



***“Understanding and Addressing the World’s Biggest Problem”***

## **OVERVIEW**

Corruption has undoubtedly been one of the most deep-rooted, pervasive problems that has crippled economies around the world. Even in advanced economies, authorities have not been able to quell corruption completely.

The Corruption Perception Index (CPI) has last year ranked Malaysia number 61<sup>st</sup> out of 180 countries. Though this is way above notoriously corrupt countries in the Middle East, Africa, and some of its ASEAN neighbours, recent corruption cases have nonetheless propelled Malaysia into the global spotlight. With the establishment of the Malaysia Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) and the newly launched National Anti-Corruption Plan (NACP), Malaysia is committed to tackle this problem head on.

For centuries, authorities around the world have been trying to grapple with corruption, its root cause, the conducive environment that leads it to flourish, and explore effective ways to eradicate, if not mitigate, its hold on the economy. With the advent of disruptive technology and a better understanding of the economy, brighter days are ahead of us. But this means nothing without affirmative leadership and political will.

The Malaysia Anti-Corruption Forum, brought to you by International Strategy Institute (ISI), is a platform to bring together all concerned Malaysian citizens, government authorities, the media and the private sector to discuss, exchange ideas, and formulate key proposals to be submitted to the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC), with the hope that Malaysia will soon be able to tackle corruption sustainably as it moves towards a high-income nation status in the foreseeable future.

## PROGRAMME

8.00am – 9.20am

### FORUM REGISTRATION / MORNING REFRESHMENTS

9.15am – 9.20am

### INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

**Fazil Irwan Som**

Executive Director, International Strategy Institute (ISI)

9.20am – 11.20am

### AN ASEAN OUTLOOK ON CORRUPTION AND BEST PRACTICES FROM OTHER NATIONS

Despite Malaysia's negative headlines on corruption, we are just behind Singapore and Brunei in the Corruption Perceptions Index (CPI). This means that all other ASEAN countries are not faring too well on the corruption front. What is their perception on corruption and what steps are they taking to combat it? What are the best practices from other nations that we can learn from?

Speakers:

- **DCP Dato' Azri Ahmad**  
Deputy Director, Integrity and Standard Compliance Department, Royal Malaysia Police
- **Tony Kwok Man-Wai**  
Former Deputy Commissioner and Head of Operations of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC), Hong Kong SAR
- **Professor Vicha Mahakun**  
Dean, Faculty of Law, Rangsit University/ Former Commissioner, National Anti-Corruption Commission (NACC) Thailand
- **Thongkham Soumaloun**  
Senior International Relations Officer, State Inspection and Anti-Corruption Authority, Laos PDR

Moderator:

- **Datuk Seri Azman Ujang**  
Chairman, BERNAMA

11.20am - 12.20pm

### ACHIEVING THE RIGHT RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS

In order to ensure a vibrant economy and sound public order, the government must deal efficiently with 2 important components - taxation and its relationship with the private sector. The latter is important to ensure adequate provision of public and private goods in the interest of the country and its citizens. However, more often than not, this relationship is prone to abuse. Unregulated and unchecked relationship between government and business can lead to favoritism or cronyism, and ultimately full-fledged corruption at every level of society. How do we ensure the right balance of public private partnership that does not spill over into corruption?

Speakers:

- **Haridas S Krishnan Nair**  
Chairman, Business Ethics Institute of Malaysia (BEIM)
- **Jeroen Michels**  
Policy Analyst, Public Governance Directorate, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

Moderator:

- **Caroline Ong**  
Country General Manager (Malaysia)  
Leaderonomics

#### OPENING CEREMONY

12.35pm - 12.40pm

##### WELCOMING REMARKS

**Cheah Chyuan Yong**

Chairman, International Strategy Institute (ISI)

12.40pm - 1.10pm

##### OPENING KEYNOTE ADDRESS

**YB. Dato' Seri Anwar bin Ibrahim**

President, Parti Keadilan Rakyat

1.10pm - 1.25pm

Presentation of Mementoes and Group Photo

1.30pm - 2.45pm

**Networking Lunch**

2.45pm – 3.00pm

**Proceed to Forum venue**

3.00pm – 3.30pm

##### **SPECIAL PRESENTATION: DEPLOYING DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY TO COMBAT CORRUPTION**

The age of the 4th Industrial Revolution has given birth to a wide array of disruptive innovations that increases efficiency and transparency of transactions. Before the advent of blockchain which has yet to make its proper mark in Malaysia, transactions can easily be tampered with, or hidden. With blockchain, every transaction is recorded and publicly accessible. Graph technology on the other hand, makes it easy for authorities to analyse data and make quick connections and linkages to powerful individuals, as was evident in the conclusion of the Panama Papers. What stops Malaysia from embarking on these technologies? What are the necessary steps to be taken to implement them?

Speaker:

- **Dato' Ts. Dr. Haji Amirudin Bin Abdul Wahab**  
Chief Executive Officer, Cybersecurity, Malaysia

3.30pm – 4.30pm

##### **UNDERSTANDING THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE CORPORATE LIABILITY LAW**

The Malaysian government will be enforcing the Corporate Liability Law by 2020, putting corporations liable for corrupt acts done by its employees. Such a law propels Malaysia at the forefront of the fight against corruption which has plagued the economy for decades. But what are the challenges in the implementation of this law? Will the amendment of Section 17A of the MACC Act allow for defence of a corporation against its rogue employees? What measures should be put in place in order for corporations to protect themselves against corrupt practices of its employees? Will corporate whistleblowers be adequately protected?

Speakers:

- **Dato Paduka Muhammad Juanda Abdul Rashid**  
Consultant (Ethics and Compliance)
- **Zakaria Mohamad Nor**  
Head of Mechanical, Electrical & Automotive Section, Management System Certification, SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd
- **Joyce Lim Wan Cheak**  
Partner, Forensic and Integrity Services, Ernst & Young

Moderator:

- **Rosli Dahlan**  
Partner, Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill

**CLOSING CEREMONY**

<b>4.30pm – 4.35pm</b>	<b>REMARKS</b> <b>Cheah Chyuan Yong</b> Chairman, International Strategy Institute (ISI)
<b>4.35pm – 4.50pm</b>	<b>SPECIAL ADDRESS</b> <b><i>“Understanding and Addressing the World’s Biggest Problem”</i></b> <b>Tan Sri Abu Kassim Mohamed</b> Director General, National Centre for Governance, Integrity and Anti Corruption (GIACC)
<b>4.50pm – 5.15pm</b>	<b>CLOSING KEYNOTE ADDRESS</b> <b><i>“Towards Zero Tolerance for Corruption”</i></b> <b>YB. Datuk Seri Saifuddin Nasution bin Ismail</b> Minister of Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs Malaysia
<b>5.15pm - 5.25pm</b>	Presentation of Mementoes and Group Photo

**5.30pm** End of Programme / Refreshments

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