



Making Malaysia Home

Working and living in Malaysia is a wonderful and fulfilling experience as Fermin Fautsch, Vice President, ICT Services of VADS Berhad reveals.

Fermin Fautsch has worked and lived in Malaysia since 2009 and is enjoying every minute of it. As a technology executive, he recently joined VADS (a Telekom Malaysia Company) to head the Group's ICT business. In addition he is a Board Director and Chairman of the EU-Malaysia Chamber of Commerce and Industry, as well as represents Malaysia as a Council Member in the EU-ASEAN Business Council. An avid swimmer, golfer and diver, Fautsch, like many expatriates in the country, has chosen Malaysia to be his home due to the warm and hospitable nature of its people as well as its dynamic and ever-growing role in ASEAN.

Why Malaysia?

Before coming to Malaysia I was based in Sao Paulo, Brazil. My previous company offered me the opportunity to come to Asia to lead the Asian business as the Regional CEO, covering South East Asia, Hong Kong and Taiwan.

I had done some work in Asia before and was keen to return to this region in a more permanent role. Asia, and the ASEAN region in particular, is a dynamic and growing region, offering many opportunities and Malaysia is in the epicentre and can become a hub of entry for this market.

How would you describe your Malaysian experience so far?

It has been great and I have decided, with the help of Talent Corporation Malaysia (TalentCorp), to make Malaysia my home. I was warmly welcomed, made friends quickly and I am very comfortable and happy living here. In addition, Malaysia has great infrastructure and is located in the heart of ASEAN offering great opportunities for professionals like myself.

What's the best thing you like about the country?

I like the country as a whole, in a holistic way. I like its people,

culture, location, weather and food. I currently work for a Malaysian-based group (TM) which enhances my Malaysian experience. I enjoy the weather and I also enjoy playing golf in the weekends on courses which are minutes away from my house. You can't find these conveniences in many capitals even in ASEAN.

Would Malaysia be a place you'd recommend people to work in?

Absolutely, in fact I have recommended TalentCorp's Resident Pass-Talent programme to friends and colleagues. I am happy that at most of my recommended friends have gotten the RP-T. Also, over the last year due to the challenges and the recession going on in the West, I have gotten many requests and interests from partners and friends to come to Malaysia.

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