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**‘WHERE EVERYONE MATTERS:
PRIDE AND UNITY IN ISLAM’**



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**DULI YANG MAHA MULIA
PADUKA SERI SULTAN PERAK DARUL RIDZUAN
SULTAN NAZRIN MUIZZUDDIN SHAH
IBNI ALMARHUM SULTAN AZLAN MUHIBBUDDIN SHAH AL-MAGHFUR-LAH**



"It always gives me great pleasure to return to this biennial conference, and today is no exception. This international gathering is hosted by Universiti Sultan Azlan Shah, named in honour of my father, Sultan Azlan Muhibbuddin Shah (Marhum Al-Maghfur-Lah). Indeed, perhaps that is why it feels almost like a homecoming. I have returned to this conference over the years, to speak on topics from "Global Peace" to "Our Future World" and, most recently, on "Sharing Our Humanity". It is, without fail, an exciting, energizing occasion: a conference that tackles the very biggest questions of our present moment, bringing together great minds to pursue solutions for the future."

**Royal Address by
HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS SULTAN NAZRIN MUIZZUDDIN SHAH
IBNI ALMARHUM SULTAN AZLAN MUHIBBUDDIN SHAH AL-MAGHFUR-LAH**

" TOGETHER WE STAND : MUSLIMS AND GLOBAL HUMANITY "

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THE RIGHT HONOURABLE DATO' SERI SAARANI MOHAMAD
MENTERI BESAR OF PERAK DARUL RIDZUAN

FOREWORD

MENTERI BESAR OF PERAK DARUL RIDZUAN



Assalamu'alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh.

Salam Sejahtera, Salam Malaysia Madani and Salam Perak Sejahtera 2030.

It is with great honour and profound appreciation that I would like to welcome to all distinguished scholars, practitioners, policymakers, and participants to the 8th World Conference on Islamic Thought and Civilization (WCIT2026). This esteemed gathering serves as a vital platform for intellectual engagement and meaningful dialogue, hence advancing the role of Islamic thought in addressing contemporary global challenges. On behalf of the Perak State Government, we extend our deepest gratitude and highest appreciation to His Royal Highness Paduka Seri Sultan Perak Darul Ridzuan, Sultan Nazrin Muizzuddin Shah ibni Almarhum Sultan Azlan Muhibbuddin Shah Al-Maghfur-lah, for the gracious Royal Patronage of this conference series.

The theme of this year's conference, *"Where Everyone Matters: Pride and Unity in Islam,"* resonates deeply with the universal values found in Islamic teachings. It emphasises the values of inclusivity, social justice, and collective responsibility, reminding us that unity, diversity and mutual respect form the Ummah's strength. At a time when the world faces complex socio-political and economic uncertainties, this theme is both timely and necessary.

The discourse fosters trust, transparency, and ethical leadership. Equally, the need for sustainable economic and educational practices grounded in Islamic principles that promote equity and equality, innovation, and shared prosperity across communities to uplift individuals and transform societies. Moreover, it calls for a renewed commitment to stewardship (*khalifah*) of the Earth, ensuring that development does not come at the expense of faith, ecological balance and future generations.

I believe that WCIT2026 will generate impactful insights, foster interdisciplinary collaboration, and contribute actionable solutions rooted in Islamic values. May this conference inspire us further to building a just, harmonious, and resilient global community. On that note, I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate the Vice-Chancellor of Sultan Azlan Shah University, Prof. Dato' Dr. Wan Sabri bin Wan Yusof, and the WCIT2026 Committee for organizing the conference and etching another milestone in its series.

I wish everyone a great conference and enjoy your time here in Perak Darul Ridzuan.

Thank you.

YAB DATO' SERI SAARANI BIN MOHAMAD
MENTERI BESAR OF PERAK DARUL RIDZUAN

DATO' SERI SAARANI MOHAMAD
The Right Honourable Menteri Besar of Perak Darul Ridzuan



PROF. DATO' DR. WAN SABRI BIN WAN YUSOF
VICE-CHANCELLOR OF USAS & CONFERENCE CHAIR

FOREWORD

CONFERENCE CHAIR



Assalamua'laikum warahmatuLlahi wabarakatuh.

It is my great pleasure to welcome distinguished leaders, scholars, researchers, policymakers, professionals, and participants from around the world to the 8th World Conference on Islamic Thought and Civilization (WCIT2026). On behalf of Universiti Sultan Azlan Shah (USAS), I wish to express our deepest gratitude to DYMM Paduka Seri Sultan Nazrin Muizzuddin Shah ibni Almarhum Sultan Azlan Muhibbuddin Shah Al-Maghfur-lah for His Royal Highness's unwavering patronage of the WCIT series since its inception. We convene at a pivotal moment in history. The world today is marked by geopolitical uncertainty, prolonged conflicts, humanitarian crises, economic volatility, and shifting global power dynamics. These developments remind us that history often repeats itself, compelling us not only to observe these changes but also to respond with wisdom, resilience, and collective responsibility.

Against this backdrop, WCIT2026 embraces the theme **"Where Everyone Matters: Pride & Unity in Islam."** It is a call for the Muslim *Ummah* to reflect on its present condition, strengthen its internal resilience, and reaffirm its shared purpose. The challenges confronting the Muslim World cannot be resolved solely through external intervention; they require sincere self-reflection, renewed commitment, and meaningful cooperation. Recent global events have demonstrated that lasting security and progress cannot depend entirely on the interests or promises of others. The Muslim World must strengthen its own capacities while remaining an active and constructive partner in the international community. Our greatest strength lies in our shared faith, values, and civilisational heritage. While we celebrate our diversity, we must not allow superficial differences to overshadow the principles that unite us; justice, compassion, knowledge, integrity, and mutual respect.

The five sub-themes of WCIT2026 - **Good Governance and Political Stability; The Economy: Development and Cooperation; Education Matters: Social Empowerment; Public Health: Hygiene and Sanitation; and National Integrity and Security**, provide practical avenues for translating these ideals into action. The conference offers a platform for scholars, experts, and practitioners to exchange ideas, share best practices, and develop solutions that contribute to the advancement of the Muslim World and humanity.

On behalf of the Organising Committee, I extend my sincere appreciation to YAB Dato' Seri Anwar Ibrahim, Prime Minister of Malaysia; YB Dato' Seri Diraja Dr. Zambry Abd Kadir, Minister of Higher Education; YAB Dato' Seri Saarani Mohamad, Menteri Besar of Perak; the Government of the State of Perak, our sponsors, strategic partners, distinguished speakers, presenters, volunteers, and organising committee for their invaluable support. May WCIT2026 inspire lasting partnerships, meaningful dialogue, and practical initiatives that contribute to a more united, peaceful, and prosperous future for the Muslim World and humanity.

Thank you.

PROF. DATO' DR. WAN SABRI BIN WAN YUSOF
WCIT2026 CONFERENCE CHAIR



PROF. DATO' DR. WAN SABRI BIN WAN YUSOF
WCIT 2026, Conference Chair



PROF. DR. SHAMSUL JAMILI BIN YEOB
DEPUTY VICE-CHANCELLOR ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH
& CONFERENCE DIRECTOR

FOREWORD

CONFERENCE DIRECTOR



Assalamu'alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh

On behalf of the Organising Committee of the 8th World Conference on Islamic Thought and Civilization (WCIT2026), I wish to express our deepest appreciation to DYMM Paduka Seri Sultan Nazrin Muizzuddin Shah ibni Almarhum Sultan Azlan Muhibbuddin Shah Al-Maghfur-lah, the Royal Patron of WCIT series, for His Royal Highness's unwavering patronage and support. I also extend my sincere gratitude to YAB Dato' Seri Anwar Ibrahim, Prime Minister of Malaysia; YB Dato' Seri Diraja Dr. Zambry Abd Kadir, Minister of Higher Education; YAB Dato' Seri Saarani Mohamad, Menteri Besar of Perak; and the Perak State Government for their continued support in making this conference possible.

It is my great pleasure to welcome distinguished speakers, researchers, policymakers, and participants from around the world to WCIT2026. Your presence reflects our shared commitment to advancing meaningful dialogue and practical collaboration in addressing the pressing challenges facing the Muslim World and the global community. Since its establishment, WCIT has grown into a respected international platform that ensures knowledge extends beyond academia to benefit society. Guided by the Islamic principle of Rahmatan lil 'Alamin (Mercy to All Mankind), we believe that knowledge should transcend geographical, cultural, and disciplinary boundaries in pursuit of the common good.

This commitment begins within our own communities. At Universiti Sultan Azlan Shah (USAS), community engagement is not viewed as an adjunct to our academic mission but as an integral component of it. We are particularly committed to promoting inclusive development by ensuring that no community is left behind. In this regard, our collaboration with the Department of Orang Asli Development (JAKOA) reflects our determination to empower indigenous communities through education, capacity building, and sustainable development initiatives.

WCIT2026 also signifies USAS's aspiration to strengthen its presence beyond the local sphere and contribute meaningfully at the regional and international levels through impactful research, strategic partnerships, and thought leadership. As a university under the Perak State Government, we are honoured to support the aspirations of Perak Sejahtera 2030 by promoting sustainable development, social harmony, and inclusive prosperity.

I would also like to record my sincere appreciation to our sponsors, strategic partners, supporting agencies, distinguished speakers, presenters, volunteers, and members of the Organising Committee whose dedication has made WCIT2026 a reality. May this conference inspire fruitful discussions, lasting collaborations, and practical initiatives that strengthen our communities and contribute to a more peaceful, inclusive, and prosperous future.

Thank you.

PROF. DR. SHAMSUL JAMILI BIN YEOB
WCIT2026 CONFERENCE DIRECTOR

PROF. DR. SHAMSUL JAMILI BIN YEOB
WCIT 2026, Conference Director



About

ABOUT USAS



Universiti Sultan Azlan Shah (USAS) is located at Bukit Chandan, in the Royal Town of Perak. The institution was the brainchild of the late Sultan of Perak, Almarhum Sultan Azlan Muhibbuddin Shah Al-Maghfur-lah in 1986. It was later realized in 1999 at a temporary campus complex located in Ipoh under the name Kolej Islam Darul Ridzuan (KISDAR).

It was inaugurated by His Royal Highness Almarhum Sultan Azlan Muhibbuddin Shah Al-Maghfur-lah on October 16, 1999. The institution was established under the Perak State Government Enactment Bil. 3 Year 2000. The Enactment was tabled and passed by the Dewan Undangan Negeri which later received the royal assent on March 6, 2002.

On the February 8, 2006, the State Government approved the construction of a permanent campus for KISDAR at Bukit Chandan on a piece of land donated by the then Acting Sultan of Perak Raja Dr. Nazrin Shah. The campus which cost almost RM66 million, was completed in 2008. On July 16, 2009; His Royal Highness Almarhum Sultan Azlan Muhibbuddin Shah Al-Maghfur-lah officiated the opening of the KISDAR campus at Bukit Chandan, which was later known as Kolej Universiti Islam Sultan Azlan Shah (KUISAS) after it was elevated to college university status in 2013.

KUISAS was later awarded the full-fledged university status on June 14, 2016; establishing itself as Universiti Sultan Azlan Shah (USAS).

USAS currently offers 50 programmes which cater for both local and international students alike. The programmes at the level of Foundation, Diploma, Bachelor's Degree, Masters, and PhD are offered by three faculties, namely the Faculty of Management and Information Technology, the Faculty of Islamic Studies and Social Sciences, and the Centre for Languages and Foundation Studies. All the programmes at USAS are accredited by the Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA) and listed under Public Services Department of Malaysia.

ABOUT WCIT



Since its inception in 2012, the World Conference on Islamic Thought and Civilization (WCIT) series, organized by Universiti Sultan Azlan Shah (USAS), has served as a distinguished international platform for intellectual engagement, policy dialogue, and scholarly collaboration on issues affecting the Muslim World and global civilization. Recognized as one of the State of Perak's official events, WCIT brings together world leaders, policymakers, academics, intellectuals, professionals, and members of civil society to exchange ideas in a dynamic environment that encourages constructive discourse and practical solutions to contemporary challenges. Beyond being an academic conference, WCIT seeks to bridge scholarship with action by promoting meaningful engagement between the Muslim World and the wider international community. The conference advocates inclusive dialogue, mutual understanding, and collaborative partnerships that contribute to sustainable peace, social development, good governance, and shared human progress.

Starting in 2016, WCIT introduced a series of interconnected themes that collectively examine the evolving role of the Muslim World in shaping the future of global civilization. **The Future World (2016)** conference explored possible futures in which Muslim societies either lead global development or actively contribute to a collectively envisioned future. **Global Peace (2017)** shifted attention to the importance of peaceful coexistence, intercultural dialogue, and international cooperation in an increasingly interconnected world. **Securing the Future (2018)** examined strategies for building resilient societies capable of addressing political, economic, technological, and environmental challenges. Following the global disruptions brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic, **Sharing Our Humanity (2022)** highlighted compassion, solidarity, and shared responsibility as foundations for rebuilding societies. This was followed by **Together We Stand: Muslims and Global Humanity (2024)**, which reaffirmed the indispensable role of Muslim nations as active partners in fostering global peace, justice, and sustainable development.

Over the years, WCIT has evolved from primarily theoretical and academic discussions towards a stronger emphasis on translating ideas into practical initiatives and impactful actions. The conference continues to encourage the development of policies, partnerships, and community-based programmes that address real-world issues while strengthening cooperation within the Muslim World and beyond. Guided by the belief that humanity's greatest challenges require collective responsibility, WCIT remains committed to advancing Islamic thought, promoting civilizational dialogue, and contributing to a more peaceful, inclusive, and sustainable future for all.

INTRODUCTION

The 8th World Conference on Islamic Thought and Civilization (WCIT2026), carries the theme “Where Everyone Matters: Pride & Unity in Islam.” Building upon previous WCIT series, the conference responds to contemporary geopolitical realities by calling for greater unity, resilience, and cooperation among Muslim nations and the wider global community. It seeks to move beyond theoretical discussions by showcasing practical experiences, successful initiatives, and actionable strategies that can strengthen governance, economic development, education, social empowerment, and international collaboration. WCIT2026 aspires to reaffirm the relevance of the Muslim World as a constructive global partner while encouraging nations to work together with integrity, dignity, and a shared commitment to peace, humanity, and sustainable development.

MAJOR THEME

The main theme of WCIT2026 “**Where Everyone Matters: Pride & Unity in Islam,**” is chosen to highlight the need for greater unity, inclusivity, and collective responsibility within the Muslim World and beyond. It is to deliberate on the roles of Muslim nations to strengthen governance, education, economic cooperation, and social development while translating ideas into practical action. The theme envisions a resilient, confident, and collaborative Muslim community contributing meaningfully to global peace, sustainable development, and shared humanity.

SUB-THEMES

- National Integrity and Security
- Public Health: Hygiene and Sanitation
- Good Governance and Political Stability
- Education Matters: Social Empowerment
- The Economy: Development and Cooperation

Conference Schedule

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE



20th JULY 2026 - MONDAY

TIME	ACTIVITY
1.00 p.m.	Pre-registration Arrival of Speakers and Moderators
8.30 p.m.	WCIT2026 Welcoming Dinner (Invitation only)

21st JULY 2026 - TUESDAY

TIME	ACTIVITY
8.00 a.m.	Registration
9.15 a.m.	Arrival of Invited Guests
9.50 a.m.	Arrival of YAB Menteri Besar of Perak Darul Ridzuan
10.00 a.m.	Arrival of DYMM Paduka Seri Sultan Perak Darul Ridzuan
	Photo Session
	State Anthem of Perak Darul Ridzuan
	Qur'an Recitation
	Opening Remarks from Conference Chair Vice-Chancellor of Universiti Sultan Azlan Shah
	Royal Keynote Address and Opening Ceremony by DYMM Paduka Seri Sultan Perak Darul Ridzuan
	Distinguished Royal Session

21st JULY 2026 - TUESDAY

TIME	ACTIVITY
	State Anthem of Perak Darul Ridzuan
	Exhibition Visit
	Refreshments at the Luncheon Hall
1.00 p.m.	Departure of DYMM Paduka Seri Sultan Perak Darul Ridzuan
	Departure of YAB Menteri Besar of Perak Darul Ridzuan
2.00 p.m.-3.50 p.m.	Session I Education Matters: Social Empowerment
	Academic Parallel Session
4.00 p.m.-5.50 p.m.	Session II The Economy: Development and Cooperation
	Academic Parallel Session
5.50 p.m.	Refreshments & End of Day 1

22nd JULY 2026 - WEDNESDAY

TIME	ACTIVITY
9.00 a.m. - 10.50 a.m.	Session III Good Governance and Political Stability
11.00 a.m. - 12.50 p.m.	Session IV Public Health: Hygiene and Sanitation
1.00 p.m.	Lunch Break & Zuhur Prayer
2.30 p.m.- 5.00 p.m.	From Wealth to Wellbeing: Shaping Inclusive and Sustainable Societies (In collaboration with USAS Takaful Academy)
5.00 p.m.	Refreshments & End of Day 2

23rd JULY 2026 - THURSDAY

TIME	ACTIVITY
9.00 a.m. - 10.50 a.m.	Session V National Integrity and Security
11.00 a.m. - 11.50 a.m.	Ideas for Tomorrow - Innovation in Health and Lifestyle Entrepreneurship
11.50 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.	Communiqué
12.00 p.m.	Closing Ceremony
	End of Conference

Sessions & Profiles



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**HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS SULTAN NAZRIN
MUIZZUDDIN SHAH
IBNI ALMARHUM SULTAN AZLAN
MUHIBBUDDIN SHAH AL-MAGHFUR-LAH
The Sultan of Perak Darul Ridzuan**

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YAB DATUK AMAR HAJI FADILLAH HAJI YUSOF

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Energy Transition and Water Transformation of Malaysia

YAB Datuk Amar Haji Fadillah Haji Yusof is a Malaysian politician and lawyer who has served as the Deputy Prime Minister of Malaysia since 2022, making history as the first Deputy Prime Minister from Sarawak. Since 2023, he has also served as the Minister of Energy Transition and Water Transformation, while continuing his role as the Member of Parliament (MP) for Petra Jaya, a position he has held since March 2004. Prior to his current appointments, Dato' Sri Fadillah served as the Minister of Plantation and Commodities from December 2022 to December 2023. Between December 2019 and March 2020, he chaired the Science, Innovation and Environment Select Committee, becoming one of only two opposition MPs to lead a parliamentary select committee at the time. A member of Parti Pesaka Bumiputera Bersatu (PBB), a component party of the Gabungan Parti Sarawak (GPS) coalition, he serves as GPS Parliamentary Whip and has been Senior Vice President of PBB since 2017. He also served as PBB Youth Chief from 2007 to 2017.



H.E. PROF. KIETH RETHY CHHEM

Distinguished Professor of AI and Humanities, CamTech University & Senior Minister of Cambodia

Professor Kieth Rethy Chhem is a distinguished medical doctor, scientist, educator, historian, and former senior United Nations diplomat with an internationally acclaimed career spanning medicine, science, higher education, public policy, and diplomacy. He currently serves as Senior Minister of Cambodia and is an Advisory Board Member of the Institute of ASEAN Studies, University of Oxford. In 2025, he was awarded the prestigious Dr. Nagai Memorial Peace Award. Professor Chhem holds an MD, a PhD in Education, and a PhD in History. He has authored more than 200 scientific publications, co-authored 25 textbooks, and delivered keynote addresses in over 70 countries. His academic appointments include professorships at leading institutions in Canada (McGill University), Singapore (National University of Singapore), Austria (Medical University of Vienna), and Japan, specialising in radiology and nuclear medicine. From 2008 to 2014, he served as Director of the Division of Human Health at the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA). He later led the Cambodian Development Resource Institute (CDRI) and currently holds several advisory and governance roles in higher education, science, technology, and international relations. His multidisciplinary expertise spans digital and nuclear technology, geopolitics, foreign policy, medical ethics, and the history of Angkor Buddhism, making him a respected global thought leader in science, diplomacy, and sustainable development.

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PROF. JOSEPH A. MASSAD

Professor of Modern Arab Politics and Intellectual History, Columbia University, USA

Joseph A. Massad is Professor of Modern Arab Politics and Intellectual History at Columbia University. He is the author of several books, dozens of scholarly articles, and hundreds of op-eds. His books include *Colonial Effects: The Making of National Identity in Jordan* (2001), *Desiring Arabs* (2007), and *Islam in Liberalism* (2014). His forthcoming book is tentatively titled *From the America to Palestine: The Age of Independence and the Global History of Settler-Colonialism* if forthcoming. He is a recipient of a number of research and teaching awards, including the Lionel Trilling Book Award for his book *Desiring Arabs*, The University of Pennsylvania's Scott Nearing Award for *Courageous Scholarship*, and The Columbia University Faculty Mentoring Award. His works have been translated to more than a dozen languages including Arabic, Turkish, Chinese, Persian, French, Italian, Spanish, Dutch, Swedish, Japanese, German, and Indonesian. Professor Massad is also a regular columnist in English and Arabic at the London-based publications Middle East Eye and Arabi21.



DR. H. A. HELLYER, FRSA

Senior Associate Fellow, Royal United Services Institute for Defence and Security Studies, UK

Dr. H. A. Hellyer is an internationally recognised expert in security, international affairs, and public policy with more than 20 years of experience spanning government, academia, and leading global think tanks. He currently serves as Senior Associate Fellow at the Royal United Services Institute (RUSI) and Senior Fellow at the Centre for American Progress, having previously held senior research positions at the Brookings Institution and the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. Dr. Hellyer formerly served as Deputy Convenor of the UK Government's Taskforce on Radicalisation and held appointments within the UK Foreign Office. His academic affiliations include Harvard University, the University of Cambridge, and the American University in Cairo. He has authored ten books, published hundreds of articles, and led multinational research projects across Europe, the Middle East, and Southeast Asia. His expertise is frequently sought by governments and international organisations, while his insights regularly appear in major media outlets including CNN, the BBC, *The Washington Post*, *The New York Times*, and *The Guardian*. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts (FRSA) and the Royal Historical Society (FRHistS).

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DATO' DR. AFIFI AL-AKITI, FRSA (CHAIR)

Kuwait Fellow, Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies, UK

Dato' Dr Afifi al-Akiti, FRSA, is the Kuwait Fellow at the Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies and lectures at the Faculty of Theology — Oxford University's oldest faculty. He is the first ever Malaysian to be appointed to such a position in this world-famous university. His areas of expertise are Islamic theology, law, finance and science. Dato' Afifi is internationally famous for his 2005 fatwa, *Defending the Transgressed by Censuring the Reckless Against the Killing of Civilians*, written in response to the 7 July London bombings, which was praised by scholars worldwide and gained a massive readership. In addition to his critically acclaimed written works, he has worked on several BBC documentaries, including the award winning 3-episode *Science and Islam* in 2009. In 2023, Dato' Afifi was elected as a Fellow of the Royal Academy of Jordan by HM The King of Jordan. In 2024, Dato' Afifi was appointed by the Conference of Rulers in Malaysia to be a member of the National Islamic Council (MKI) chaired by HRH The Sultan of Perak, Sultan Nazrin Muizzuddin Shah. In that same year, he was elected as a Fellow of the Royal Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures and Commerce (FRSA) in the United Kingdom. Since 2010, Dato' Dr Afifi has been listed in *The Muslim 500: The World's 500 Most Influential Muslims*.

SESSION I | EDUCATION MATTERS: SOCIAL EMPOWERMENT

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DATO' SERI DIRAJA DR. ZAMBRY ABD KADIR

Minister of Higher Education, Malaysia

He holds a PhD in Political Thought and a Master's degree in Political Philosophy and Comparative Religion from Temple University, United States, as well as a Master's in Islamic Thought and a Bachelor of Economics (Honours) from the International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM). Throughout his career, Dr. Zambray has held several key leadership positions, including Minister of Foreign Affairs, the 11th Menteri Besar of Perak, Member of the Perak State Executive Council, and State Assemblyman for Pangkor. His contributions have focused on nation-building, educational advancement, innovation, and youth empowerment. As Minister of Higher Education, he is leading efforts to strengthen Malaysia's higher education ecosystem through academic excellence, impactful research, talent development, and international collaboration. He is also a strong advocate for ethical research, quality education, and the development of future-ready graduates equipped with both professional competencies and strong values. Beyond government service, Dr. Zambray remains active in academia as an Adjunct Professor at IIUM and Professor in Practice at Putra Business School, Universiti Putra Malaysia, contributing to scholarly discussions on leadership, governance, and sustainable development.



SHARIAH NELLY FRANCIS

CEO, Yayasan Petronas

She is a distinguished corporate leader with over 28 years of experience at PETRONAS. Widely recognised for her people-centric leadership approach, she has dedicated much of her career to talent development, organisational excellence, and the advancement of human capital for both industry and nation-building. Previously serving as Head of Human Capital Investment, Hajah Shariah Nelly led PETRONAS' Education Sponsorship Programme, overseeing initiatives to develop a sustainable pipeline of highly skilled, well-rounded, and future-ready talent. Her work has played a significant role in supporting Malaysia's human capital development agenda while addressing the company's long-term workforce needs. Among her most notable achievements was spearheading the development of Maktab Rendah Sains MARA (MRSM) and Asrama Harian Luar Bandar (AHLB) projects in Sabah and Sarawak, expanding access to quality education for students in rural communities. She has also been instrumental in fostering strong partnerships with federal and state government agencies, ensuring effective stakeholder engagement and supporting strategic national initiatives. Her enduring commitment to education, leadership development, and social impact continues to contribute meaningfully to Malaysia's progress and future talent ecosystem.

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PROF. DR. M. DIN SYAMSUDDIN

Chairman of Muhammadiyah (2005 - 2015) & Professor of Islamic Political Thought at UIN Syarif Hidayatullah Jakarta

Widely known as Din Syamsuddin, he is a prominent Islamic scholar and public intellectual best known for serving as Chairman of the Central Board of Muhammadiyah for two consecutive terms, from 2005 to 2015. Throughout his career, he has been widely recognised for promoting interfaith relations, dialogue among civilisations, and religious moderation at both national and international levels. Din Syamsuddin received his early education at Nahdlatul Ulama Islamic schools in Sumbawa before continuing his studies at Pondok Modern Darussalam Gontor in East Java. His leadership journey began at a young age when he served as head of the Nahdlatul Ulama Student Association branch in Sumbawa. During his university years, he became actively involved in the Muhammadiyah Student Association (IMM) and later the Muhammadiyah Youth movement, eventually rising to senior leadership positions within Muhammadiyah. As an academician, he earned a bachelor's degree in Comparative Religion from IAIN Syarif Hidayatullah Jakarta and later pursued postgraduate studies at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), where he obtained both his Master's and PhD degrees. He also served as Chairman of the Indonesian Ulema Council (MUI) in 2014.



SHAYKH DR. MUHAMMAD BIN YAHYA AL NINOWY

Founding Director Madina Institute USA

He is an American scholar, author, and medical doctor based in Atlanta, Georgia. His noble lineage traces directly to the Prophet Muhammad through Sayyid al-Husayn ibn 'Ali— a sacred trust carried through generations of scholars and spiritual guides. He is the founding director of Madina Institute and Seminaries, The Centre for Non-Violence and Peace Studies, and the charitable organisation Madina Mercy, with campuses in the USA, South Africa, Canada, UK, Norway, Turkey and Malaysia. Through Madina Institute, Shaykh Dr. Muhammad bin Yahya al-Ninowy offers Islamic & Arabic Studies Degree programs designed to educate imams and scholars worldwide. He is considered a Muhaddith and serves as the founding president of Madina Institute in South Africa, a fully accredited institution offering BA, Honours, and master's degrees. He also serves on the board of the Islamic University in Malaysia by royal appointment of the Sultan. The Shaykh is also known for his scholarly works in Quranic Sciences (Ulum al-Quran), Hadith Sciences (Ulum al-Hadith), Theology (Aqidah), Islamic Legal Theory (Ulum al-Fiqh), Islamic Law (Fiqh), and Purification of the Heart (Tasawuf). He is the author of many books, including Non-violence: A Fundamental Islamic Principle, and founded a school for nonviolence studies rooted in Islamic principles.

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PROF. DR. KHAIRUDIN ALJUNIED (MODERATOR)

Professor of Islam in Southeast Asia, ISTAC-IIUM

Prof. Dr. Khairudin Aljunied is a tenured Associate Professor at the National University of Singapore and concurrently serves as Senior Fellow and Professor of Islam in Southeast Asia at the Alwaleed Centre for Muslim-Christian Understanding, Georgetown University. He earned his PhD from the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, and has held prestigious visiting appointments at Columbia University as a Fulbright Scholar, the University of Brunei Darussalam, and the University of Malaya. Prof. Khairudin's research explores the dynamic connections between Southeast Asia and global Islam, with particular attention to ideas, reform movements, cosmopolitanism, and religious thought. His scholarship spans intellectual history, sociology, political thought, theology, and cultural studies, reflecting a multidisciplinary approach to understanding Muslim societies and civilisations. His major publications include *Islam in Malaysia: An Entwined History*, *Shapers of Islam in Southeast Asia*, and his latest book, *Contemplating Sufism: Dialogue and Tradition Across Southeast Asia*. Recognised among The World's 500 Most Influential Muslims in 2024 and 2025, Prof. Khairudin continues to shape global conversations on Islam, history, identity, and civilisation through his scholarship, teaching, and international engagement.

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PROF. TAN SRI DATO' SERI DR. NOOR AZLAN GHAZALI (SPEAKER CUM MODERATOR)

Director, MINDA-UKM

A distinguished Malaysian economist, born on 17 June 1964 in Port Weld, Perak. He pursued higher education at the University of Nebraska–Lincoln, United States, where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (Finance) in 1986, an MBA in Finance in 1988, and later a PhD in Economics in 1997. His academic career at the National University of Malaysia (UKM) began in 1988 as a lecturer in finance. Over the years, he held numerous leadership positions, including Dean of the Faculty of Economics and Business, Dean of the UKM Graduate School of Business, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic and International), and eventually the 10th Vice-Chancellor of UKM from 2014 to 2018. During his tenure, he introduced the "Challenging the Norm" philosophy and the iconic "Red Umbrella" symbol, which became synonymous with UKM's culture of innovation and excellence. At the national level, he has contributed extensively to economic policymaking through the National Economic Action Council and the Economic Planning Unit. He continues to serve as Director of the Institute for Inclusive Development and Advancement Malaysia (MINDA-UKM), while advising various educational and economic institutions across the country.



TAN SRI DR. ZETI AKHTAR AZIZ

Former Governor of Bank Negara Malaysia (2000-2016) & Founding Chair and Co-Chair, Asia School of Business

Dr. Zeti Aziz is one of Malaysia's most distinguished leaders in economics and finance, renowned for her visionary leadership, integrity, and contributions to financial stability and Islamic finance. As Governor of Bank Negara Malaysia (2000–2016), she successfully guided Malaysia's recovery following the 1997–1998 Asian Financial Crisis and transformed the nation's financial system through major reforms that strengthened resilience, governance, and innovation. In 2006, she chaired a regional task force that shaped the future of East Asian central bank cooperation. Internationally, Dr. Zeti was a founding member of the Bank for International Settlements Asian Consultative Council and the first Co-chair of the Financial Stability Board Regional Consultative Group for Asia, championing regional financial integration while respecting ASEAN's diversity. She played a pivotal role in establishing Malaysia as a global Islamic finance hub, overseeing the world's first global sovereign sukuk in 2002 and helping establish key international Islamic finance institutions. She also founded INCEIF in 2005 and served as its Chancellor (2009–2022), advancing global Islamic finance education. Dr. Zeti is also Founding Chair of the Asia School of Business, serves as Group Chairman of Permodalan Nasional Berhad (PNB), and has advised major international financial institutions. Her outstanding contributions have been recognised through numerous prestigious international awards.

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NURHISHAM HUSSEIN

Economic Adviser to the Prime Minister's Office, Malaysia

Nurhisham Hussein serves as Senior Director of Economy and Finance at the Prime Minister's Office. A distinguished economist and strategic policy adviser, he plays a key role in shaping Malaysia's economic policies, fiscal reforms, investment strategies, and long-term development agenda. Prior to his current appointment in 2023, he served as Chief Strategy Officer of the Employees Provident Fund (EPF), where he led strategic initiatives, including the development of major retirement policy reforms and long-term investment strategies. Before joining EPF, Nurhisham held senior positions at Bank Negara Malaysia, Permodalan Nasional Berhad (PNB), Malaysian Rating Corporation Berhad (MARC), and DiGi Telecommunications, bringing together extensive experience across public policy, financial markets, corporate strategy, and economic research. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Economics from the London School of Economics and Political Science and a master's degree in Economics from the University of Malaya. Widely respected for his clear and practical insights into macroeconomic policy, fiscal sustainability, retirement systems, and economic resilience, Nurhisham is a frequent speaker at national and international forums. His expertise continues to contribute significantly to Malaysia's economic transformation and evidence-based policymaking.



DR. MAHMOUD MOHIELDIN

UN Special Envoy on Financing for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

Dr. Mahmoud Mohieldin is an internationally renowned economist and development expert with more than 30 years of experience in global finance, economic policy, and sustainable development. He currently serves as the United Nations Special Envoy on Financing the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda, leading international efforts to mobilise financing for the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). He previously served as the UN High-Level Climate Champion for Egypt, Executive Director at the International Monetary Fund (IMF) representing the Arab States and the Maldives, and Minister of Investment of Egypt from 2004 to 2010. Following his ministerial role, he joined the World Bank Group as Senior Vice President for the 2030 Development Agenda, United Nations Relations, and Partnerships, where he played a key role in advancing global development initiatives. He also chairs the Africa Chapter of the Glasgow Financial Alliance for Net Zero (GFANZ) and was recognised as a Young Global Leader by the World Economic Forum in 2005. An accomplished academic, Dr. Mohieldin is Professor of Economics and Finance at Cairo University and has held visiting professorships at leading universities across Europe, the Middle East, Asia, and the United States. He has authored numerous publications on economics, finance, and sustainable development, making significant contributions to international policy and research.

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DATUK WIRA DR. RAIS HUSSIN MOHAMED ARIFF (MODERATOR)

Founder, Non-Executive Chairman of EMIR Research

Dr. Rais Hussin is an avid strategist, perennial wordsmith, accountable and serial entrepreneur, and serious policy intellectual. Dr. Rais has over 26 years of experience launching and expanding large, complex and ultimately successful enterprise initiatives and international programs across a broad range of technical enterprises in for-profit and non-profit environments, that includes but not limited to, Telekom Malaysia, MCI WorldCom Malaysia, Teleglobe Canada, Axis Technologies and Goldnet Resources. A noted thought leader in Malaysia, Dr. Rais is a highly sought-after Writer/Columnist and Conference Presenter. He has a passion for bringing together the best possible resources and talents in pursuit of a prosperous, just and dynamic Malaysia. Perhaps most notably, Dr. Rais was responsible for overseeing the preparation of the first election manifesto to ever trigger a change of government in Malaysia. He received his Bachelors in Economics (Hons), Masters in Management and Doctorate in Business Administration from the International Islamic University of Malaysia, and has participated in Harvard Business School Executive Education Program.

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TAN SRI DATO' DR. JOHARI ABDUL

Speaker of the House of Representatives, Malaysia

The Honourable Tan Sri Dato' (Dr.) Johari bin Abdul is the Parliament of Malaysia's Speaker of the House of Representatives. As a trained Administrative and Diplomatic Officer (PTD), he served numerous Federal Departments, including the Malaysian Students Department in Los Angeles, USA. The Honourable Tan Sri Dato' (Dr.) Johari's foray in politics began in 1992. He was the founding member of the People's Justice Party (KEADILAN). In 2008, he became the Member of Parliament for Sungai Petani and served until October 2022. He was the Party Parliamentary Whip from 2013 to 2018, Chairman of The Parliamentary Special Select Committee on Security and a member of the Kedah State Legislative Assembly. The Honourable Tan Sri Dato' (Dr.) Johari served as the Kedah State Leader of the Opposition from October 2022 until his resignation on the 13th of December 2022 to take his oath as the Speaker of the House of Representatives on the 19th of December 2022. On 18th of November 2023, for his extensive experience in the field of governance, democracy, political science, and strategic management, the Honourable Tan Sri Dato' (Dr.) Johari bin Abdul was conferred an Honorary Doctorate in Management or 'Honoris Causa' from the UNITAR International University (UNITAR).



PROF. JOSEPH A. MASSAD

Professor of Modern Arab Politics and Intellectual History, Columbia University, USA

Joseph A. Massad is Professor of Modern Arab Politics and Intellectual History at Columbia University. He is the author of several books, dozens of scholarly articles, and hundreds of op-eds. His books include *Colonial Effects: The Making of National Identity in Jordan* (2001), *Desiring Arabs* (2007), and *Islam in Liberalism* (2014). His forthcoming book is tentatively titled *From the America to Palestine: The Age of Independence and the Global History of Settler-Colonialism* if forthcoming. He is a recipient of a number of research and teaching awards, including the Lionel Trilling Book Award for his book *Desiring Arabs*, The University of Pennsylvania's Scott Nearing Award for *Courageous Scholarship*, and The Columbia University Faculty Mentoring Award. His works have been translated to more than a dozen languages including Arabic, Turkish, Chinese, Persian, French, Italian, Spanish, Dutch, Swedish, Japanese, German, and Indonesian. Professor Massad is also a regular columnist in English and Arabic at the London-based publications Middle East Eye and Arabi21.

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DR. MOHAMMAD AKRAM NADWI

Principal and Co-Founder, As-Salam Institute

Dr. Mohammad Akram Nadwi is the Principal and Co-Founder of Al-Salam Institute in the United Kingdom and serves as Dean of Cambridge Islamic College, where he continues to advance classical Islamic scholarship for contemporary audiences. A graduate of the renowned Nadwat al-'Ulama in Lucknow, India, he earned first-class honours in Hadith Studies before completing a PhD in Arabic Literature at Lucknow University. At the invitation of the late Shaykh Abul Hasan Ali Nadwi, he joined the Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies as a Research Fellow, where he spent more than two decades conducting pioneering research on Hadith and Islamic intellectual traditions. He has authored and edited more than 30 books in Arabic, English, Persian, and Urdu, including the landmark *Al-Muḥaddithāt: The Women Scholars in Islam*, a monumental biographical work documenting thousands of female Hadith scholars across Islamic history. His scholarship has significantly reshaped modern understanding of women's contributions to Islamic learning. Recipient of the Allama Iqbal Prize for his contribution to Islamic thought, Dr. Nadwi is widely recognised as one of the leading Muslim scholars of his generation.



PROF. DATO' DR. RAHMAT MOHAMAD

5th Secretary-General of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO)

Professor Dato' Dr. Rahmat Mohamad is an internationally respected legal scholar, diplomat, and authority on public international law. He is currently a Professor of Law at Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM), Fellow of Aberystwyth University, United Kingdom, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the International Education College (INTEC), Advisor to the INTEC Sustainability Leadership Centre, and an Advocate and Solicitor of the High Court in Malaya. His current work focuses on sustainability leadership, environmental, social and governance (ESG) law, just transition, international arbitration, and mediation. Professor Rahmat is best known internationally for serving two terms as Secretary-General of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO) from 2008 to 2016. During his tenure, he advanced legal cooperation among Asian and African states, representing the organisation at the United Nations and leading initiatives in international law, the law of the sea, peaceful settlement of disputes, international criminal and humanitarian law, trade, and arbitration. He previously served as Deputy Vice-Chancellor of Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) and Chairman of the Asian International Arbitration Centre (AIAC), following his leadership of the Malaysian Human Rights Commission (SUHAKAM). He holds an LL.B. from UiTM, an LL.M. from the University of Bristol, and a PhD in International Law from Aberystwyth University in the United Kingdom.

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PROF. DR. ODEH RASHID AL-JAYYOUSI

Professor of Innovation Policy, Arabian Gulf University, Bahrain

Prof. Odeh Al-Jayyousi is an internationally recognised scholar in innovation, sustainability, and public policy. With over three decades of experience spanning academia, international organisations, and public sector institutions, he has made significant contributions to advancing sustainable development, innovation systems, and environmental governance across the Middle East and beyond. Prior to his current appointment, Prof. Al-Jayyousi served as Vice-President for Science and Research at the Royal Scientific Society of Jordan and Regional Director for the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), based in Switzerland. He has also held senior academic leadership positions, including Dean of Scientific Research and Dean of Research, while contributing to urban planning and economic development initiatives at the City of Chicago and the University of Illinois at Chicago. He holds a PhD and a Master of Science in Urban Planning and Policy from the University of Illinois at Chicago, United States, and a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from Yarmouk University, Jordan. He has authored over 70 peer-reviewed journal articles and five books on sustainability, renewable energy, and innovation. His research interests include innovation policy and systems, sustainability and energy policy, higher education policy, water innovation, and smart and green cities.



DR. FACHRUDDIN M. MANGUNJAYA

Dean, Faculty of Biology and Agriculture, Universitas Nasional (UNAS) Jakarta, Indonesia

Dr. Fachruddin is one of Indonesia's foremost scholars in environmental conservation, sustainability, and Islam and ecology. With more than three decades of experience as an academic, researcher, author, and environmental advocate, he has played a pioneering role in integrating Islamic values with biodiversity conservation and sustainable development. He holds a PhD in Environmental Management and Natural Resources from Bogor Agricultural University (IPB), a Master's degree in Conservation Biology from the University of Indonesia, and a Bachelor's degree in Biology from Universitas Nasional. Throughout his career, he has served as Chairman of the Centre for Islamic Studies at UNAS and has worked extensively with international organisations, including the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), and ICESCO. Dr. Fachruddin has authored more than 30 books and numerous peer-reviewed publications on environmental ethics, biodiversity, climate change, and sustainable development. A drafting member of the Islamic Declaration on Global Climate Change (2015) and an adviser to several international environmental initiatives, he is widely recognised as a leading voice in faith-based environmental stewardship and sustainability in the Muslim world.

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PROF. DATUK IR. TS. DR. AHMAD FAUZI ISMAIL, FASC

Founder and First Director, Advanced Membrane Technology Research Centre (AMTEC), UTM

One of Malaysia's leading scientists in membrane technology and advanced materials research, he is the Founder and First Director of the Advanced Membrane Technology Research Centre (AMTEC), Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM), a Higher Institution Centre of Excellence (HICoE) recognised internationally for pioneering research in membrane science and engineering. He also served as the 7th Vice-Chancellor of UTM from 2021 to 2024. Professor Ahmad Fauzi obtained his Bachelor of Engineering (Petroleum Engineering) and Master of Science (Chemical Engineering) from UTM before earning his PhD in Chemical and Process Engineering from the University of Strathclyde. His research focuses on membrane technology for water desalination, wastewater treatment, gas separation, renewable energy, fuel cells, and environmental sustainability. An internationally acclaimed researcher, he has authored more than 1,000 scientific publications, numerous books and book chapters, and holds multiple patents in membrane technology. His outstanding contributions have earned him over 200 national and international awards, including the Mustafa (PBUH) Prize 2023, the TWAS Prize 2020, and the Merdeka Award for Outstanding Scholastic Achievement. Through his pioneering research and scientific leadership, Professor Ahmad Fauzi continues to shape global advancements in sustainable technologies and inspire innovation in engineering and higher education.



ASSOC. PROF. DR. DURRIYYAH SHARIFAH HASAN ADLI (MODERATOR)

Centre for Civilisational Dialogue, Department of Research Synergy, Universiti Malaya

Following her PhD completion in Biomedical Sciences (Neurobiology) from Kent State University, USA (1989), she joined the Faculty of Science, Universiti Malaya (UM) as a lecturer. She earned a Bachelor's degree in Biology and Chemical Science, with a minor in Psychology, from California State University, Chico (1983) under MOHE Malaysia scholarship. She is currently a Research Fellow at the UM Centre for Civilisational Dialogue (UMCCD) focusing on neuroscience, and Advisor to the UM UNESCO Club; recently securing a MOHE grant for the 'Healthy Living, Healthy YOU: Eco-Health Habits for a Greener Future' project. She leads multidisciplinary research involving the Faculty of Education and the Academy of Islamic Studies, covering topics such as prophetic foods, learning from Islamic and neuroscience perspectives, and coping strategies among Muslim parents of autistic children. On leadership roles, her repertoire included the UM Lead Auditor for the Quality Management System (QMS), Chair of the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC), Coordinator of the Biohealth Science Programme, and Deputy Head of the Institute of Biological Sciences. She enjoys mentoring young leaders through her commitments in International Students of Islamic Psychology Malaysia and the Foundation of Brain, Mind, Neuroscience Research Malaysia (Legal Affairs Division, Prime Minister's Department).

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WAN AHMAD NAJIB WAN AHMAD LOTFI

President and Chief Executive Officer, Syarikat Takaful Ikhlas Family Berhad

Wan Ahmad Najib Wan Ahmad Lotfi is the President & Chief Executive Officer of Takaful Ikhlas Family Berhad. He holds a Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Information Technology from Universiti Tenaga Nasional and a Certificate in Shariah from International Islamic University Malaysia. He is a Fellow Chartered Professional in Islamic Finance (F.CPIF). With over 20 years of experience in the Takaful and Islamic finance industry, Wan Ahmad Najib is a distinguished leader known for his expertise in strategic planning, inclusive takaful, and digital transformation. Before joining Takaful Ikhlas Family Berhad, Wan Ahmad Najib served as the Chief Distribution Officer at FWD Takaful Berhad. He has also held leadership roles at Great Eastern Takaful and Prudential BSN Takaful, serving as a pioneer in the early years of both entities.



PROF. DR. ABDUL GHAFAR ISMAIL

Professor of Islamic Economics, UKM

Professor Abdul Ghafar Ismail is Professor of Islamic Economics at the Faculty of Economics and Management, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM), where he also serves as the Chairholder of the Sheikh Abdullah Fahim Chair. He is the Chairperson of the Organisation of Islamic Economic Studies and Thoughts and a member of the Shariah Committee of Sun Life Malaysia Takaful. He obtained his PhD from the University of Southampton, United Kingdom, and has held numerous distinguished academic and professional appointments, including Head of the Research Division at the Islamic Research and Training Institute, Islamic Development Bank (IsDB), Rector of Johor Islamic Studies College, and Bank Supervision Advisor to the International Monetary Fund (IMF) for Djibouti. He has also served as a consultant to the Indonesian Ministry of National Development Planning and as a member of the Shariah Committee at Citibank Malaysia. Professor Abdul Ghafar has authored numerous publications in leading international journals and several influential books on Islamic banking, risk management, and socio-economic development. His research interests include Islamic financial economics, risk management, capital adequacy, institutional economics, growth theory, and Maqasid Shariah for sustainable socio-economic development.

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MOHD FAIZ RAHIM

Chief Executive Officer, Yayasan AFFIN

Mohd Faiz Rahim is the Chief Executive Officer of Yayasan AFFIN, where he leads the foundation's efforts to advance sustainable community development through education, health, environmental stewardship, disaster relief, and community empowerment. With extensive leadership experience within the AFFIN Group, he brings a strong background in Islamic finance, governance, and corporate responsibility to the foundation's mission. Prior to his current role, Mohd Faiz served as Head of Shariah Supervisory at AFFIN Islamic Bank, where he was responsible for overseeing Shariah governance and compliance, contributing to the bank's commitment to ethical and responsible Islamic banking practices. Having held senior leadership positions within the Group over several years, he possesses extensive experience in institutional governance and strategic management. As CEO of Yayasan AFFIN, he is committed to strengthening partnerships between the corporate sector, government agencies, and local communities to deliver meaningful and sustainable social impact. Under his leadership, the foundation champions initiatives that promote inclusive growth, improve community well-being, and support Malaysia's long-term sustainable development aspirations through responsible corporate philanthropy and community engagement.



MAKHTAR ABDULLAH

Chief Executive Officer, Association of Shariah Advisors in Islamic Finance Malaysia (ASAS)

Makhtar Abdullah is the Chief Executive Officer of the Association of Shariah Advisors in Islamic Finance Malaysia (ASAS) and a distinguished practitioner with more than two decades of leadership experience in Islamic finance, corporate strategy, and human capital development across Southeast Asia and the Middle East. Throughout his career, he has played a significant role in advancing Shariah advisory, Islamic banking, capital markets, and takaful through strategic leadership, consultancy, and executive education. Makhtar served as Chief Executive Officer of the Centre for Islamic Banking, Finance and Management (CIBFM), Brunei Darussalam, where he led initiatives to strengthen talent development for the country's financial services sector and contributed to Brunei's Islamic finance transformation agenda. He also served as Chief Operating Officer of Amanie Advisors, supporting the firm's international expansion and providing Shariah advisory, consultancy, and training services across Asia, the Middle East, Europe, and the United States. Makhtar holds a Master's in Islamic Banking and Finance from Universiti Islam Sultan Sharif Ali, Brunei Darussalam, a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) from the International Islamic University Malaysia, and an accountancy qualification from Universiti Teknologi MARA. His expertise spans Islamic finance, Shariah governance, leadership development, corporate transformation, and financial sector capacity building.

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MOHD. RADZUAN BIN MOHAMED (MODERATOR)

Chief Executive Officer, Malaysian Takaful Association

Mohd Radzuan Mohamed is a highly respected risk management professional and industry leader with more than two decades of experience. Radzuan has served as Chief Risk Officer in several insurance and takaful companies, where he led initiatives covering enterprise, operational, financial, technology, and risk engineering disciplines. Renowned for his strategic leadership and deep technical expertise, he has built an extensive career spanning operational, managerial, executive, and board-level responsibilities within both local and multinational organisations. Radzuan holds a Bachelor (Hons) in Risk Management from Glasgow Caledonian University, Scotland, and a Bachelor of Business Administration (Hons) in Risk Management and Insurance from Universiti Teknologi MARA (formerly Institut Teknologi MARA). He is also a Certified Professional in Islamic Finance (CPIF), an Associate of the Institute of Enterprise and Risk Practitioners (UK), and an Affiliate of the Global Association of Risk Professionals (GARP US). He has served on numerous industry committees and advisory bodies, including the Enterprise Risk Management Committee of Persatuan Insurans Am Malaysia (PIAM), the Malaysian Takaful Association, the Asian Institute of Finance, the Malaysian Insurance Institute, and INCEIF. In recognition of his contributions to the profession, he received the prestigious "Risk Icon" Award for outstanding achievement in Enterprise Risk Management.

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DR. H. A. HELLYER

Senior Associate Fellow at the Royal United Services Institute (RUSI) for Defence and Security Studies

Dr. H. A. Hellyer is an internationally recognised expert in security, international affairs, and public policy with more than 20 years of experience spanning government, academia, and leading global think tanks. He currently serves as Senior Associate Fellow at the Royal United Services Institute (RUSI) and Senior Fellow at the Centre for American Progress, having previously held senior research positions at the Brookings Institution and the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. Dr Hellyer formerly served as Deputy Convenor of the UK Government's Taskforce on Radicalisation and held appointments within the UK Foreign Office. His academic affiliations include Harvard University, the University of Cambridge, and the American University in Cairo. He has authored ten books, published hundreds of articles, and led multinational research projects across Europe, the Middle East, and Southeast Asia. His expertise is frequently sought by governments and international organisations, while his insights regularly appear in major media outlets including CNN, the BBC, The Washington Post, The New York Times, and The Guardian. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts (FRSA) and the Royal Historical Society (FRHistS).



TAN SRI DATO' SETIA HAJI AMBRIN BUANG

Former Auditor-General of Malaysia (2006 - 2017)

Tan Sri Dato' Setia Haji Ambrin is one of Malaysia's most distinguished public sector leaders, with over four decades of experience in public administration, governance, auditing, and corporate leadership. He currently serves as the Deputy Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Lembaga Zakat Selangor (LZS) and is a member of the Selangor Royal Council (Dewan Diraja Selangor). Tan Sri Ambrin served as the Auditor-General of Malaysia from 2006 to 2017, during which he played a pivotal role in strengthening public-sector financial accountability and enhancing governance standards. His distinguished public service also includes appointments as Secretary-General of the Ministry of Education, State Secretary of Selangor, Minister for Economic Affairs at the Malaysian Embassy in Tokyo, and senior positions within the Ministry of International Trade and Industry, the Malaysian Timber Industry Board, and the National Institute of Public Administration (INTAN). He holds a bachelor's degree in Economics from the University of Malaya and a master's in International Business from the University of South Carolina, USA. Today, he continues to contribute to national development through leadership roles in major organisations, including Gamuda Berhad, LITRAK, and Yayasan Pelaburan Bumiputra, while remaining a respected advocate for integrity, governance, and sustainable institutional leadership.

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LT. COL. ABDUL MUJIB HAJI JAPAR, P.J.K., MGOVT., PSC (J)

Acting Director of the RBAF Religious Directorate

Lt. Col. Abdul Mujib bin Haji Japar was commissioned as the RBAF Officer in 2008 after completing the Officer Cadet School course at Sandhurst Academy, United Kingdom. He graduated with Bachelor of Art in Usuluddin (Dakwah and Islamic Culture) from University of Al-Azhar, Egypt in 2004. In 2021, he completed two Master's Degree programs; Master of Science in Military Science from National Defence University, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and Master of Government (Islamic Governance) from University of Brunei Darussalam. He used to work at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade as Research Officer in the Department of International Organisation for two years, and then joined the United Nation Interim Force in Lebanon for peacekeeping mission in 2013. He is one of the qualified United Nation peacekeeping instructors in the RBAF after joining the United Nations Military Expert on Mission Course at the Malaysian Peace Keeping Centre in 2018. He worked in the Religious Operation Office since 2019 and was appointed as Staff Officer Grade One from 2021-2023. As a religious preacher (daie), he is certified by Brunei Islamic Religious Council and is one of the well-known preacher in the RBAF. On 15 May 2024, Lt. Col. Abdul Mujib has officially been appointed as the Acting Director of the RBAF Religious Directorate.



MUNIRA MUSTAFFA

Former Analyst at SEARCCT and Malaysia's Defence Intelligence Organization (MIDIO) & Founder and Executive Director of Chasseur Group

Munira Mustaffa is the founder and Executive Director of Chasseur Group and Senior Fellow at Verve Research, specialising in emerging security challenges across political violence, hybrid threats, and irregular warfare. A former analyst at SEARCCT and Malaysia's Defence Intelligence Organisation (MDIO), she holds an MSc in Countering Organised Crime and Terrorism from University College London and is an incoming PhD candidate in War Studies at King's College London. Her work spans transnational threat analysis to strategic vulnerabilities, and she recently co-authored a good practice manual on countering terrorism financing for the International Institute for Justice and the Rule of Law (IIJ). She is also an Affiliate Member of the AVERT Research Network and previously held fellowships at the International Centre for Counter-Terrorism (ICCT) in The Hague and the New Lines Institute for Strategy and Policy in Washington, DC. Her analyses have been published by NATO StratCom COE, GNET, ASPI, ICCT, and the Combating Terrorism Center at West Point. She regularly briefs senior government and military stakeholders, as well as police and international law enforcement agencies including the FBI, and has provided expert analysis to news outlets such as Reuters, Washington Post, and Al Jazeera.

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