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CORPORATE BOARD LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM 2022

MASTERING GOVERNANCE IN THE ERA OF ESG

30 & 31 May 2022 (Monday & Tuesday)
9.00am – 1.15pm

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WHY YOU CANNOT MISS THIS SYMPOSIUM

When analysing environmental, social, and governance (ESG) factors, the "Governance" aspect is often neglected amid considerations over climate risk, societal implications, and other "Environmental" and "Social" priorities. However, it is critical for Boards to understand the Governance risks and opportunities in decision-making given that poor corporate governance practices are at the core of some of the biggest corporate scandals. In addition, the business case for "Governance" shows that values-driven good behaviour ultimately yields better corporate returns.

To support Boards in Mastering Governance in the era of ESG, the virtual 'Corporate Board Leadership Symposium 2022' will address relevant regulatory developments and the best practices for boards to consider in integrating sustainability into their governance practices, within the specific context of the companies that they oversee.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Chairpersons
- Boards of Directors
- Board Members
- Presidents
- Managing Directors
- Chief Executive Officers
- Chief Financial Officers
- Chief Operating Officers
- Chief Compliance Officers
- Senior Management
- Academicians

ATTEND THIS SYMPOSIUM TO GAIN INSIGHTS INTO

- REGULATORY UPDATES
- RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES OF EMBEDDING ESG INTO YOUR ORGANISATION
- THE EVOLUTION OF SHAREHOLDER ACTIVISM
- BOARD OVERSIGHT ON ESG AND HUMAN CAPITAL GOVERNANCE
- CYBER SECURITY AND DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION
- SUSTAINABILITY AND ESG REPORTING

SYMPOSIUM PROGRAMME

	DAY 1
8.30 am	PARTICIPANTS LOG IN TO JOIN THE SYMPOSIUM
9.00 am	**CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STRATEGIC PRIORITIES 2021-2023** The CG Strategic Priorities seek to lay the foundation of the five thrusts on Corporate Governance. These focus on supporting listed companies in responding to rising stakeholder activism that calls for businesses to create value and exercise conscious consideration for a wider spectrum of stakeholders, including society and the environment, towards better sustainability. SPEAKER ***LYA RAHMAN*** *Adviser/Council Member, Institutional Investors Council Malaysia*
9.50 am	PANEL SESSION **LESSONS FROM THE PANDEMIC: MASTERING GOVERNANCE IN THE ERA OF ESG** Governance, simply put, has to do with the rules, roles, and processes through which a company and its board is run. Governance determines who sits at the board table, how these directors gather information and make decisions, and how they communicate with stakeholders and each other. This thought-provoking discussion will centre on: » An overview of 'G' in ESG and why it matters » Linking ESG's proposition to value creation » Communicating the 'G' in ESG to Stakeholders » Linking executive remuneration to climate-related KPIs MODERATOR ***DR VEERINDERJEET SINGH*** *President, Malaysian Institute of Accountants* PANELLISTS ***DATO' SERI JOHAN RASLAN*** *Board of Director, Institute of Corporate Directors Malaysia (ICDM)* ***PROF MAK YUEN TEEN*** *Professor (Practice) of Accounting, NUS Business School, National University of Singapore* ***DR RACHEL BAIRD*** *Specialist Advisor, Effective Governance*
11.00 am	BREAK
11.10 am	PANEL SESSION **ESG: RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR BUSINESSES** BROUGHT TO YOU BY: assuringGroup The business landscape is changing rapidly with the introduction of new risks and opportunities. Consequently, businesses should evaluate the risks and opportunities of climate change and its mitigation to ensure their long-term resilience and business sustainability. This session will focus on: » An overview of ESG risks and opportunities » The relevance of risk-based decision making on climate issues in business, investment and financing decisions (strategy & practical tips) » How to conduct risk-based corporate due diligence on climatological risks » Regulatory Framework: BNM's Climate Change and Principle-based Taxonomy's Guiding Principles MODERATOR ***WAN RUSHAIDI IMRAN*** *Principal Consultant, Assuring Consulting Sdn Bhd* PANELLISTS ***DR ALBERTO R. MELGOZA*** *Fellow Member, Governance Institute of Australia* ***HONG CHIN PHENG*** *Director, Financial Conglomerates Supervision Department, Bank Negara Malaysia* ***JEROME CHING*** *Head of Sales (ASEAN – Mid Market), Diligent Corporation* ***SUREN CHELLIAH*** *Head, Group Risk Research, Maybank*
12.15 pm	PANEL SESSION **THE EVOLUTION OF SHAREHOLDER ACTIVISM** Shareholder activism is evolving in directions that demand high-level boardroom attention, marked by events that attest to a sea change in climate and ESG, notably climate activists winning three Exxon board seats during the annual meeting that produced the "proxy vote heard 'round the world." In this session that will review aggressive activist techniques and best practices for effective corporate defence, the panel members will discuss: » Issues and experiences vis-a-vis the board's position on shareholder activism » How boards can assess their vulnerability to activist campaigns, and steps that can pre-empt activist campaigns » Strengthening shareholder relations to protect the company's future and reputation » Communicating ESG strategy to the broader workforce and external stakeholders MODERATOR ***NORHISHAM ABD BAHRIN*** *Partner, Azmi & Associates* PANELLISTS ***DEVANESAN EVANSON*** *Chief Executive Officer, Minority Shareholders Watch Group (MSWG)* ***JAMIE ALLEN*** *Secretary General, Asian Corporate Governance Association, Hong Kong* ***LIM CHEONG GUAN*** *Executive Director, Top Glove Corporation Bhd*
1.15 pm	END OF DAY 1

DAY 2

8.30 am PARTICIPANTS LOG IN TO JOIN THE SYMPOSIUM

9.00 am

BOARD'S OVERSIGHT IN ESG AND HUMAN CAPITAL GOVERNANCE

Human capital which is core to the "Social" element in ESG has become a key issue in the boardroom as ESG compliance involves meeting increased disclosure requirements relating to human capital. This is prompting boards to consider exercising better oversight and governance processes on such issues as inclusion and diversity (I&D), pay equitability and culture. This talk will delve into the following matters:

- Purpose-driven governance to achieve long-term, sustainable value creation
- The board's and the remuneration committee's role in shaping and driving a company's ESG priorities and agenda
- Inclusion of ESG metrics in executive incentive plans

SPEAKER
TAN SHU-TZE *Author of Human Race 4.0 and Organisational & People Strategist*

9.50 am

PANEL SESSION

BRINGING DIGITALISATION TO THE BOARDROOM

Boards today have many issues that compete for their attention, but "being digitally conversant in an era of (accelerated) digital transformation" is rapidly gaining pace. Nearly all companies are exploring how technology can be used to improve their business models, customer experience, operational efficiency, and heightened Board oversight in this area is critical. This panel will share the following insights for successful digital adoption:

- Critical factors of governance in the digital era
- Digital Risk: Transforming risk management
- What makes a Board digitally savvy?
- Digital Risk: Transforming the risk management function
- Key takeaways for boards as they consider digitalisation

MODERATOR
WONG PEI YUEN *CTO, IBM Security in ASEAN, Australia, New Zealand and Korea*

PANELLISTS
DR CARRINE TEOH CHOOI SHI *Chief Strategy Officer, Bond Holdings*
DEBORA BIELECKI *Board Chair, Circular Rubber Technologies*
SURINA SHUKRI *Independent Non-Executive Director, Capital A Berhad (formerly known as AirAsia Group Berhad)*

10.55 am BREAK

11.05 am

PANEL SESSION

BOARD'S ROLE IN MANAGING CYBER RISK

With the acceleration of digital adoption, the World Economic Forum Global Risk Report 2021 found that cybersecurity failure ranks fourth in the top short-term risks facing companies. Boards should thus view each major new digital transformation initiative through the lens of cyber risk oversight and analyse their cybersecurity issues as part of strategic implications and enterprise risk. This panel session will impart practical knowledge on:

- The principles of managing cyber risk
- Aligning cyber-risk management with business needs
- How to establish an effective cybersecurity risk management programme

MODERATOR
PROFESSOR TS DR MURALI RAMAN *Deputy Vice Chancellor, Asia Pacific University (APU)*

PANELLIST
DATO' TS DR HAJI AMIRUDIN ABDUL WAHAB *Chief Executive Officer, CyberSecurity Malaysia*
MOHD AZHAM HASSAN *Data Analytics Consultant*
CHARI TVT *Group Chief Financial Officer (RETIRED), Axiata Group Berhad*

12.10 pm

PANEL SESSION

SUSTAINABILITY & ESG REPORTING: WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

ESG reporting has become a key priority for many businesses due to increased regulatory and public scrutiny. The goal of ESG reporting is to produce a public report that conveys strategic objectives for a business' ESG efforts by highlighting specific topic areas and targets for future development, and then communicates strategies to close the gaps between the current and ideal future states. This session will invoke a leading discussion on:

- Frameworks and standards: Creating a joint-up approach to non-financial reporting
- Data and metrics: How to gather the right data and give it true meaning–setting targets for climate-related revenues
- The new age of sustainability reporting: What the future holds
- Ensuring that companies do not just "green" their activities but embed new strategic models
- Understanding the multi-standard reporting landscape

MODERATOR
DR. SHYAMALA DHORAISINGAM SAMUEL *Committee Member, Professional Accountants in Business, MIA*

PANELLISTS
DATUK JOHAN MAHMOOD MERICAN *National Budget Director, Ministry of Finance, Malaysia*
KARINA NOR *International Sustainability Specialist*
DR RENARD SIEW *Sustainability and Climate Change Specialist*

1.15 pm END OF SYMPOSIUM

SYMPOSIUM SPEAKERS

DR ALBERTO R. MELGOZA

Alberto is an international executive advisor serving markets in Australasia, Middle East, the Americas, the UK and Europe. He holds a PhD and Master by Research in Business. He has authored numerous articles presented at international conferences and based on his research has been awarded with prestigious awards in the USA and the UK. He is also a Fellow member of the Governance Institute of Australia, member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors, member of the Committee for Governance, Compliance and Ethics at Financial Executives International, and a member of the American Psychological Association. He has authored relevant publications in specialist journals. Alberto has served as guest speaker in many events on issues associated with strategy, sustainability, risk management, and C-Suite mentorship and coaching. Throughout his career Alberto has led relevant corporate transformations such as assisting Saudi Aramco with their IPO and has assisted many corporations with Corporate and Risk Governance. Alberto has thorough expertise and experience associated with ESG factors, and their related metrics, measurements, and disclosures.

DATO' TS DR HAJI AMIRUDIN ABDUL WAHAB

Dato' Ts Dr Amir is the Chief Executive Officer of CyberSecurity Malaysia, the agency that monitors e-sovereignty of the country. He has approximately 30 years of ICT working experience in the telecom and IT sector in the Government as well as in the semi-government and private sectors. He is an Advisory Board Member of The Economist Intelligence Unit on Asia Smart City Programme 2016. He was appointed as Microsoft Asia Pacific Executive Council Member and CyberEdBoard Member in January 2021; to Advisory board of CIT-CERT Coordination Center (C4P) Pakistan in August 2021; as a Member of Consultative Council on Foreign Policy of Ministry of Foreign Affairs from 30 August 2021; and as Professorial Chair of Cybersecurity, Faculty of Computing and Digital Technology, HELP University for 5 Years from January 2022. He was awarded 2021 Australian Alumni Award and 2021 Distinguished Alumni Award in December 2021. Dato' Ts Dr Amir holds a PhD from the School of Information Technology & Electrical Engineering (ITEE), University of Queensland, Australia; two Master's degrees, a Master's in Business Administration from the University of Duqubue, Iowa, USA, and a Master's in Information Technology from National University of Malaysia; and a Bachelor of Science Engineering in Electrical Engineering from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA.

DR CARRINE TEOH CHOOI SHI

Dr Carrine is Chief Strategy Officer at Bond Holdings and adjunct lecturer at Universiti Teknologi Petronas. With 20 years of experience in engineering technology and cybersecurity, her areas of expertise are CNI protection, standards, and privacy. She has vast experience in cybersecurity frameworks, ISO 27001, Common Criteria, PDPA, Cyber Ethics and Critical Infrastructure Protection. She is passionate about synergy of business and technology, emphasising on digital economy and cybersecurity, and on developing the next generation of cybersecurity talents. She also champions empowerment and active involvement of women in technology and cybersecurity. She is Vice President of ASEAN CIO Association (Cybersecurity & Governance Chapter), Global Chapter Security & Cyber Security Committee in Della Leaders Club, VigiTrust Global Advisory Board member, and Vice President for Nanyang Technological University Singapore Alumni (Malaysia). She is a member of the Organisation for Women in Science for the Developing World, Association of Information System, Malaysian Institute of Management, and the team which spearheaded Malaysian Women in Security. She was awarded Top 10 Women in Security in Malaysia 2020, Top 10 Linkedin ASEAN Cybersecurity Influencers 2021, and Top 30 Women in Cybersecurity in ASEAN 2021. Dr Carrine holds a PhD in Information Technology (Cybersecurity) from Universiti Teknologi Petronas, MBA from University of South Australia, and Bachelor of Engineering (Electrical & Electronics) from Nanyang Technological University, Singapore. She is a Certified Information Systems Security Professional and Certified Business Continuity Professional.

CHARI TVT

Chari was Group Chief Financial Officer at Axiata Group Berhad until retiring in 2016. Subsequently, he has been taking senior advisory and consulting assignments, including with a listed infrastructure company in Malaysia, a global valuation company and a high-tech semiconductor fabrication company. He is a Board and Board advisory member of a telecommunications company and an analytics and software company. Prior to the Axiata Group, he was Vice President of Sales for Asia Pacific and Japan at HP Financial Services and had served HP for over 20 years. He holds an MBA from State University of New York at Buffalo, and is a Fellow member of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants UK, an Associate member of Institute of Chartered Accountants and the Institute of Cost and Works Accountants of India. He is an advisory member of MIA's Subcommittee and an advisor to a UK-based listed software company.

DEBORA BIELECKI

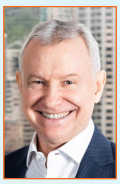
Debora is a global tech-savvy corporate director with over 30 years of experience in innovation and sustainability within Financial Services, Technology and Supply Chain. She is a steward for the future in emerging innovations within all aspects of digital transformation and governing the use of artificial intelligence. She is driven by her passion to demonstrate a diverse perspective on how technology and people can be leveraged to create purposeful outcomes, for all Stakeholders. Debora is currently serving as the Board Chair at Circular Rubber Technologies, and on the boards for Bank of Canada, and Canadian Light Source.

DEVANESAN EVANSON

Devanesan is Chief Executive Officer of the Minority Shareholders Watch Group. He is also an adjunct professor at Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, a member of the Industry Advisor Panel of International University of Malaya-Wales, a member of the Integrated Reporting Steering Committee of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA), and sits on the Board of Agensi Kaunseling dan Pengurusan Kredit as an Independent Director and as Chairman of the Audit Committee. He is a Past-President of the ACCA Advisory Committee, Past-President of the Institute of Internal Auditors Malaysia, and Past-Council Member of MIA. Devanesan retired from Bursa Malaysia in 2010 after serving Bursa Malaysia for eighteen years. He started his career at Bursa Malaysia as Head of Internal Audit and Risk Management. He was also, at one time, the Chief Regulatory Officer and later, the Chief Market Operations Officer of Bursa Malaysia. He is a qualified Accountant (FCCA) and a Chartered Member MIA, and a Fellow member of the Institute of Internal Auditors Malaysia (FIIAM). He also holds a law degree (LLB Hons) from the University of London.

HONG CHIN PHENG

Chin Pheng is currently a Director at Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) and has 25 years of experience in supervising domestic banking groups. She represents BNM in The Network of Central Banks and Supervisors for Greening the Financial System (NGFS)'s workstream on Supervision. She was a member of the Bank's cross-functional project team on Climate Change and has led the workstream on 'Supervisory and Micro-prudential' until April 2022. She also co-chaired the 'Risk Management' sub-committee of the Joint Committee on Climate Change (JC3) from September 2019 to April 2022. Chin Pheng holds a degree in accounting and is a member of MIA and MICPA.



JAMIE ALLEN

Jamie is the founding Secretary General of Asian Corporate Governance Association (ACGA), an independent membership association carrying out original research, advocacy and education on corporate governance in Asia since 1999. A published author, he has more than 30 years of experience writing about Asian business, finance, and economics. Prior to founding ACGA, he was a consultant providing customised research to multinational companies. From 1992 to 1995, he was editor of Business Asia for the Economist Intelligence Unit and a contributor to The Economist magazine from 1994 to 1996. He is one of the main authors of Awakening Governance: The evolution of corporate governance in China and CG Watch 2020—Future promise, the two reports published by ACGA in July 2018 and May 2021 respectively. His past public service roles include being a member of the Public Shareholders' Group, formed by the Hong Kong Securities and Futures Commission (SFC), sitting on the Listing Committee of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong, and serving on the Operations Oversight Committee of the Financial Reporting Council of Hong Kong. In 2017, he received an International Corporate Governance Network Lifetime Achievement Award and a Regional CG Recognition Award from the Minority Shareholders Watch Group of Malaysia. In 2022, he received the Market Reform Award from IFLR Asia-Pacific, in recognition of his work in developing market frameworks to improve the investment landscape.

SYMPOSIUM SPEAKERS

JEROME CHING

Jerome has been part of the Diligent Corporation since 2019 and involved with helping clients in Australia and rest of Asia Pacific in providing them with the tools in Governance. He has worked with both public, private, and non-profit organisations to improve board governance. With the recent acquisition of R&C and ESG organisations, Diligent is now the largest GRC organisation in the world and he is involved with growing the Diligent presence in Asia to provide leaders world class solutions to empower their teams. Jerome holds a Bachelor of Finance, Accounting, and Management from the University of Nottingham, UK and a Master's Degree in Management from the University of Sydney, Australia.

DATUK JOHAN MAHMOOD MERICAN

Datuk Johan is a qualified Chartered Accountant (ICAEW) and graduated with an Economics Degree from the University of Cambridge. Since 2004, he has served in various roles including National Budget Director at the Ministry of Finance, Deputy Director General (Human Capital) of the Economic Planning Unit and CEO of Talent Corporation Malaysia. Since March 2022, he has held the position of Deputy Secretary General (Policy) at the Ministry of Finance. Before joining the government in 2004, he worked for 9 years in corporate finance and accounting roles in the private sector.

DATO' SERI JOHAN RASLAN

Dato' Seri Johan has over 35 years of experience in auditing, accounting, business advisory and corporate governance. He is a former Executive Chairman of PwC Malaysia. He worked in auditing and advisory for 10 years in London and 20 years in Kuala Lumpur. He retired from PwC in 2012. Johan holds a Bachelor of Economics (Hons) degree in Economics and Accountancy from the University of Hull, United Kingdom. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales, a member of the Malaysian Association of Certified Public Accountants and the Malaysian Institute of Accountants. He was the President of Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants from 2011 to 2012. He is also an Eisenhower Fellow. Johan is currently a director of Sime Darby Properties Berhad and a board member of the Audit Oversight Board. He was previously a board member of two other companies listed on Bursa Malaysia, a statutory body, a government pension fund, and a charity organisation. He has served government in several roles in the past including as Chairman of the Financial Reporting Foundation. An advocate of gender diversity in the boardroom, Johan also works with the CEO Action Network and Climate Governance Malaysian on the issue of Climate Change. He has been involved in Corporate Governance issues since 2000, when he assisted the Securities Commission with the roll-out of the first Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance.

KARINA NOR

Karina is an international sustainability specialist, sustainability senior consultant, and corporate trainer. She has over 20 years of experience as a senior corporate leader in both public and private sectors specialising in sustainability, policy development, regulations, public financial management, strategic planning, change and transformation management, quality and business process management, and business development. She had served as Senior General Manager, Head of Group Corporate Strategy Division at Malaysia Airports Holdings Bhd; General Manager, Head of Corporate Planning at Indah Water Konsortium Sdn Bhd; and various management roles with the Securities Commission Malaysia, Maybank Investment Bank Bhd, Ernst & Young LLP, and Arthur Andersen LLP. She is a Fellow of ICAEW, a Chartered Accountant of MIA, and an ASEAN Chartered Professional Accountant (ACPA), as well as a member of Malaysian Institute of Management, International Society of Sustainability Professionals USA, and Institute of Corporate Directors Malaysia. She also served on the Boards of several public listed subsidiaries. Karina holds an MSc in Islamic Finance from INCEIF University, BCom (Hon) Business Studies & Accounting from University of Edinburgh, UK and Diploma in Digital Marketing from Chartered Institute of Marketing, UK.

LIM CHEONG GUAN

Cheong Guan is the Executive Director of Top Glove Corporation Bhd. His portfolio covers treasury, corporate finance, accounting, and investor relations of the Top Glove Group of Companies. He began his career with Price Waterhouse in 1990 and subsequently held various key positions in a number of public listed companies in Malaysia, whose activities spanned over manufacturing, plantation, trading and property development. He joined Top Glove as the Group Financial Controller in 2005 and was appointed to the board on 31 August 2006. He graduated from University of Malaya with a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting in 1990, and is a member of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants and Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

LYA RAHMAN

Lya is Adviser/Council Member of the Institutional Investors Council Malaysia, established in July 2015. She is also Chairperson of the Sustainable Investment Platform jointly established by the IIC and Capital Markets Malaysia, and is a member of the Integrated Reporting Steering Committee of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants. She is a member of the ICGN Global Network of Investor Association and ICGN Global Stewardship Codes Network and was the judge for the ICGN Global Stewardship Awards for 2018 and 2020. Prior to that, she spent 18 years with the Minority Shareholders Watchdog Group (MSWG) and have often raised pertinent issues of concern relating to corporate governance and rights of minority shareholders at PLCs' general meetings. She was the ASEAN CG Experts representing Malaysia since 2012 until she left MSWG in 2019 and headed the ASEAN CG Assessment for the Malaysian PLCs under the MSWG-Malaysia CG Index Project during her tenure with MSWG. Lya is very passionate on Corporate Governance and shareholder activism matters and have written articles on the subject matter which were published in the StarBiz, The Edge Financial Daily, and FocusMalaysia. She frequently speaks and participates as panellist at several platforms – both locally and internationally. Prior to joining MSWG, she held various positions at the senior managerial level with various organisations and has been exposed to various businesses, diverse cultures, and management styles, which include the State and Federal Government Departments and Agencies as well as Regulatory Bodies.

PROFESSOR MAK YUEN TEEN

Professor Mak is Professor (Practice) of Accounting at the NUS Business School, National University of Singapore. He has served on corporate governance committees set up by the Singapore authorities to develop and revise the code of corporate governance for listed companies, including the committee under the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS) which released the 2018 Singapore Code. He also serves on the Corporate Governance Advisory Committee under MAS aimed at continually raising corporate governance standards for listed companies in Singapore. Each year, he edits a collection of Asia-Pacific and global case studies which are published by CPA Australia and thus far has written or edited over 220 case studies related to corporate governance. He also produced numerous reports on corporate governance commissioned by the authorities or consulting firms. He developed the Governance and Transparency Index, the first corporate governance rating for Singapore companies, and the first Singapore governance rating for REITs and business trusts. He was the Singapore expert involved in development of the ASEAN CG Scorecard, led the first major project on improving gender diversity on Singapore boards, while his most recent report is on linking of ESG to executive remuneration. He has extensive experience conducting training for directors, regulators and other professionals in Singapore and Malaysia, including the FIDE programme for directors of Malaysian financial institutions, and programmes relating to nomination and remuneration matters. Professor Mak is a regular commentator on corporate governance issues in the Singapore and international media, and regularly posts articles and commentaries on his website Governance for Stakeholders. He is only one of two individuals in Singapore awarded the Corporate Governance Excellence Award by the Securities Investors Association (Singapore), recognised as a CG Pioneer by the Singapore Institute of Directors, and received the corporate governance excellence award from the Minority Shareholders Watchdog Group in Malaysia.

SYMPOSIUM SPEAKERS

MOHD AZHAM HASSAN

Azham was CEO of AGA Touch before venturing out as a consultant on data analytics, and has over 14 years of experience in corporate strategy and planning as well as analytics and reporting. He was involved in the implementation of big data analytics at the Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission (MCMC) and Pos Malaysia, and the financial management systems at companies under the Ministry of Finance and other government agencies. Prior to AGA Touch, he served MCMC as Director of Industry Research Division, focussing on data science and analytics. He was a member of the team that prepared the NFCP Operations Room, the National Digital Infrastructure Lab's Subject Matter Expert team that developed JENDELA, and had coordinated COVID-19 analytics related projects. Prior to MCMC, he was Assistant Vice President of Commercial Operations at Pos Malaysia and was the first Project Manager for big data programmes when it was looking to unlock commercial value from the data it was capturing. Before Pos Malaysia, Azham served with Prokhas, Maybank and BASF. He is also a trainer for Industry 4.0 foundation programme.

PROFESSOR TS DR MURALI RAMAN

Professor TS Dr Murali Raman is both a Rhodes Scholar and a Fulbright fellow. His academic credentials include a PhD from School of IS & IT, Claremont, USA; MBA (Imperial College, London); MSc Human Resources (London School of Economics, UK). Together, Prof Murali and his research team have secured close to RM1.5Million in grant funding over the last five years. He was affiliated to Stanford's Technology Venture Programme as a Faculty Fellow—where he has had and continues to discuss issues surrounding creating a vibrant entrepreneurship ecosystem and application of innovative thinking via Design-Principles in Malaysia. He is a Stanford Certified Design Thinker. He is certified in Neuro-Linguistic Programming (NLP)–2016 as an NLP Certified Practitioner. He is also a Certified Trainer in Coloured Brain Communication and Emotional Drivers based on Directive Communication Psychology. He is also a Fellow with the Malaysian Institute of Management. Throughout his career in the corporate and academic sector, he has managed, led, and directed numerous programmes in relation to digital transformation. With Accenture Consulting he managed a total of nine projects of which three were in Singapore with Tier 1 clients. He continues to consult and assist corporations to transform digitally, using design thinking and business model canvassing ideals. In recognition of his leadership, Prof Murali has received several accolades at the international level. He has published more than 80 papers in international journals, conferences, and book chapters. He was recently appointed as a lead consultant and author of Malaysia's Social Innovation Roadmap by Yayasan Inovasi under MOSTI.

NORHISHAM ABD BAHRIN

Norhisham is a Partner at Azmi & Associates, a legal firm in Kuala Lumpur. His practice focusses on investments, corporate reorganisation, corporate governance and aviation. With over 20 years of corporate experience, he advises large Malaysian companies as well as notable global players on transactions relating to M&As, foreign investments, takeovers, JVs (both local and throughout Asia Pacific) as well as offshore fund investments. He was formally an in-house counsel for a listed oil & gas company as well as a plantation conglomerate. Norhisham is an Advocate & Solicitor at the High Court of Malaya and graduated from the International Islamic University Malaysia with LLB (Hons.) in 1999. He also holds an MBA in International Business from the Royal Docks Business School of the University of East London.

DR RACHEL BAIRD

Dr Rachel Baird is a specialist advisor with Effective Governance, a corporate governance consultant, leadership advisor, non-executive director and chair. She is a current facilitator in Sustainability and Law, an Oxford University/Pearson short course. With a legal background, Rachel is experienced in advising corporate clients on governance, compliance, and risk. She has extensive experience in advising, researching, and teaching in areas of environmental and international law. This has been recognised with commonwealth appointments as Chair of the Sub-Antarctic Fisheries Management Committee and membership of the Northern Marine Park Advisory Committee.

DR RENARD SIEW

Dr Renard is a sustainability and climate change specialist. He was the Co-Chair of the Climate Change & Disaster Risk Management Working Committee and UNEP-FI's Collective Commitment on Climate Action. In 2020, he was appointed an SDG Champion-Climate Action by the World Economic Forum (WEF). He is a member of the WEF Expert Network Group, serves on the WEF Global Future Council on SDG Investment. He was accepted into the Forbes Fellowship Programme and attended the inaugural UN Climate Action Summit in New York in 2019. Renard is part of the facilitation team at the Cambridge Institute of Sustainability Leadership. He was involved in the implementation of the sustainability agenda for several public-listed corporations and was a researcher at the Centre for Energy and Environmental Markets contributing thought leadership in: sustainability/integrated reporting, GHG reporting and verification, ESG integration, socially responsible investment, climate change and sustainable construction for the building/infrastructure sector. Renard is a graduate of Cambridge University and UNSW. In 2013, he was selected as one of 15 scholars to attend the PhD Academy at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH). In 2014, he won a Highly Commended Paper award by the Emerald Literati Network and was inducted into the prestigious Global Young Academy as recognition of his research impact. He was the recipient of the Yayasan Sime Darby Scholarship, Cambridge Bursary Scholarship, ARG Hermes Scholarship, The Equity Initiative (Atlantic Fellows), Brookfield Multiplex Engineering Prize among others. For his work in sustainability, he was named one of Asia's 21 Young Leaders by Asia Society, a Young Leader by the World Cities Summit, Ten Outstanding Young Malaysians (Environmental Leadership), Thomson Reuters Changemaker, Top 10 Most Inspiring Green Warriors and was a 2019 Generation Tatler honouree. He has served as a working group member for the Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB) and is a Sustainable and Resilient Infrastructure (SuRe) Stakeholder Council member.

DR SHYAMALA DHORAISINGAM SAMUEL

Dr Shyamala is a committee member of the Professional Accountants in Business (PAIB) of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA). She joined Monash University Malaysia in 2008. Prior to her academic career, she has worked in the professional practices in the UK and in the commercial sector as an accountant. She is a Fellow member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (UK) as well as a Chartered accountant with MIA.

SURINA SHUKRI

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SYMPOSIUM SPEAKERS

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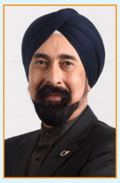

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