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**PT. IAPMO Group Indonesia, APPIN Hold Event to Promote  
Importance of Good Sanitation and Plumbing Systems**

**Jakarta, Indonesia (July 5, 2018)** — PT. IAPMO Group Indonesia, in partnership with Indonesian plumbing association APPIN, today held an event to increase awareness of the importance of good sanitation and plumbing systems, especially for buildings with large capacities that are used by the general public such as hotels, malls, airports and restaurants.

IAPMO also signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Ministry of Public Works and Public Housing for the inspection of the health aspects of buildings and residential housing in relation to the issuance of building occupancy permits. Additionally, IAPMO Man was introduced as IAPMO's mascot at the beginning of the event. APPIN, an association with members comprising companies in the plumbing industry, was inaugurated during the event.

IAPMO Group CEO GP Russ Chaney opened the fifth annual event, which was held at the Grand Mercure Hotel in Jakarta and included a performance by SDN Cicau 02 students. Through the 2017 Community Plumbing Challenge, SDN Cicau 02 received eight toilets and a handwashing station. IAPMO also gave the school and surrounding community the gift of a sound system.

The United Nations has 17 Sustainable Development Goals, one of which is clean water and sanitation for all by 2030. This requires an investment in adequate infrastructure, the creation of safe sanitation facilities, and the promotion of cleanliness at every level.

During the first session, speakers from the Ministry of Forestry and Environmental, Ministry of Public Works and Public Housing, and BSN, Indonesia's national standardization agency, discussed SNI 8153:2015, *Plumbing Systems for Buildings*, as one of the tools to be used in support of SDG 2030. The second session began with speakers from the Construction Services Development Board (LPJK), Politeknik Negeri Jakarta, and the University of Indonesia addressing the topic of good plumbing systems in buildings. That was followed by a discussion on the best practices on the installation and maintenance of plumbing products to support a good plumbing system that included representatives from plumbing product manufacturers Rucika and Pralon, as well as Bina Nusantara University.

For the first time in the event's five-year history, IAPMO and APPIN arranged several activities that were presented as one-day seminars with exhibitions.

"PT. IAPMO Group Indonesia wants Indonesians to understand more about the importance of a good plumbing system, for personal consumption as well as the public interest," said Ken Wijaya, Executive Vice President of PT. IAPMO Group Indonesia. "Plumbing systems also have an impact on the health and safety of the community. This is why IAPMO is partnering with governmental, industry and educational institutions to continuously create awareness on the importance of plumbing standardization."

"PT. IAPMO Group Indonesia is very pleased to be able to organize a one-day seminar to commemorate World Plumbing Day 2018 once again," said Shirley Dewi, Senior Vice President of PT. IAPMO Group Indonesia. "On this occasion, we want the importance of a good plumbing system to be remembered through the IAPMO Man mascot we launched at this event. In addition, the signing of the MoU with the Ministry of Public Works and Public Housing also proves that we are continuing to rally the support from the government so that all Indonesian citizens can have a healthy and safe plumbing system."



IAPMO would like to thank all of the parties who supported the event, namely the Ministry of Public Works and Public Housing; the Ministry of Industry of the Republic of Indonesia; the Ministry of Environment and Forestry; the BSN; the Green Product Council Indonesia; and the National Construction Services Development Board. In addition, thank you to the following companies who sponsored the event: TOTO, AER, Viega, Rucika, TSP, Mitra 10, Pralon, Bintang Sejati Prima, Fluidmaster, Ecosense, Moen, Bemis and ayooklik.com.

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