



BRIEFING IN PROGRESS: (From left) Siti Kasmah, Aminah, Rama and Levas during the press conference.

## Over 200 from across the world expected at Borneo Research Council conference

**MIRI:** More than 200 participants from all over the world are expected to attend the Borneo Research Council conference from July 5 to 7.

Hosted by Curtin University of Technology Sarawak campus for the first time, the overall theme of the conference is 'Borneo: Continuity, Change and Preservation'.

About 100 abstracts and papers to be presented during the conference have been received to date.

"The keynote speaker is Dr Clifford Sather, who obtained his PhD in social anthropology from Harvard university in

1971," lecturer Bibi Aminah said during a press conference yesterday.

Lecturer Rama Venkatasawmy, associate lecturer Siti Kasmah Mohd Kassim and chief librarian Levas Mejus were also present.

The objectives of the conference include promoting Borne-related research in the social, biological and medical sciences, enabling research communities, government departments and relevant parties to keep abreast of ongoing research and its results, to draw attention to urgent research, findings and conclusions, to coordinate

the flow of information from diverse sources pertaining to Borneo-related research, to disseminate rapidly initial findings and outcomes of research activity and to inform interested sections of the public about research in Borneo.

Members of non-governmental organisations (NGOs) and managers and staff of private companies, government bodies, as well as interested members of the public are most welcome to participate in the conference.

"The daily registration fee for the conference is RM180 which include the

day's sessions, conference abstracts/notes, morning and afternoon tea and lunch.

"Full registration is RM350 which include all sessions, conference abstracts/notes, conference pack, morning and afternoon tea and lunch, welcoming reception and conference dinner," Rama said.

More information can be obtained from the conference website — [www.curtin.edu.my/brc2010](http://www.curtin.edu.my/brc2010) - or by contacting Levas Mejus at 085443910 or Anna Dimin Minjap 085443840 or by emailing the conference secretariat at [brc2010secretariat@curtin.edu.my](mailto:brc2010secretariat@curtin.edu.my).