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Kulliyah of Architecture and Environmental Design  
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**Academic/Professional Qualifications**

Ph. D Environmental Management (UKM), M. Environmental Management (UKM),  
B.Sc. Hons (Ecology – Conservation Biodiversity Programme) (UKM)

**Expertise**

Environmental management, resources planning, management and policy.

**Research Interests**

Urban governance, urban environment, environmental behaviour & behavioural economic, sustainability assessment, sustainability science (SusSci), sustainability research, waste management, biosphere reserve, heritage studies, education for sustainable development (ESD), sustainability governance and public policy analysis, climate change policy, adaptation & mitigation.

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**Profile**

Irina Safitri Zen is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Urban and Regional Planning, Kulliyah Architecture and Environmental Design (KAED), International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM). Before joining IIUM in 2019, she was a Campus sustainability Director and Head of Sustainability Research Unit at the Universiti Teknologi Malaysia. She has a five years experiences working in consultant firm before enter the academic world in 2010. She has an academic background in environmental management and natural resources economic, ecology, conservation and biodiversity.

Over the 10 years of teaching experience, she has taught various environment subjects that include environmental studies, environmental planning and management, environmental workshop, planning and technique analysis, introduction to environmental economic, sustainable development and sustainability science. She graduated five postgraduate students and seventeen (17) undergraduates, co-authors for six books, six book chapters, three policy papers, 11 technical reports, 22 journal publications (five in Q1 journals, eleven in Scopus Index Journals), 40 refereed articles in conferences proceeding and 36 invitations as speaker/ keynote speaker at conferences, programs and seminar inside and outside Malaysia, reviewed 40 articles journals and conference papers, part of the editorial boards from six journals, local and international level. On research, she manages to secure fifteen research grants at National level, six contract research and five international grants during the period of 2010 to 2019.

She received the Best Staff Services Awards (2013), the Excellence Teaching Awards (2015) and (2017) and the Excellent Research Award (2017) at Universiti Teknologi Malaysia. She also won Gold Award for research in campus living lab at UTM International Education Conference in 2016, among the 20 of Women in Malaysia Promoting Sustainable Development by Massachusetts Institute of Technology, MIT-UTM Sustainable Cities Program and the Chief Scientist & Trainer for Low Carbon Cities Framework initiative, *MalaysiaGreenTech*.

Dr Irina concern on sustainable development shows in her involvement as a member of the Malaysia Sustainable Development Solution Network (SDSN) Leadership Council under the Science Advisor of the Prime Minister Office of Malaysia and conducting series of Sustainability Leadership at ASEAN and National level, as the Science Advisor for the *MelakaGreenTech* and resources person in several UNESCO Meetings.

She is a registered member of International Society of Sustainability Professional (ISSP), association of Malaysian environment-behaviour researchers (AMER), association of behavioral researchers on Asians (ABRA), Waste Management Association of Malaysia (WMAM), Malaysian Nature Society (MNS) and Malaysian Islamic Consumers Association (MICA).