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## A BRIEF SUMMARY OF SCIENTIFIC HIGHLIGHTS:

Malaysia International Seminar on Antarctica 4 (MISA4), was organized on 1-4 April 2009, co-organized with UM. A total of 29 oral presenters presented their papers during the 3 sessions. Another 30 presented their research findings through the posters session.

In conjunction with MISA4, two workshops entitled Workshop I: Recent Antarctic Climate Change and Its Implications on the Marine and Terrestrial Biota; and Workshop II: Molecular Markers Techniques for the Identification of the Transport Pathways of Organic Pollutants in Extreme Environment have been organized

2 Asian Forum for Polar Sciences (AFOPS) Delegates Meeting was held at the Polar Research Institute of China (PRIC), in Pudong, Shanghai on 9-10 September 2009 and in the Korean Polar Research Institute on 22-23 September 2008. 4 Malaysian Delegates attended the meting.

5 MARP Researchers participated in two Antarctic Expeditions with the Ecuadorian Antarctic Expedition (INAE) from January to February 2009.

2 MARP Researchers from the University of Malaya participated in Antarctic Expedition with the British Antarctic Survey (BAS) from November 2008 to January 2009

Two MARP researchers were invited to attend Latin American Scientific Symposium and to conduct a setting up bio molecular laboratory at Chilean Institute in September 2008. Chilean Antarctic Program has been sponsoring 2-3 places for our researchers for Antarctic Expedition. This effort is to ensure continuous support from the Chilean Antarctic Program.

2 MARP PhD candidates from University of Malaya participated in Arctic Expedition with Alfred Wegener Institute (AWI) of Germany in June 2008.