GT member countries to do the projects.</p> <p>The 3rd WG meeting was updated that the Government of Thailand had approved the budget for IMT-GT ICT Superhighway for Halal Logistics and Traceability. Progress of this project including the recruitment of 24 food factories, 2 abattoirs, 1 transportation firm as well as the development of ICT system for tracing and tracking the Halal integrity of products during management of logistics.</p>	NIL	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IMT-GT Halal Brand 	Thailand proposed IMT-GT Halal Brand to promote the trade in halal products and services within as well as outside the IMT-GT region.	NIL	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development of Halal Logistics and Halal Parks 	<p>Standards and Guidelines on Halal Logistics and Halal Parks being prepared by Halal Development Corporation (HDC).</p> <p>The Standards and Guidelines now at final stage drafting.</p> <p>HDC will provide updates once it is available and it will help in developing the Halal Hub in Penang in order to facilitate trade among IMT-GT member countries.</p>	NIL	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Southern Science Park 	<p>Prince Songkhla University has established the Southern Science Park in various provinces in the south Thailand including Pattani province where Halal Park is the main focus.</p>	NIL	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing the Halal Park in Sumatera (capitalize on existing facilities in Penang Port) 	<p>During the JBC Business Forum in Medan, it was agreed that all countries works towards this projects.</p> <p>Workshop or forum to be held in cities of IMT-GT region such as Hatyai, Medan or Penang before March 2009.</p> <p>In 26th JBC Meeting, it was suggested that the taskforce team should be officially appointed as the national focal point of halal products and services and the taskforce team should be chaired by the chairperson of the IMT-GT JBC HAPAS WG.</p>	NIL	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Halal Hub in Penang 	<p>26th JBC Meeting informed on the establishment of the International Halal Hub in Penang which could promote the halal related industry within the IMT-GT region.</p> <p>Penang Port Sdn. Bhd. are prepared to accommodate this need which will later be independent upon the Guidelines to be finalized by HDC.</p> <p>Penang Port Sdn. Bhd. and Prince of Songkhla University will act as facilitator for this taskforce.</p>	NIL	