



## Abdul Rahim Mohd Zin

### Qualification:

M.Arch. Univ. of Nebraska-Lincoln, USA

B.Sc. Architecture Studies, Univ. of Nebraska-Lincoln, USA

### Working experience:

Faculty of Design and Architecture UPM

Alif College (Alfa College, Subang Jaya)

School of Interior Design, Saito Academy of Design, Petaling Jaya.

Focus Dverc Design Management, Petaling Jaya

### Field of specialization:

Architecture Design, Architecture History

(Eastern, Western & Islamic) Architectural Graphic

### Research Areas of Interest:

Shelter design for post Disaster and Hardcore Poor



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**Abdul Rahim Mohd Zin** received his Master of Architecture degree from University of Nebraska-Lincoln, the United States in August 1988. He joined Saito Academy in September 1988 as an Interior Design Lecturer but not being satisfied with teaching without industrial experience, he joined Building Consultant Sdn bhd, an architect firm in Kuala Lumpur (Jan. 1990). As a Building Consultant, he was involved in various architectural and interior projects with responsibilities ranging from design proposal, tender and contract management, site management, liaison with authority, and etc. He left at the end of 1997 as a Senior Architect to join once again the academic world.

He co-founded ALIF College in 1998 where he held the post of Chairman of Academic until 2007. He led the academic team to set up the academic system and developed the Diploma syllabus for Architecture, Interior Architecture and Furniture Design. He was responsible for the daily running of the academic and also led the School of Architecture from 2001 until 2007. A stern believer in sustainable community and architecture, he led the School of Architecture ALIF College in organizing a seminar/ workshop entitled "Sustainability and Malaysian Architecture" together with Pertubuhan Arkitek Malaysia and

University of Tasmania, Australia in 2004. At the point of his departure from ALIF College in 2007 (now known as ALFA COLLEGE), it has grown into an award winning college with wide recognition from the industry.

Abdul Rahim joined the Department of Architecture at University Putra Malaysia (UPM) as the "Pensyarah Khas" in 2007. He specializes in teaching Architecture Design Studio, Architecture History (Western, Eastern and Islamic Architecture) and Architecture Visual Communication.

Currently, Abdul Rahim is designing an education complex for Al Banna Islamic School in Jengka, Pahang as part of the Community Project Program by FRSB and an experimental chalet design in Langkawi. Construction system for both projects will be using a simple IBS which should be applicable for hardcore poor housing and emergency shelter later. Abdul Rahim is to start his PhD studies at Universiti Putra Malaysia in February 2017 focusing on Post Occupancy Assessment of Temporary Shelter for Major Flood disaster area in Malaysia.