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## THE 20<sup>TH</sup> MALAYSIA STRATEGIC OUTLOOK CONFERENCE “Embracing Disruption: Future Proof Malaysia”

25<sup>th</sup> January 2018 (Thursday) ❖ Istana Hotel, Kuala Lumpur

### PROGRAMME

8.30 am Arrival and Registration of Participants

9.15 am **Welcome Speech** by:-  
■ **Tan Sri Dr. Michael Yeoh**  
Chief Executive Officer /  
Director, Asian Strategy &  
Leadership Institute (ASLI)

9.25 am **Opening Keynote Address –  
“Malaysia’s Trade and Investment  
Outlook: Challenges, Issues and  
Prospects”** by:-  
■ **YB Dato’ Seri Ong Ka Chuan**  
Second Minister of International  
Trade and Industry

9.50 am Morning Refreshments

10.15 am **SESSION 1:  
Geopolitics and Regional  
Outlook: Where Do We Go From  
Here”**

*(Geopolitical challenges impact on regional peace and stability. Will Trumpism and Brexit impact on the Asia regional outlook? What is the impact of China’s recent Party Congress on China’s foreign and economic policies? How will ASEAN cope with geopolitical trends and regional challenges?)*

#### **Speakers:-**

- **Prof. Dr. James Chin**  
Director, Asia Institute,  
University of Tasmania
- **Dr. Oh Ei Sun**  
Visiting Research Fellow, S.  
Rajaratnam School of  
International Studies, Nanyang  
Technological University,  
Singapore

#### **Moderator:-**

- **Prof. Dr. K.S. Nathan**  
Professor, Institute of Ethnic  
Studies (KITA), Universiti  
Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM)

11.45 am **SESSION 2:  
“Malaysia’s Economic Prospects  
and Challenges – Is The Worst  
Over? Is the Recovery  
Sustainable?”**

*(The Malaysian economy managed a robust turnaround in 2017 with strong growth in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> quarters. The 6.2% growth in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter was a surprise. Is the recovery sustainable? What are the key economic issues to manage in 2018? How will the economy perform in the short to medium term?)*

#### **Speakers:-**

- **Dr. Richard Record**  
Lead Economist,  
Macroeconomics & Fiscal  
Management Global Practice,  
The World Bank Group
- **Dato’ Latifah Merican Cheong**  
Deputy President, Malaysian  
Economic Association / former  
Assistant Governor, Bank  
Negara Malaysia
- **Mr. Lee Heng Guie**  
Executive Director, Socio-  
economic Research Center  
(SERC), The Associated  
Chinese Chambers of  
Commerce & Industry Malaysia  
(ACCCIM) / former Head of  
Economic Research, CIMB Bank

**Moderator:-**

- **Tan Sri Ramon Navaratnam**  
Director, ASLI / Chairman, ASLI-CPDS

1.00 pm Lunch and **Special Luncheon Keynote Address – “Innovation, Technology and Disruptive Change – The New Paradigm for Malaysia’s Socio-Economic Development”**

**Luncheon Keynote Speaker:-**

- **YB Datuk Seri Panglima Wilfred Madius Tangau**  
Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation

2.30 pm **SESSION 3: Malaysia’s Political Outlook: What’s Happening in Malaysian Politics: What’s Next to Come?”**

*(2018 is General Elections Year with the 14<sup>th</sup> General Elections expected to be held after Chinese New Year. What are the key issues in the upcoming GE? What is the likely outcome? What is different between the ruling BN Government and the Opposition Pakatan Rakyat? With 70% of the voting population made up of Malay voters, how will Malay voters vote in the 14<sup>th</sup> GE?)*

**Speakers:-**

- **Mr. Ivanpal Singh Grewal**  
Political Secretary to Minister of Plantation Industries and Commodities
- **Mr. Gan Ping Sieu**  
President, Centre for a Better Tomorrow (CENBET)
- **Dr. Ong Kian Ming**  
MP for Serdang, DAP Central Committee Member

**Moderator:-**

- **Mr. Arthur Joseph Kurup**  
Deputy President, Parti Bersatu Rakyat Sabah (PBRSS)

3.45 pm **SESSION 4: Digitization and Transformation: Artificial Intelligence, Robotics, Virtual Reality and IBS – Competing in the 4<sup>th</sup> Industrial Revolution**

*(How can companies prepare for disruptive change and innovation? How can organizations benefit from and cope with Industry 4.0? What are the key driving forces?)*

**Speakers:-**

- **Mr. Goh Peng Ooi**  
Group Executive Chairman, Silverlake Axis Ltd
- **Tan Sri Rainer Althoff**  
Chairman, T-Systems Malaysia Sdn Bhd
- **Mr. Edward Clayton**  
Senior Executive Director, PwC Consulting Associates (M) Sdn Bhd
- **Dato’ Mark Rozario**  
Chief Executive Officer, GE Malaysia

**Moderator:-**

- **Tan Sri Eddy Chen**  
Group Managing Director, MKH Berhad

5.15 pm **Concluding Remarks: Making Sense of the Future”** by:-

- **Tan Sri Dr. Michael Yeoh**  
Chief Executive Officer / Director, Asian Strategy & Leadership Institute (ASLI)

5.30 pm End of Conference / Afternoon Refreshments.

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**NOTE:-**

The Organiser reserves the right to amend the programme in the best interest of the Conference.

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