









2024 WORLD ANTI-CORRUPTION CONFERENCE

"Transforming Trust, Eradicate Corruption: A Global Unity for Integrity"

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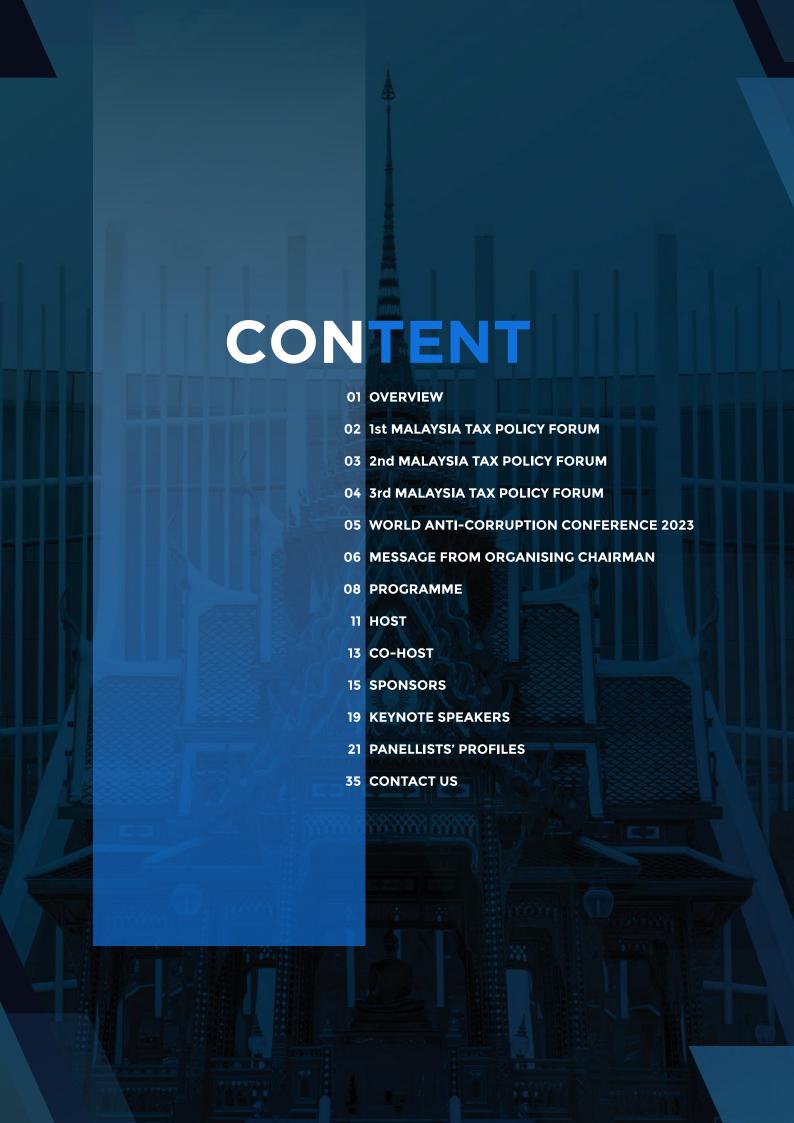
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OVERVIEW

The World Anti-Corruption Conference 2024 (WACC 2024) is set to advance the global anti-corruption dialogue under the theme "Transforming Trust, Eradicate Corruption: A Global Unity for Integrity." Bringing together leaders, policymakers, and experts from around the world, WACC 2024 aims to build on the achievements of previous conferences by elevating international cooperation, showcasing innovative anti-corruption strategies, and strengthening public-private partnerships. The conference will serve as a critical platform for sharing insights, developing actionable solutions, and fostering a unified global effort to combat corruption.

Recent reports underscore the urgent need for global action against corruption. Transparency International's latest Corruption Perceptions Index reveals that many countries, particularly in the Asia-Pacific region, continue to face significant challenges. For instance, Thailand's CPI score of 35 highlights ongoing difficulties despite various initiatives. Although the conference is hosted in Bangkok, its scope is global, reflecting the need for a worldwide response to corruption. The choice of Bangkok as the venue emphasizes the importance of addressing regional challenges while engaging a global audience.

WACC 2024 will cover a broad spectrum of topics, from the impact of corruption on small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) to the role of digitalization in enhancing transparency and accountability. This wide-ranging agenda reflects the diverse challenges and opportunities in the fight against corruption and underscores the need for comprehensive solutions across various sectors.

The conference aims to advance a comprehensive understanding of corruption, promote effective anti-corruption strategies, and advocate for enhanced transparency and accountability. By building on the successes of previous conferences, WACC 2024 seeks to set new benchmarks and drive transformative change. It will offer opportunities for attendees to explore innovative approaches, share best practices, and forge new partnerships in the fight against corruption.

Participants will be challenged to deepen their commitment to combating corruption and take decisive steps towards a more transparent and just world. Through high-impact discussions and collaborative sessions, the conference will facilitate the exchange of knowledge and development of actionable strategies. This collaborative environment will foster greater unity in addressing corruption and enhancing global integrity.

In conclusion, WACC 2024, with its theme of "Transforming Trust, Eradicate Corruption: A Global Unity for Integrity," will be a landmark event in the global fight against corruption. Hosted in Bangkok, Thailand, the conference will bring together a global audience to foster collaboration, drive innovation, and set new standards for anti-corruption efforts. As participants come together to share knowledge and commit to actionable solutions, WACC 2024 will mark a significant step forward in the pursuit of a more transparent, accountable, and just world.

1st MALAYSIA ANTI-CORRUPTION FORUM

In a concerted effort to tackle the pervasive issue of corruption, Malaysia hosted its inaugural Anti-Corruption Forum on September 5, 2019. The forum, organized by the International Strategy Institute (ISI), sought to address the nation's pressing anti-corruption challenges. At the time, Malaysia was ranked 61st on the 2019 Corruption Perception Index (CPI), reflecting a need for robust measures to combat corruption and promote transparency.

The 1st MACF represented a pivotal moment in Malaysia's anti-corruption journey. The forum was convened in response to a series of high-profile corruption scandals that had garnered international attention. It provided a platform for key stakeholders, including government officials, business leaders, media representatives, and civil society, to engage in meaningful discussions about combating corruption and enhancing governance.

A significant milestone discussed at the forum was the establishment of the Malaysia Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) and the launch of the National Anti-Corruption Plan (NACP). These initiatives were crucial steps in Malaysia's strategy to address corruption comprehensively. The forum allowed participants to explore these frameworks in depth and propose improvements to strengthen their impact.

The event's agenda prominently featured discussions on corporate liability laws, which are vital for reducing corruption's detrimental effects on businesses and the broader economy. The forum underscored the importance of implementing strong legal frameworks to foster ethical behaviour and support anti-corruption efforts within the private sector.

Networking opportunities provided by the forum were equally significant. The event facilitated crucial connections between government agencies and the private sector, overcoming barriers that had previously impeded progress. This collaboration was essential for advancing Malaysia's anti-corruption objectives and creating a more transparent and accountable environment.

In summary, the 1st Malaysia Anti-Corruption Forum was a landmark event that set the stage for Malaysia's ongoing anti-corruption efforts. By fostering dialogue, collaboration, and innovation, the forum played a vital role in shaping the nation's strategy to combat corruption and promote a culture of integrity and transparency.



2nd MALAYSIA ANTI-CORRUPTION FORUM

Continuing its commitment to combating corruption, Malaysia hosted the 2nd Malaysia Anti-Corruption Forum on September 3, 2020. The event, organized by the International Strategy Institute (ISI), addressed ongoing challenges in the fight against corruption, despite Malaysia's improved position to 51st on the 2020 Corruption Perception Index (CPI). The forum aimed to advance the nation's anti-corruption strategies and foster collaboration among various stakeholders.

The 2nd MACF highlighted the progress Malaysia had made in its anti-corruption efforts, including the work of the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) and the implementation of the National Anti-Corruption Plan (NACP). Despite these advancements, the forum recognized that significant challenges remained, particularly in addressing issues related to economic development and income inequality.

One of the forum's primary focuses was on enhancing the existing anti-corruption frameworks. Discussions included strategies for improving transparency and accountability within both public and private sectors. Participants engaged in brainstorming sessions to develop actionable proposals aimed at bolstering the MACC's efforts and ensuring that anti-corruption measures were effectively implemented.

The event also served as a critical platform for fostering continued dialogue and partnerships between government agencies, media representatives, and the private sector. By encouraging collaboration and information exchange, the forum aimed to strengthen collective efforts in the fight against corruption and support Malaysia's goal of becoming a high-income nation characterized by integrity and transparency.

The 2nd MACF underscored the importance of sustained commitment to anti-corruption initiatives. It provided valuable insights into the evolving landscape of corruption and offered practical solutions to address ongoing challenges. The forum's discussions and outcomes contributed significantly to Malaysia's ongoing efforts to create a more transparent and accountable governance framework.

In essence, the 2nd Malaysia Anti-Corruption Forum played a crucial role in reinforcing Malaysia's dedication to combating corruption. Through continued dialogue and collaboration, the event highlighted the importance of collective action in making meaningful progress and advancing towards a corruption-free future.





3rd MALAYSIA ANTI-CORRUPTION FORUM

Corruption remains a formidable global challenge, affecting economies and societies across all levels. Recognizing the need for concerted action, the 3rd Malaysia Anti-Corruption Forum (3rd MACF), organized by the International Strategy Institute (ISI), was held on the 24th of May 2022 at The Everly, Putrajaya. This forum provided a vital platform for government authorities, policymakers, law enforcers, media representatives, and private sector leaders to collaborate and address the pervasive issue of corruption.

The forum's discussions were comprehensive, focusing on enhancing anti-corruption laws, improving enforcement mechanisms, and fostering a culture of integrity within both the public and private sectors. Participants shared insights and experiences, aiming to formulate actionable proposals for submission to the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC). The event underscored Malaysia's commitment to combating corruption and promoting transparency, seeking to reclaim the nation's position as a trusted and accountable entity on the global stage.

A significant theme of the forum was the impact of corruption on the private sector. Corruption's role in inflating business costs, distorting market competition, and posing legal and reputational risks was thoroughly examined. Strategies for mitigating these risks were discussed, with a focus on robust compliance programs and ethical business practices. Participants also explored case studies from other countries, drawing valuable lessons that could be applied within the Malaysian context.

The broader societal impacts of corruption were also a focal point of the forum. Discussions highlighted how corruption disproportionately affects vulnerable populations, exacerbating poverty and inequality. The need for inclusive anti-corruption strategies that address these root causes was emphasized, promoting social justice and galvanizing public support for anti-corruption efforts.

The 3rd MACF was a pivotal event in Malaysia's ongoing battle against corruption. By fostering dialogue, collaboration, and innovation, the forum significantly contributed to shaping the nation's anti-corruption strategies. The outcomes of this event reinforced Malaysia's commitment to integrity and transparency, positioning the nation for meaningful progress in its fight against corruption. Through continued efforts and collective action, Malaysia is poised to make substantial strides towards a corruption-free future.



World Anti-Corruption Conference 2023

The World Anti-Corruption Conference (WACC) 2023, held on 16 November 2023 at the Royal Kuningan Hotel in Jakarta, Indonesia, successfully highlighted global efforts to combat corruption and enhance governance. Under the theme "Towards a Corrupt-Free Future: Strengthening Global Governance Together," the conference served as a crucial platform for leaders, policymakers, experts, and civil society representatives to unite in the fight against corruption.

During WACC last year, Tan Sri Dato' Sri Haji Azam Bin Baki, Chief Commissioner of the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC), made a powerful statement on the necessity of strong political will to address corruption. He highlighted Malaysia's significant step in integrating the National Centre for Governance, Integrity, and Anti-Corruption (GIACC) into MACC, effective April 18, 2023. This strategic consolidation reflects Malaysia's commitment to enhancing governance and integrity through unified oversight and coordinated action.

The conference featured a series of high-impact discussions and workshops focused on innovative anti-corruption strategies. Key themes included strengthening law enforcement mechanisms, enhancing global governance frameworks, and preventing the misuse of legal systems to evade accountability. Participants explored practical approaches to reinforce anti-corruption measures and foster international cooperation, aiming to build more transparent and accountable systems worldwide.

One of the major highlights of WACC 2023 was the emphasis on leveraging new technologies and collaborative networks to address corruption. Keynote speakers and panellists shared insights on how digital tools, such as blockchain and AI, can be utilized to detect and prevent corrupt practices, while also stressing the importance of protecting whistle-blowers and improving legal frameworks to prevent corruption.

The conference underscored Indonesia's commitment to anti-corruption efforts as a signatory to the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC). Hosting the event provided Indonesia with a platform to showcase its advancements in anti-corruption measures and to engage in meaningful dialogue with global stakeholders. This setting allowed for a rich exchange of ideas and best practices, contributing to the broader goal of fostering integrity and transparency.

Overall, WACC 2023 achieved its objectives of raising awareness, sharing knowledge, and fostering collaboration among anti-corruption advocates. The event set the stage for continued global dialogue and action, reaffirming the collective commitment to building a corrupt-free future. The insights gained from the conference will inform and inspire future anti-corruption initiatives, paving the way for meaningful progress in the global fight against corruption.







CHAIRMAN MESSAGE



Dear Esteemed Delegates and Participants,

Welcome to the World Anti-Corruption Conference 2024! It is both an honour and a privilege to address you as we convene to tackle one of the most pressing challenges of our time, the corruption. This insidious issue knows no borders and affects every facet of our society, undermining trust, hindering development, and perpetuating inequality.

As we gather for the World Anti-Corruption Conference (WACC) 2024, it is important to reflect on the persistent and pervasive challenge that corruption poses globally. According to recent statistics, corruption continues to siphon off an estimated \$1.26 trillion annually from developing countries alone, money that could otherwise lift over a billion people out of poverty for at least six years. This staggering figure underscores the urgent need for a unified and concerted effort to tackle corruption on a global scale.

Since 2019, we have organised the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Forum (MACF), which ran annually until 2022. These forums have provided a critical platform for dialogue and action, fostering national and regional collaborations and leading to tangible improvements in anti-corruption measures across Malaysia and beyond. Building on this momentum, we launched the World Anti-Corruption Conference (WACC) in 2023 at Jakarta, Indonesia. The impact of these conferences has been profound, with enhanced policy frameworks, increased international cooperation, and the dissemination of best practices. Our esteemed panellists, hailing from Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, Singapore, Vietnam, Myanmar, the Philippines, Japan, Brunei, Australia, China, and many more, have enriched our discussions with diverse perspectives and experiences, further solidifying our global network in the fight against corruption.

This year's WACC, with the theme of "Transforming Trust, Eradicate Corruption: A Global Unity for Integrity," reflects our collective commitment to building a world where transparency and trust are paramount. The World Anti-Corruption Conference 2024 is poised to be a transformative event. We have curated a comprehensive agenda that addresses key areas essential to our mission. Our discussions will centre on empowering small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) to combat corruption amidst globalization, enhancing regional cooperation in the Asia Pacific to tackle cross-border corruption, strengthening legal frameworks and judicial independence, and leveraging cutting-edge technologies for corruption detection and prevention. These topics are not just timely; they are crucial for creating sustainable, long-term solutions.

Our conference is not just a platform for dialogue but a catalyst for action. By bringing together diverse perspectives and expertise, we aim to generate actionable strategies that can be implemented across various sectors and regions. The insights gained here will undoubtedly contribute to the global anti-corruption agenda and help shape policies that promote integrity and accountability.

I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to our sponsors, partners, and each one of you for your unwavering support and commitment. Your participation is a testament to the shared dedication we have in eradicating corruption and building a better future. Special thanks to our distinguished panellists and speakers, whose knowledge and experience are invaluable to our discussions.

Together, let us continue to champion the values of transparency, justice, and integrity. The path to a corruption-free world is arduous, but with our collective efforts, it is attainable. Let us seize this opportunity to make meaningful progress and leave a legacy for future generations.

Thank you for being part of this crucial endeavour.

Warm regards,

Mr. CY Cheah

Chairman of International Strategy Institute (ISI)



PROGRAMME

8.00am - 9.00am

FORUM REGISTRATION

9.00am - 10.15am

OPENING CEREMONY

Opening Remarks

Mr. CY. Cheah

Chairman of International Strategy Institute (ISI)

Welcome Keynote Address

Dr. Arthit Ourairat

Founding President Emeritus of Rangsit University,
Former Vice President of the Parliament of Thailand,
and Former Speaker of the House of representatives of Thailand.

Opening Keynote Address

Datuk Seri Shamshun Baharin Mohd Jamil
Director General of the National Anti-Financial Crime Centre (NFCC)

Special Keynote Address

Mr. Abhisit Vejjajiva

Former Prime Minister of Thailand

10.15am - 10.30am

COFFEE BREAK

10.30am - 11.30am

EMPOWERING SMES IN THE AGE OF GLOBALISATION: STRATEGIES TO COMBAT CORRUPTION

According to the OECD, small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) are predominant in the business world, contributing significantly to global GDP and driving employment and innovation. However, they often lack the necessary resources to stay updated with best practices in anti-corruption and compliance. SMEs often encounter corruption in various forms, including bribery, extortion, and fraud, especially in countries with weak governance structures. This session will explore how globalisation impacts SMEs and discuss effective strategies to combat corruption, enabling these enterprises to thrive in an increasingly interconnected world. It aims to create a collaborative platform where stakeholders can share insights, develop actionable strategies, and committed to support SMEs in their fight against corruption.

11.30am - 12.30pm

CROSS-BORDER ANTI-CORRUPTION EFFORTS IN ASIA PACIFIC: ENHANCING REGIONAL COOPERATION

According to Transparency International, seventy-one percent of countries in Asia and the Pacific have a CPI score below both the regional average of 45 and the global average of 43 out of 100. These low scores indicate elected officials' failure to address anti-corruption efforts, alongside repression of civil society and attacks on press, assembly, and association freedoms. Focusing on the importance of regional collaboration, this topic will address the need for coordinated anti-corruption efforts across Asia Pacific nations. It will discuss the establishment and strengthening of regional anti-corruption networks, the harmonisation of legal frameworks, and the sharing of best practices and intelligence. By enhancing cross-border cooperation, Asia Pacific countries can more effectively combat corruption and promote sustainable development in the region.

PROGRAMME

12.30pm - 2.00pm

NETWORKING LUNCH

2.00pm - 3.00pm

STRENGTHENING ANTI-CORRUPTION LEGISLATION AND JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE: BUILDING ROBUST LEGAL FRAMEWORK

According to the United Nations, corruption and illicit financial flows drain US\$3.6 trillion from the global economy annually. Of this, US\$1 trillion is paid in bribes, while approximately US\$2.6 trillion is stolen through corrupt activities each year. This total amount is equivalent to over five percent of the global GDP. The critical role of legislation and legal frameworks in the fight against corruption will be focused on in this session. Effective anti-corruption laws and independent judicial systems are fundamental to ensuring accountability and justice. Current anti-corruption laws will be scrutinized, with a focus on identifying weaknesses and gaps, and strategies will be discussed to improve the independence and effectiveness of global judicial systems.

3.00pm - 4.00pm

LEVERAGING TECHNOLOGICAL SOLUTIONS TO DETECT AND PREVENT CORRUPTION

The World Bank Group leverages innovative technologies to strengthen public sector performance and productivity, confront corruption and to help foster greater trust and accountability, particularly in more fragile environments. It will explore the transformative potential of technology in detecting and preventing corruption. As technological advancements accelerate, new tools and methods are emerging that enhance transparency, streamline processes, and reduce opportunities for corrupt practices. Technologies such as blockchain, artificial intelligence, and other innovative solutions will be discussed for their potential to enhance transparency and accountability in systems.

4.00pm - 4.30pm

CLOSING KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Professor Vicha Mahakun

Dean of the School of Law, Rangsit University & Senior Advisory Board International Anti-Corruption Academy (IACA)

4.30pm

COFFEE BREAK

END OF PROGRAMME SESSION

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HOST

INTERNATIONAL STRATEGY INSTITUTE

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Our dialogues, programmes, research and networking platforms are designed to drive economic growth in the region. We aim to:

- Build platforms for regional dialogue and networking opportunities that allow businesses, industry captains and governments to come together to drive economic growth of the region;
- Provide timely research to keep our members and governments informed and updated on global trade and political issues that may have an impact on their operations;
- Match businesses to the right investors and ensure that the companies are paired with the right strategic investment partner.
- Provide strategic platforms that connect governments, businesses, and Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) around the region to conduct CSR programmes for community outreach and to give back to the community.







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Our mission is to unlock the full potential of your products by introducing them to new markets worldwide. Through our in-depth knowledge and experience in international trade, we strive to maximize your cross-country exposure and open doors to exciting business opportunities. By leveraging our expertise, we ensure that your products are showcased to a diverse customer base, allowing you to tap into untapped markets and increase brand recognition globally.

At Mercury Commerce, we are committed to building a sustainable supply chain that benefits all stakeholders involved. We work closely with manufacturers, offering guidance and support to enhance their production capabilities, product quality, and compliance with international standards. Additionally, we establish strong relationships with reputable buyers, guaranteeing that your products reach the right target audience and achieve optimal sales performance. Successful cross-border trade should be mutually beneficial for all parties involved.

Our dedication to delivering exceptional end-to-end service throughout the entire cross-border trade journey sets us apart. From efficient order processing and rigorous quality control to secure packaging and timely delivery, we prioritize customer satisfaction and strive to exceed expectations at every step. Our team of professionals is always ready to provide personalized assistance, ensuring a seamless experience for manufacturers and buyers alike.

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An Eden of Nature and Animals Farm In The City (FITC) is a unique new concept that combines elements of wildlife and nature set in a designed environment of a conservation park. Drawing upon the values of Malaysia's multi-racial and multicultural population, FITC is designed to resemble a typical Malaysia village or "kampung" setting. FITC plans to become a focal point for tourism in the state by providing educational and entertaining insights into the lifestyle and setting of a Malaysian village, farm and fruit orchard with its natural plants and wildlife. FITC is much more than a viewing exhibit. It encourages visitor-interractions with the animals and plant-life in a comfortable yet authentic environment. FITC also places great importance on education of visitors on the various aspects of farm and animal life as well as wildlife conservation and preservation.

DahPay



DahPay is an e-payment company built on the core tenets of high value-added entrepreneurship, creativity and innovation. Realizing the potential of the financial sector and the new economic model; Dahpay was created for hassle-free payment. Rather than carrying wallets around, the high number of smartphone users rely on their gadgets for all aspects of their lives, including finance.

Our aim is to create a strong, comprehensive and progressive financial system to underpin Malaysia's vision to become a developed nation by 2025. DahPay will be a full-fledged payment system for all kinds of payments and transfers, providing a solution to bring business to the next level.

Mymakanan



Mymakanan.my is a nationwide project organized by the International Strategy Institute (ISI). Mymakanan connects local food suppliers selling vegetables, chicken, cattle, goatfish, fruits, sugar, salt, flour and others to consumers across Malaysia.

Mymakanan aim is to help local traders and entrepreneurs recover from the pandemic and cater to customers who choose to shop online. Mymakanan has a ready list of food suppliers who can be contacted directly via phone or whatsapp to place an order. Meanwhile, food suppliers and manufacturers can register with Mymakanan for free for a limited period of time to sell the products online, through Mymakanan.my.

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We are Malaysia Leasure Swim wear brand "Summer Splash" founded in 2008 by Winnie Lim, specialising in pattern design inspired by Asian Culture and lifestyle brand of swim wear that specialises in pattern design. Inspired by "Active For Life" concepts and these concept are translated to different mediums such as apparel, clothing and holidays range of products. Everything is illustrated by Active Concept and all the designs and colours encapsulate the diversity of South East-Asia.

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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



WELCOME KEYNOTE ADDRESS

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Ang Yuit

President, the Association of Small & Medium Enterprises Managing Director, The Adventus Consultants Pte Ltd Singapore

Ang Yuit is the Managing Director of The Adventus Consultants Pte Ltd, a digital solutions company, and currently serves as the President of the Association of Small & Medium Enterprises (ASME).

Mr Ang Yuit joined ASME as a council member in 2009. Throughout his time, he has helmed positions as the Vice President of Membership and Training, and Strategy and Development. He is also the Chairman of the Global Ready Talent Programme and SME Centre@ASME, the latter set up by Enterprise Singapore to provide comprehensive business advisory services and assistance to local SMEs.

In 2023, Mr. Ang was elected President of the 28th Executive Council, marking a significant milestone in his longstanding involvement with ASME. Throughout his 15-year tenure, he has consistently demonstrated his commitment to empowering SMEs, leveraging his expertise and experience to drive impactful initiatives that support their growth and success.



Tan Sri Abu Kassim bin Mohamed

Former Chief Commissioner of the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC)

Malaysia

Retired from the last post as the Director General at the National Centre for Governance, Integrity and Anti-Corruption, Malaysia effective 4 December 2020. Was born on 5 December 1960 in Selangor, Malaysia. Studied at University Science Malaysia (USM) and obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Social Science. Later was offered a government scholarship to pursue for a Masters in Criminal Justice from Michigan State University, USA.

On completion of the first degree, in 1984 was appointed as an Investigation Officer at the Anti-Corruption Agency (ACA), Malaysia. Held various positions, including Director of Planning and Coordination, Director for Anti-Corruption Agency, State of Perak, the Director for ACA State of Penang, and Director for Malaysia Anti-Corruption Academy (MACA). Also had a stint with the private sector when seconded to Amanah Raya Berhad, a government link entity, as the Chief Integrity Officer.

In 2007 was appointed to the post of Deputy Director General in- charge of operations at ACA Malaysia and later in 2010 was appointed as the Chief Commissioner of Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC). Had also hold the position of Chief Commissioner for more than six years till July 2016. The last grade at MACC was 'Turus II'.

On resignation from the position as the Chief Commissioner at MACC, was appointed as the Consultant and Advisor at the Centre for Governance and Integrity at University Technology of MARA, Shah Alam, Malaysia till May 2018.

Presently, is the Founder and Chairman for Koperasi Kebuniti Selangor Berhad, and the founder and Chairperson for the Perdana International Anti-Corruption Champion Foundation (PIACCF).



Dr. Nidawan Pawcsuntorn

Vice Dean for Academic Affairs of the Faculty of Law, RSU

Thailand

Dr. Nidawan Pawcsuntorn is a faculty member and Vice Dean for Academic Affairs at the Faculty of Law, Rangsit University. She holds a Ph.D. in Laws. Her current research focuses on the legal issues related to Thailand's Anti-Corruption Law, particularly concerning small and medium entrepreneurs whose operations are under the Public Procurement Act, B.E. 2560.



Greco Antonious Beda Banta Belgica

Former Chairman of the Presidential Anti-Corruption Commission

Philippines

Mr. Greco Antonious Beda B. Belgica has held significant roles in the Philippine government, particularly in the fight against corruption. He served as the former Chairman of the Presidential Anti-Corruption Commission from March 2021 to November 2021 and as a Commissioner from 2017 to 2021. His leadership in these positions was instrumental in promoting transparency and accountability within the government. His term in office resulted to the filing of over 200 cases in court against high ranking government officials, foiled over 13,000 reports corruption, removed over 800 government officials from office because of corruption, and has caused government to save billions of pesos from corruption because of the works the office he has led produced.

His accomplishments in the fight against corruption under the office of the President is still unmatched to this day.

Earlier in his political career, he served as a Councillor of the City of Manila from 2004 to 2007. In 2013 Mr. Greco Belgica lead the filing of the case in the Supreme Court questioning the constitutionality of the Pork Barrel System. A funding mechanism of Congress and the Office of the President appropriating lump sum funds in their offices at their sole discretion that lead billions of anomalous transactions every year from 1990 when the budget was created. Congressional pork barrel was P24B a year and Presidential Pork Barrel was \$1.1B in 2013.

The pork barrel funds were questioned before the Supreme Court twice before the Belgica petition was filed. Both prior cases lost and the items were declared legal by the courts. However, in 2013 in the Belgica case, 22 years after 2 failed petitions by other groups, the Supreme Court ruled in Belgica's favor with a unanimous decision declararing the "Pork Barrel System" is Unconstitutional.

This land mark case is now known as the "Belgica Ruling".

Outside of government, Mr. Belgica has been actively involved in advocating for systemic reforms and transparency through various organizations. He is the President and founder of Pederalismo ng Dugong Dakilang Samahan (PDDS), a political party dedicated to advancing reforms through laws and the Constitution. He also chairs the BG Partylist, which seeks to bring national reform and strengthen the justice system, and the Truth and Justice Coalition, which focuses on promoting transparency and combating corruption within the government.

In addition to his work in governance and advocacy, Mr. Belgica leads initiatives in the business sector. He is the Chairman and President of Greco Belgica Development Corporation (GBDC) and a Director at Town Planners Development Corporation. Through both his public service and business roles, he remains committed to advancing the principles of integrity, justice, and economic progress in the Philippines.



Lau Chi-ho, Paul

Assistant Director of the Operations Department Independent Commission Against Corruption

Hong Kong SAR, China

Mr. Lau joined the Operations Department of the Independent Commission Against Corruption in 2004, bringing a wealth of experience in investigating alleged corruption cases across government departments, public bodies, and the private sector. Throughout his tenure, he has been assigned to various units, where he has played a pivotal role in upholding integrity and transparency.

In recent years, Mr. Lau has shifted his focus toward internal support, policy-making, and the development of IT security protocols, alongside spearheading training initiatives within the department. He is also instrumental in the establishment and growth of the Hong Kong International Academy Against Corruption, which aims to enhance anti-corruption efforts and promote global collaboration in combating corruption.

Mr. Lau is committed to continuous professional development, having completed advanced training at prestigious institutions, including Peking University, the University of Cambridge, the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police College. Additionally, he participated in an exchange program with the Department of Investigation in New York City.

He holds a Master's Degree in Applied Criminology and Policing, as well as Bachelor's Degrees in Law and Civil Engineering.



Dr. Thanes Sucharikul

LL. D. Lecturer in Faculty of Law, Rangsit University

Thailand

Dr. Sucharikul has been actively involved in international law and diplomacy since his study in the United States for nearly 40 years subsequent to his graduation with a Bachelor Degree in Law (LL.B.) from Thammasat University in Thailand in 1971. He graduated from the George Washington University, Washington DC, with a Master of Comparative Law (M.C.L.) in 1976; a Master of Laws (LL.M.) (With Highest Honors) (International and Comparative Law) in 1983; and a Doctor of Juridical Science (S.J.D.) in 1985, the last two as a Fulbright Scholar. He was an Ambassador attached to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand. He is now a Faculty Member of the School of Law of Rangsit University, Thailand.

Dr. Sucharikul has been practicing international trade law before the creation of the World Trade Organization (WTO). He actively participated in deliberation of the policy decisions relating to the GATT on the part of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and formulation of the negotiating positions of the Thai Delegations in the Uruguay Round Multilateral Trade Negotiation (URMTN). He was also a member of the Thai Delegation attending the conclusion of the URMTN in 1993, serving as a legal adviser. He was also nominated by the Royal Thai Government as a candidate from Thailand for a Member of Appellate Body of the WTO in 2012.

Dr. Sucharikul has also been practicing diplomatic and legal activities in the fields of trade and investment in the regional context of ASEAN. He was a member of several Thai Delegations for the negotiations and dispute settlements in these fields under the ASEAN Free Trade Area (AFTA). He was one of the High Level Legal Expert Group of the ASEAN to draft the Protocol on the Dispute Settlement Mechanism (2010) under the ASEAN Charter.



Dr. Sutthi Suntharanurak

Advisor at the State Audit Office

Thailand

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H.E. Kyaw holds the position of Commissioner of the Anti-Corruption Commission and brings a wealth of diverse experiences to his role. With a solid educational background, including a Bachelor of Science and postgraduate degrees in law and international law, H.E. Kyaw has a strong academic foundation. H.E. Kyaw's remarkable 20-year tenure in the Myanmar Police, particularly in the Coun-terterrorism Unit and as a Contact Officer for Interpol and ASEANAPOL, has honed his expertise in various facets of law enforcement.

H.E. Kyaw contributions as the Secretary of the 32nd ASEANAPOL Conference, Head of the Depart- ment against Transnational Crime, and Chief of the Financial Crime Division underscore his com- mitment to combating transnational crime and money laundering. Furthermore, his role as a Coun- try Expert and Assessor of the United Nations Convention against Corruption in Nigeria demon- strates his international involvement in anti-corruption efforts. His excellency significant role as Vice Chairman of Anti-Money Laundering/Combating the Financing of Terrorism (AML/CFT) reflects his commitment to ensuring financial integrity and security.



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Prof. Dr. Prasit Aekaputra

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After his retirement from Thammasat University, he was nominated as the Dean of the Faculty of Law at Dhurakij Pundit University (DSU), Huachiew Chalermprakiet University (HCU), and National Institute of Development (NIDA) before becoming a Senior Professor of the RSU at present day. He also has been involved in academic works at many universities in Thailand and abroad such as Guest Lecturer of Xiamen University of China, University of Surabaya (UBAYA) and Jambi University of Indonesia. Moreover, he was appointed as a legal advisor of two formers ministers (Prachuab Chaiyasan in 1995 - 1996 and Dr. Surakiart Sathirathai in 2001) of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand and a staff of the team of Thailand in case of Cambodia's request for interpretation of the ICJ's Judgement of 15 June, 1962 concerning the Temple of Preah Vihear (Cambodia v. Thailand).

Recently, he also provides his legal advice to the Supreme Audit Office (SAO) of Thailand in order to set up and improve the State Audit Standard of Thailand in 2019 in line with the International Audit Standards of the INTOSAI (International Organization of the Supreme Audit Institutions). These standards are quite important to combat corruption in Thailand especially in the field of public finance and public administration.



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Ms. Moon holds the position of deputy director of the Anti-Corruption and Civil Rights Commission of Korea since 2017. Her role as an officer in charge of the UN Convention Against Corruption, OECD Foreign Bribery Convention, G20 Anti-Corruption Working Group of the ACRC Korea demonstrates her international involvement in anti-corruption efforts. She drafted and published the Report on measures to encourage public organizations to implement anti-corruption policy, and it was included in the Accountability Report of the G20 Anti-Corruption Working Group in 2018.

In addition to this, she had investigated high profile cases for breaching the Improper Solicitation and Graft Act as an investigator in the Anti-Solicitation Institution Division.

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