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**IAPMO, Indonesian Officials Work to Bring Nation's
National Standard for Plumbing from Classroom to Real World**

Semarang, Central Java, Indonesia (May 25, 2016) — IAPMO and Indonesian government officials collaborated on two events this week whose joint goal was to take the country's national standard for plumbing — SNI 8153:2015, *Plumbing Systems for Buildings* — from the classroom to the real world.

Both corporate social responsibility projects seek to strengthen the relationship between IAPMO and the Indonesian government in order to enhance their support for the needs of the Indonesian plumbing and sanitation industry and aid in the development of Indonesia's national standards for health, safety, and the environment.

On Tuesday, officials from IAPMO and Dinas Kebersihan Dan Pertamanan Kota Semarang (Agency of Cleanliness and Parks for the City of Semarang) attended a ceremony for a public restroom in Parang Kusumo Tlogosari Park in the city of Semarang, Central Java province. Shirley Dewi, Senior Vice President of IAPMO R&T's Quality Assurance and Client Services, handed off the key to the public restroom and signed the "prasasti" stone on IAPMO's behalf. Ken Wijaya, Executive Vice President of IAPMO R&T Lab, and Umi Fadilla and Fajar Sukotjo, Sales Representatives of IAPMO in Indonesia, also attended, as did Mr. Budi Prakosa, Head of City Park Divisions; Mrs. Nurhasanah Sutjahjo and Mr. Atang Sarbini, representatives from the Center of Research and Development of the Ministry of Public Works and Human Settlements; as well as representatives from the local regional authorities.

The project is intended to serve as a template for standardization that can be replicated. IAPMO provided the technical expert and assisted with the necessary funding to ensure the initial location's success. IAPMO staff worked with the Indonesian government to identify the appropriate location for the project, set the timeline, and select the contractors.

"We are very excited to be working with the Indonesian government on this project," Dewi said. "As buildings continue to be constructed utilizing SNI 8153:2015, the health and safety of more and more Indonesian residents will be protected through improved access to clean, safe water and sanitation."

On Monday, IAPMO and Dinas Cipta Karya Dan Tata Ruang Provinsi Jawa Tengah (The Central Java Province of City Planning) held an event to train 18 people to implement SNI 8153:2015 in the field. Wijaya, along with Sutjahjo and Sarbini from Indonesia's Center of Research and Development of the Ministry of Public Works and Human Settlements, provided the training.

"IAPMO is committed to providing plumbing education and training for SNI 8153:2015 to give officials and professionals throughout Indonesia the necessary tools to be able to read, understand, interpret, engage, and apply provisions of the new standard," Wijaya said.

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