

Research Cluster 3

BORNEO Architecture Research Unit (BARU)

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Description The architecture of the island of Borneo has yet to receive the attention
& it deserves from the global research community. The Eastern

Objectives: Docklands of Amsterdam has a Borneo Architecture Centre, but it has nothing to do with Borneo Island Architecture. BARU, the Borneo Architecture Research Unit of Department of Architecture, Faculty of Engineering intend to: -

- Record and study the culture and heritage of the diverse ethnic groups of Borneo related to architecture and the built environment;
- Record and study the use of traditional technologies in local/indigenous architecture;
- Record and study the ongoing revolution in urban, suburban, and village architecture and built environment of Sarawak's main cities: Kuching, Miri, Sibul, Limbang, Kapit, Sarikel, Sri Aman, Mukah, Samarahan, Lawas, Belaga, Marudi, Bario, Betong, Serian, Bau, Lundu, Mato, Lubok Antu, Sebuyau, Tebedu, Selangau and others;
- Record and study issues of sustainability facing architecture, the built environment and their interaction with the natural world; and
- Record, study and take part in the conservation and preservation of the Borneo built environment and its architectural culture and heritage.

BARU intend to develop sub-cluster groups in the near future:

- Borneo Architecture Conservation & Preservation
- Landscapes of Borneo
- Medical Architecture Research Group
- Construction Design Management & Project Management Studies
- Others related potential to the development of Borneo Architecture

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