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# Accelerating Climate Action in Sarawak

An Open Day for the  
Sarawak Net Zero Strategy and Carbon Plan

7 – 8 October 2025

8.00am – 5.30pm

Sheraton Kuching Hotel

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*Your Vision, Sarawak's Future:  
Charting Climate Action to 2050*

Join key stakeholders in **shaping Sarawak's sustainable future** at this pivotal event, where the **Sarawak Net Zero Strategy and Carbon Plan** will be presented.

Designed to foster collaboration, the event will facilitate meaningful dialogue between public and private sector leaders, provide insights into sustainable investment opportunities, and serve as a platform for the signing of climate action commitments.

This event also offers a unique opportunity to gather insights and feedback that will directly inform and enrich Sarawak's climate action journey.

Be part of this critical conversation as Sarawak positions itself at the forefront of regional and global climate action.



# Programme\*

Day 1: 7 October 2025

8:00 Registration

## Opening Address

8:30 The Honourable Datuk Dr. Haji Hazland bin Abang Haji Hipni, Deputy Minister of Ministry of Energy and Environmental Sustainability Sarawak (MEESTy)

## Keynote Address

8:45 Dato' Mohammad Faiz Azmi, Executive Chairman, Securities Commission Malaysia

9:10 **Panel Discussion 1** | Accelerating climate action – Delivering on net zero and the Road to Belém at COP30

- H.E. Daniella Ortega de Menezes, Ambassador of Brazil to Malaysia and Brunei, Embassy of Brazil
- Datuk Dr Ching Thoo, Secretary General, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Sustainability
- Alongkorn Ponlaboot, Advisory Board Chairman to the Minister, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Government of Thailand
- Taisei Matsuki, Senior Climate Change Specialist, World Bank

Moderated by Professor Dr Ong Kian Ming, Adjunct Professor, Taylor's University

10:00 **Presentation by World Bank** | Balancing innovation and coordination: Institutional solutions for effective climate action in Malaysia's Borneo states

Marco Larizza, Senior Public Sector Specialist in the Governance Global Practice, World Bank

10:15 **Dialogue** | Transitioning Industrial Clusters, an initiative to decarbonise industries and maximise potential for green growth

- Dr Wong Wai Khuen (Max), Senior Principal Assistant Director, Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry
- Ikmal Hisham Maharon, Head of Strategic Planning Division, Economic Planning Unit Sarawak
- Calvin Woo, Director, Malaysia Centre for Fourth Industrial Revolution (MyDigital) on Transitioning Industrial Clusters
- Maria Claudia Borras, Chief Growth & Experience Officer, Baker Hughes

Moderated by Edwina Chin, Global Government and Public Sector Sustainability Lead, International Development Lead and Partner, PwC Singapore

11:10 **Welcome Address**

Nurul A'in Abdul Latif, Executive Chair, PwC Malaysia

## Special Address

11:20 The Right Honourable Datuk Patinggi Tan Sri (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari bin Tun Datuk Abang Haji Openg, Premier of Sarawak

12:00 **Lunch**

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## Panel Discussion 2 | Powering Progress – Financing the net zero transition

- Kim Gabrielli, CEO, Worldview International Foundation
- Charis Yeap, Southeast Asian Regional Lead on Green Finance, UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office
- Sharmine Tan, Regional Sustainability and Policy Lead for Southeast Asia, Boeing
- Ranita Abdullah, Head of ESG Strategy and Solutions, Maybank Group Global Banking

Moderated by Patrick Tay, Economics and Policy Partner, PwC Malaysia

14:20

## Panel Discussion 3 | The Business of Carbon – Unlocking the carbon market potential

- Dr Renard Siew, President, Malaysia Carbon Market Association
- Suhaini binti Haron, Senior Director Corporate Development & Strategy, Malaysia Forest Fund
- Natalia Rialucky Marsudi, CEO, Fairatmos

Moderated by Emily Gerrard, Principal Lawyer, Comhar Group

15:05

## Panel Discussion 4 | Integrating climate with nature and biodiversity to strengthen co-benefits and manage trade-offs in a just transition

- Dato Dr Yeo Tiong Chia, CEO, Sarawak Biodiversity Centre
- Dr Lydia Cole, Conservation Ecologist, University of St Andrews
- Chin Sing Yun, Country Director, Centre for Agriculture and BioSciences International Malaysia

Moderated by Perpetua George, Sustainability and Climate Change Director, PwC Malaysia

15:45

## Tea Break

16:00

## Panel Discussion 5 | Fuelling the Future – Charting Sarawak's path as a clean energy leader

- Mohamad Irwan Aman, General Manager, Sarawak Energy Berhad
- Mariana Michael, Head of Health, Safety, and Environment, PETROS
- Dr Patricia Seevam, General Manager for Transformation and Energy Transition, Shell
- Dr Tan Inn Shi, Deputy Dean of Research and Development, Curtin University

Moderated by Kamarul Bahrin, Journalist and News Anchor

16:50

## Panel Discussion 6 | Waste to Wealth – Rethinking resources in a circular economy

- Prof Dr Sooyeon Kim, Senior Director, Sustainable Value Creation Division, OCI TerraSus
- Bernard Yong, General Manager, Weida Group
- Izzan Fathurrahman, Research Associate, Stockholm Environmental Institute

Moderated by Richard Baker, Sustainability and Climate Change Director, PwC Malaysia

17:30

End of Day 1

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## Key highlights

- ▶ Discover and provide feedback on Sarawak's decarbonisation pathway and carbon market mechanism that will shape Sarawak's future
- ▶ Workshops on sustainability reporting and ESG principles led by the Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry
- ▶ Opportunities to exchange ideas and best practices with other leaders to drive measurable climate action and long-term value



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Day 2: 8 October 2025

## Side Events

*Open to all participants, these sessions showcase expert research, developments, and insights in climate and sustainable development.*

9:00 – 9:45

### **Trade, Investments and Human Capital Development in the Context of Net Zero Transition**

By Professor Dr Ong Kian Ming, Adjunct Professor, Taylor's University

10:30 – 11:15

### **Valuing Nature: Considerations for developing high-integrity natural capital markets**

By Dr Lydia Cole, Conservation Ecologist, University of St Andrews

13:00 – 13:40

### **Equatic Carbon Removal Technology and Sarawak Demonstration Plant**

By Gaurav Sant, Founder and Chief Technology Officer, Equatic

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## Shifting Horizons Gallery

Explore Sarawak's innovative future through this all-day interactive gallery, showcasing real-world use cases in sustainability, technology, and community-driven solutions. Engage with cutting-edge ideas shaping the state's next chapter.

# 500+

## Industry leaders

Connect with a vibrant network of industry decision makers from various sectors such as:

- ▶ Ministry / government agencies
- ▶ International organisations
- ▶ Industry associations
- ▶ Financial institutions
- ▶ Private sector
- ▶ Investors
- ▶ Carbon project developers
- ▶ Media
- ▶ NGOs



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## KenalESG Programme track

by Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry

*Seats are limited to 50pax on first come, first served basis*

8:30	<b>Arrival &amp; Registration</b>
9:00	<b>Welcome Remarks &amp; Opening Speech</b>
9:15	Malaysia's Strategic Direction on ESG
9:45	Integrating ESG into Credit Assessments: A Bank's Perspective
10:15	Export Opportunities for ESG-Compliant SMEs
10:45	<b>Coffee Break</b>
11:00	ESG Compliance Support for SMEs for MNCs
11:30	Introduction to ESG Reporting & i-ESG Framework
12:00	<b>Networking Lunch</b>
	Hands-on Session: Using i-ESG Self-Assessment Toolkit
14:00	ESG Reporting Using ESG Starterkit
	Reporting Templates, Submission Guidelines & Common Pitfalls
16:00	<b>Closing remarks &amp; certificate presentation</b>

## Transitioning Industry Clusters (TIC) Workshop

by MyDigital

*A practical workshop on the Transitioning Industry Clusters initiative for committed signatories. Attendance is by invitation only*

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## Featured speakers



**Dato' Mohammad Faiz Azmi**

*Executive Chairman,  
Securities Commission  
Malaysia*



**H.E. Daniella Ortega de Menezes**

*Ambassador of Brazil to  
Malaysia and Brunei,  
Embassy of Brazil*



**Taisei Matsuki**

*Senior Climate  
Change Specialist,  
World Bank*



**Alongkorn Ponlaboot**

*Advisory Board  
Chairman to the  
Minister, Ministry of  
Natural Resources and  
Environment,  
Government of Thailand*



**Professor Dr Ong Kian Ming**

*Pro Vice-chancellor for  
External Engagement,  
Taylors University*



**Emily Gerrard**

*Principal Lawyer,  
Comhar Group*



**Dr Lydia Cole**

*Conservation Ecologist,  
University of St Andrews*



**Charis Yeap**

*SouthEast Asian  
Regional Lead on  
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Development Office*

