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The Annual Geological Conference 2001 is the 15th in the series of conference organised by the Geological Society of Malaysia since 1986. The Conference provides participants with an excellent opportunity to exchange scientific and technical information. The Annual Conference 2001 is the second one held in Perak, after eleven years. This allows Malaysian geoscientists to get a closer overview on the many contributions of past geoscientists in resourcing out the earth material and a paradigm shift in current developmental approach towards better utilisation of earth material. A fieldtrip each on industrial minerals and geotourism in the Kinta Valley will be organised for this purpose. Perak certainly is the most suitable destination for geoscientists to evaluate their past performance and contribution towards the development of the country, in order to perform better towards the same course in the future. A Forum on the conference theme, Enhancing Contribution of Geoscientists in the Development of Malaysia, has also been organised. The Forum discusses the current development in various geoscience-based industries, to allow Malaysian geoscientists evaluate past performances and open up more opportunities for them to improve their future performance.

The scientific programme of the Conference is organised in accordance with the conference theme, with keynote addresses being restricted to resource and technological advancement. Seven themes of papers presented in the Conference are Mineral & Energy Resources, Tectonics & Structural Geology, Sedimentology & Stratigraphy, Petrology & Geochemistry, Geoscience Tools & Techniques, Engineering Geology & Hydrology and Environmental Geology & Conservation. A total of 48 papers were selected for presentation, and these papers are expected to enhance current knowledge and understanding of the geology of Malaysia.

This Proceedings, distributed to all participants during the Conference, is the second published by the Geological Society of Malaysia for this annual event. For the organising committee, the challenge towards publication of the Proceedings is even greater than before. The main task was to maintain the quality of the material and presentation. I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to Prof. Dr. Teh Guan Hoe and Mr. Ng Tham Fatt and the members of the Editorial Suncommittee for their hard work and commitment. I would also like to extend my gratitude to the board of reviewers, the editorial subcommittee and all the contributors for making this publication a reality. Lastly, I am also indebted to members of organising committee for their dedication and support in making the whole conference programme a success.

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