

National Conference on Business and Human Rights 2021: Towards a National Action Plan
Day 1 (21 September 2021)

8:45am Participant Registration

Opening Remarks

YBhg. Datuk Haji Mohd Rabin bin Basir
Director General,
Legal Affairs Division, Prime Minister's Department (BHEUU, JPM)

9:00am Tan Sri Othman bin Hashim
Chairman,
Human Rights Commission of Malaysia (SUHAKAM)

Niloy Banerjee
Resident Representative,
UNDP Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei Darussalam

Keynote Message

9:45am YB Dato' Sri Dr Wan Junaidi bin Tuanku Jaafar
Minister in the Prime Minister's Department (Parliament and Law)

Plenary Session 1

Malaysia's Progress Towards a National Action Plan on Business and Human Rights

Moderated by
Prof. Dato' Dr. Aishah Bidin
BHR Advisor and Professor of Law, Academy of Sciences Malaysia

10:00am Dr. Punitha Silivarajoo
Director (Policy and Research), Legal Affairs Division, Prime Minister's Department (BHEUU, JPM)

Dato' Mah Weng Kwai
Commissioner, Human Rights Commission of Malaysia (SUHAKAM)

Edmund Bon,
AmerBON, Advocates

Sime Darby (TBC)

Plenary Session 2

In the Spotlight: Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Malaysia's Responsible Business Conduct Landscape

11:30am Moderated by
Dato' Dr. Madeline Berma
Human Rights Commission of Malaysia (SUHAKAM)

Niloy Banerjee
Resident Representative, UNDP Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei Darussalam

Roberto Benetello

	Executive Director, Business Council for Sustainable Development (BCSD) Malaysia
	SMECorp (TBC)
1:00pm	Lunch Break
2:00pm	In Conversation with the UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
	Dr. Surya Deva Chair of the UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
	Prof. Dato' Dr. Aishah Bidin BHR Advisor and Professor of Law, Academy of Sciences Malaysia
2:30pm	Parallel Session 1(a) Business and Human Rights Trends in Asia and Beyond
	Moderated by Livio Sarandrea Business and Human Rights Advisor, UNDP Asia Pacific
	Nareeluc Pairchaiyapoom Director of International Human Rights Division, Ministry of Justice, Government of Thailand
	Abhijit Phukon Director, Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India
	Government of Indonesia (TBC)
	Deniz Utlu Senior Policy Adviser, Business and Human Rights, German Institute for Human Rights (GIHR)
	Elin Wrzoncki Department Director, Human Rights and Business, Danish Institute of Human Rights
	Parallel Session 1(b) The ESG Movement: The Realities of “Doing Well by Doing Good”
	Moderated by Sean Lees Business and Human Rights Specialist, B+HR Asia, UNDP Asia Pacific
	Faizal Mohd Yusof Senior Director Investment and Trade Facilitation Division, Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI)
	Dr. Yeoh Ken Kyid Vice President, Corporate Governance and Sustainability, Bursa Malaysia
	Norhaiza Jemon, Director, Regulatory Development & Services Division, Companies Commission of Malaysia (SSM)
	Securities Commission Malaysia (TBC)

4:00pm End of Day 1

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In Conversation with the Delegation of the European Union to Malaysia

9:30am H. E. Michalis Rokas
Ambassador and Head of the EU Delegation to Malaysia

Jehan Wan Aziz
Business and Human Rights Specialist, UNDP Malaysia

Parallel Thematic Session 1(a)

National Action Plan on Business and Human Rights: Labour

Moderated by
Dr. Andika Wahab
Fellow, Institute of Malaysian & International Studies (IKMAS, UKM) and Technical Advisor, Supply Chain Innovation, FLA

Bashah Bachik
Deputy Undersecretary, Policy Division, Ministry of Human Resources

10:00 Fredy Guacayan
Programme Manager for Supply Chains in Asia, International Labour Organization (ILO)

Datuk Hj Shamsuddin Bardan
Executive Director, Malaysian Employers Federation

Mohd Effendy Bin Abdul Ghani
Deputy President, Malaysian Trade Unions Congress (MTUC)

Adrian Pereira
Executive Director, North South Initiative

Parallel Thematic Session 1(b)

National Action Plan on Business and Human Rights: Environment

Moderated by
Elina Jani
Senior Director, Business Development, CEO's Office, Malaysian Green Technology and Climate Change Centre (MGTC)

Ahmad Saifful Salihin
Head of Legal & Environmental Forensic Section, Department of Environment, Ministry of Environment and Water

Adam Malik Najri
Deputy Director, Water & Sewerage Regulatory Department (SPAN)

Prof. Dr. Azni Idris

Waste Technology Centre, Universiti Putra Malaysia

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Maizatun Mustafa

Legal Practice Department, Ahmad Ibrahim Kulliyah of Laws, International Islamic University Malaysia

Parallel Thematic Session 1(c)

National Action Plan on Business and Human Rights: Governance

Moderated by

Dr. Rozaidi Abdul Rahim Razali,

Head, Group Integrity & Governance Department, PROLINTAS Group of Companies

Tan Sri Abu Kassim

Chairman, Perdana International Anti-Corruption Champion Foundation (PIACCF)

Dr. Mark Lovatt

Secretary General of Business Integrity Alliance (BIA)

Cynthia Gabriel

Founding Director, Center to Combat Corruption and Cronyism (C4)

12:00pm

Lunch Break

Parallel Session 2(a)

Central Role of Human Rights Defenders in Advancing Business and Human Rights

Moderated by

Shivani Verma

Human Rights Officer, Regional Office for Southeast Asia, OHCHR

2:00pm

Sevan Doraisamy

Executive Director, Suara Rakyat Malaysia (SUARAM)

Andrew Khoo

Co-chair of the Bar Council Constitutional Law Committee

Wathshlah Naidu

Executive Director, Center for Independent Journalism (CIJ)

Parallel Session 2(b)

Implementing Human Rights Due Diligence (HRDD)

Moderated by

Prof. Dato' Dr. Aishah Bidin,

BHR Advisor and Professor of Law, Academy of Sciences Malaysia

Joanne Chua

National Programme Officer, International Organization for Migration (IOM)

Shamistha Selvaratnam

Business and Human Rights Advisor, Pillar Two

Cynthia Ann Peterson

	Principal, Social Performance, PETRONAS
3:30pm	Closing Remarks Manon Bernier Deputy Resident Representative, UNDP Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei Darussalam
4:00pm	End of Conference