



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Megan Lehtonen
(909) 472-4133
megan.lehtonen@iapmo.org

**IAPMO, BSN to Co-Host World Plumbing Day,
Indonesian National Standard for Plumbing Systems Launch Event March 18**

Jakarta, Indonesia (March 16, 2015) – The International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO®) and the National Standardization Agency of Indonesia (BSN) on March 18 at the Ritz-Carlton, Jakarta, will co-host an industry and media event to bring awareness about World Plumbing Day and introduce the result of their joint efforts, the Indonesian National Standard (SNI) for plumbing systems.

The event, revolving around the World Plumbing Council's (WPC) annual World Plumbing Day — March 11, Every Year, Everywhere — will celebrate the successful development of the first Indonesian National Standard for plumbing — SNI 8513:2015, *Plumbing Systems for Buildings* — highlighting the need for standardization across the plumbing industry, from standards to certification, and how this document will have an immediate, lasting impact on every citizen of Indonesia. Scheduled from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., with lunch and refreshments provided, the event will feature opening remarks by Sudhakaran Nair, WPC chairman; GP Russ Chaney, The IAPMO Group CEO; Kristen Bauer, deputy chief of Mission, U.S. Embassy Jakarta; Prof. Dr. Bambang Prasetya, BSN chairman; Saleh Husin, minister of Industry; Hanif Dhakiri, minister of Manpower; and Basuki Hadimuljono, minister of Public Works and Housings.

The official launching of SNI Plumbing Systems follows.

The event will feature three panel discussions on subjects directly germane to plumbing systems and their impact on health and safety in Indonesia.

- Session 1: The implementation of plumbing technology in regional construction development
- Session 2: The role of plumbing regulation in the development of housing and building, including ensuring clean water and sanitary living conditions, to prepare Indonesia for globalization era
- Session 3: The role of government, public, and plumbing industry in implementing SNI Plumbing Systems

Delta, Kohler, Toto, E/One Sewer Systems, Lucky Top, TSP, and Viega are supporting organizations for this important event.

IAPMO and BSN have collaborated for more than a decade, openly sharing knowledge, resources and ideas that would aid in the development of Indonesian national standards. IAPMO is not only working with officials in Indonesia to enhance the national plumbing system standard to assist in protecting the health and safety of the nation's citizens through the safe delivery of water through properly installed and certified products, but also helping to promote a level playing field for all manufacturers by providing the necessary capacity building and technical assistance for enforcement.

The WPC in 2010 established March 11 as World Plumbing Day, an annual celebration to promote appreciation of the plumbing industry's vital work on behalf of the planet and its people. The event aims to help the general public better understand how the plumbing industry protects the public's health and safety, demonstrate the extent to which it works to limit mankind's environmental footprint and to illuminate other important and often unsung work performed by contractors, inspectors, installers, engineers, manufacturers and academicians. IAPMO has been an enthusiastic supporter of World Plumbing Day from its inception, developing educational materials and administering student contests to promote the event.

For more information, visit www.iapmo.org, or for specific information on this event, visit www.worldplumbingday.org.