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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ASEAN	Association of Southeast Asian Nations
BRS	Business Reply Service
CAD	Computer-aided Design
CAM	Computer-aided Manufacturing
CD	Innovation Co-operation Diversity
CESS	Community and Employment Support Service Unit
CNC	Computerised Numerical Control
CSIL	Centre for Industrial Studies
EC	European Commission
EFE	Export Furniture Exhibition Malaysia
EPU	Economic Planning Unit
FD	Innovation Funding Diversity
FDIs	Foreign Direct Investments
FDM	Furniture Design and Manufacturing
FIRA	Furniture Industrial and Research Association
FRIM	Forest Research Institute Malaysia
FTL	Furniture Testing Laboratory
HEIs	Higher Education Institutions
HMT	High-tech and medium-high-tech
IAD	Innovation Activities Diversity
ICT	Information and Communication Technology
ILP	<i>Institut Latihan Perindustrian</i> (Industrial Training Institute)
IMP	Industrial Master Plan
ISIC	International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities
ISO	International Organisation of Standardisation
JETRO	Japan External Trade Organization
JPBD	<i>Jabatan Perancangan Bandar dan Desa</i> (Department of Town and Country Planning)
LMT	Low and Medium-Low-Tech
MASTIC	Malaysian Science and Technology Information Centre
MATRADE	Malaysian External Trade Development Corporation
MFA	Muar Furniture Association
MFEA	Malaysia Furniture Entrepreneur Association
MFPC	Malaysian Furniture Promotion Council
MIDA	Malaysian Industrial Development Authority
MIFF	Malaysian International Furniture Fair
MITI	Ministry of International Trade and Industry
MNCs	Multinational Corporations
MOHA	Ministry of Home Affairs
MOHR	Ministry of Human Resources
MOSTI	Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation
MPIC	Ministry of Plantation Industries and Commodities
MPM	Majlis Perbandaran Muar (Muar Municipal Council)
MPOB	Malaysian Palm Oil Board
MRM	Malaysia Design Council
MSIC	Malaysia Standard Industrial Classification
MTC	Malaysian Timber Council
MTDC	Malaysian Technology Development Corporation
MTIB	Malaysian Timber Industry Board

MTIB	Malaysian Timber Industry Board
MTQ	Malaysia Trade Quarterly
NATIP	National Timber Industry Policy
n.e.c.	Not elsewhere classified
NTBFs	New Technology-based Firms
NOSS	National Occupational Skill Standard
OBM	Original Brand Manufacturer
ODM	Original Design Manufacturer
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
OEM	Original Equipment Manufacturer
PILOT	Policy and Innovation in Low-Tech
PRIs	Public Research Institutions
R&D	Research and Development
RCA	Revealed Comparative Advantage
RIS	Regional Innovation Systems
RM	Ringgit Malaysia
RFN	<i>Rancangan Fizikal Negara</i> (National Physical Plan)
RSN	<i>Rancangan Struktur Negeri</i> (State Structure Plan)
RT	<i>Rancangan Tempatan</i> (Local Plan)
SD	Knowledge and Technology Sourcing Diversity
SIRIM	Standards and Industrial Research Institute of Malaysia
SIS	Sectoral Innovation Systems
SMEs	Small and Medium-sized Enterprises
SPSS	Statistical Package for the Social Sciences
STI	Science, Technology and Innovation
TPP	Technological Product and Process
UiTM	<i>Universiti Teknologi MARA</i>
UK	United Kingdom
UN	United Nations
UPM	<i>Universiti Putra Malaysia</i>
USA	United States of America
USD	United States Dollar
USM	<i>Universiti Sains Malaysia</i>
WISDEC	Wood Industry Skills Development Centre