



Dato' Zainal Abu Zarin
President of Malaysian Paralympic Council

Major Contributions to Sport for Athletes with a Disability

- Organizing Chairman of ICC Disabled Sports Leadership for Asia Pacific (1987) and Protem Chairman of Disabled Sports of Malaysia (1988)
- Founder of Malaysian Paralympic Council
- Founder & Protem Chairman of ASEAN Para Sports Federation (2000)
- Founder & 1st President of Asian Paralympic Committee (2000 till now)
- Host Organizer of IPC World Strategic Planning Congress 2001
- Principal Creator of the tradition of ASEAN Para Games (2001)
- Initiate the move “ APC: The Sports Powerhouse of Asia” in One Vision, One Mission, One Hope” (2003)
- Organizing Chairman of APC Strategic Convention Kuala Lumpur 2003
- Founder of “Sports Masters Global Award” (2005)
- Organizing Chairman of:
 - Invacare World Team Wheelchair Tennis Cup ‘Q’ (KL’99)
 - 1st Malaysia International Open Wheelchair Tennis Championship (KL’99)
 - 1st Asean Para Games (KL2001)
 - 3rd IPC World Powerlifting Championship (KL2002)
 - IPC-APC Accredited Technical & Classification Courses (2002-2005)
 - 3rd Asia Pacific Archery Championship (Shah Alam 2004)
 - 4th IPC World Bowls Championship (KL2004)
 - 1st Asian Paralympic Badminton Cup (KL2004)
 - 1st Asia Wheelchair Basketball Cup (KL2005)
 - IWBF Asia Oceania Junior Championship (KL2005)
 - 1st Asia Swimming Championships (KL2005)
 - Asia and South Pacific Table Tennis Championships (KL2005)
 - Asia and South Pacific Powerlifting Championship (KL2005)
 - Asia and South Pacific Boccia Championships (KL2005)
 - KL’06 9th FESPIC Games (KL2006)
 - Organizing Chairman of 2007 IPC Powerlifting Asian Championships (KL2007)
 - Organizing Chairman of Asian Women Leadership Summit in Paralympic movement (KL2008)
 - Patron of the 2009 IPC Shooting Asian Championships, Cheongju City
 - Organizing Chairman of KL’09 5th Asean Para Games (KL2009)
 - Organizing Chairman of 2009 IPC Powerlifting Asian Championships
 - Organizing Chairman of 2009 IPC General Assembly, Kuala Lumpur (KL2009)

- Deputy President of Malaysian Paralympic Council since 1989
- President of Malaysian Paralympic Council since 2005
- CEO of Malaysian Paralympic Council since 1998
- Chairman of National Athletes Training Committee
- Chairman of MPC's solidarity Fund (Athletes Welfare)
- Chairman of 10- Year Plan National Paralympic Movement (GPN 2010)
- Chairman of Malaysian Paralympic Cooperative Organization (2005 till now)
- Chairman of Global Malaysian Sports Masters Award (2005)
- Chef-de-Mission of Seoul '88, Barcelona'92, Atlanta'96
- Organizing Chairman of National Games: Paralimpiad Malaysia '96, '98, '00, '02, '04, '06, '08
- Advisor of Putra Sports City Plan (2005)
- Advisor of MPC's Building Committee (2005)
- Advisor National Accredited Coaching and Classification committee
- Member of National Sports Consultative Council (Chairman - Minister in charge of sports)
- Member of National Disabled Consultative & Coordinating Council (Chairman- Minister in charge of Social Welfare)
- CEO of KL06: The 9th FESPIC Games, Kuala Lumpur 2006

Professional Career

- Ex-Director General of Sports of the Ministry of Youth and Sports Malaysia (Retired in 1996 after 32 years of various government services)

Other Appointments Held

- Founding President, Malaysian Sports Tourism Council (1990 – 2003)
- Founding President, Sports Masters Foundation (2002-till now);
- President, Carrom Malaysia Association (1997-2008);
- Vice President Asian Carrom Con-federation- ACC (2002-2008);
- Vice President, International Carrom Federation – ICF (2001-2008).
- Advisor to Sports Tourism Council Malaysia (till now)
- Chairman, Malaysia-Everest 97' Project
- President Asean Para Sports Federation (2001 till now)
- Member of IPC Development Working Group (2004)
- Member of IPC Sports Award Committee (2005)
- President Asian Paralympic Committee (2002 till now)
- IPC Governing Board Member (2002 till now)

Awards and Achievements

- The Federal Government Award A.M.N by HRM The King (1991)
- Distinguished Member of the Honour Society Award by Malaysian Association for Physical Education, Sports Science (1997)
- The Federal Government Award J.S.M by HRM The King (2000)
- A Tribute from IOC for the contribution as a volunteer to the development of sports, friendship & solidarity (2001)
- Malaysia Book of Records for organizing the 1st Asean Para Games (2001)
- "Tokoh Sukan" the National " Sports For All" Leadership Award by the Ministry of Youth and Sports Malaysia (2002)

- Certificate of Sports Excellence Performance for NGO by Ministry of Youth and Sports Malaysia (2002)
- Global Malaysian Sports Masters Award (2005)
- Member of Panel Advisory Sports of Malaysia (2005-2006)
- National Sports Award 2006 – Special Award
- “Darjah Kebesaran Mahkota Pahang Yang Amat Mulia- Peringkat Kedua Darjah Indera Mahkota Pahang (DIMP) title “ Dato”
- Nominee and 1st runner up for ‘ Sports Administrator of the Year, Award at the 26th Annual Commonwealth Sports Award Ceremony, London (29 November 2006)
- ‘Seni Silat Lincah’ Highest Order Award 2007

Volunteer Positions

- CEO of Malaysian Paralympic Council since 1988

Education

- Certificate of Teaching Profession and Physical Education Specialist (MTC & STTI)
- Certificate of Sports Management USSA

Hobbies

- Sports