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Harmony in Religious and Cultural Diversity Webinar

15 June 2021 (Tuesday)

10.30 am – 12.00 pm

Zoom Meeting

Background

In multicultural societies, it is important to engage and interact with one another as this is a form of educating the general public on cultural diversity and spurring discussions on different levels about a specific value or practice.

What is essential in a multicultural society is a comprehensive framework that consists of a solid philosophical foundation for peace as well as the practical aspects of interactions that would make harmonious co-existence long-lasting and permanent.

No society can really achieve economic, social and political success if it lacks the elements of peace, harmony and positive social development. It is therefore imperative that all nations which seek to be great to tread along the path of peace.

Purpose

- This forum aims to raise awareness among participants that solidarity is an important part of cultural life in different communities in the country and need to be nurtured, strengthened and maintained.
- The purpose of this online forum is to awaken in the participants the spirit of tolerance, cooperation and mutual help, all which are the basis for social cohesion which in turn is the key strength of a country and leads to its stability.

Target Audience

- Active students (from all faculties and institutes) of UCSI University and UCSI College who are interested in a deeper understanding of unity building. (ELE/SWA/ECA)
- Sekretariat Rukun Negara UCSI University
- Sekretariat Rukun Negara UCSI College
- RCE Greater Kuala Lumpur (Candidate) network.

How to Register

Fee: Free

Online Registration: <https://tinyurl.com/harecudi156> or scan the QR code



Distinguished Guest Speakers



Professor Emeritus Tan Sri Datuk Dr Hj Omar bin Abdul Rahman
Member, UCSI University Council

Tan Sri Omar is a Malaysian academician and corporate figure. He was honoured with Emeritus Professor title by Universiti Putra Malaysia. A path-breaking thinker, in 1984, Tan Sri Dr Omar was appointed as a science advisor to the Prime Minister, the first Malaysian to hold the esteemed position. In 2010, he was given the distinction of Tokoh Akademik Negara ke-10 in recognition of his immense achievements in the academic arena. He is one of the prime movers of the International Smart Partnership Dialogues regularly held in Langkawi, Malaysia (LID), and in Southern Africa (SAID), which promote the ethos and practice of Smart Partnership, the win-win philosophy for all forms of cooperative undertaking and multi-stakeholder partnering. He is also in the Organising Committee for the 'Dialog Rakyat for National Cohesion and Unity'.



Dr Hakim Young
International Coordinator, Afghan Peace Volunteers

Since 2002, Dr Hakim, a medical physician trained in Singapore, has worked among Afghans in Pakistan and Afghanistan as a medical humanitarian worker, a community and livelihood development facilitator, and a peace-builder. Prior to his work abroad, he volunteered many times with the Singapore Anti-Narcotics Association and Teen Challenge, and with Tetraplegia Workgroup Singapore. He is the 2012 recipient of the International Pfeffer Peace Prize by the Fellowship of Reconciliation (USA) for his work with the Afghan Peace Volunteers and the 2017 recipient of the Singapore Medical Association Merit Award for contributions in social service to communities.



Professor Datuk Dr Denison Jayasooria
Honorary Professor, Institute of Ethnic Studies (KITA)
Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM)

Professor Datuk Dr Denison Jayasooria is Honorary Professor at the Institute of Ethnic Studies (KITA) Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM). He is the Head of the All Party Parliamentary Group Malaysia on Sustainable Development Goals. (APPGM-SDG)

He holds a PhD in Sociology from Oxford Brookes University, United Kingdom. He was recently appointed by the Prime Minister as a member of the National Action Council for Shared Prosperity Vision 2030. He has been a member of the National Unity Advisory Council, Ministry of Nation Unity since 2020. He is also a member of the National SDG Steering Committee established by the Economic Planning Unit in 2016.

Tentative

Time	Description
10.15 am	Zoom Room is open to all participants
10.30 am	Emcee/ Moderator welcoming participants and introducing guest speakers
10.35 am	Norani Abu Bakar, Executive Director, UCSI Group SDG Secretariat Office Welcoming Speech
10.40 am	Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Haji Omar Abdul Rahman (15 – 20 minutes of sharing) <i>Topic: The Smart Partnership Way To Promoting Harmony in Religious and Cultural Diversity</i>
11.00 am	Announcement on Tan Sri Omar Harmony Award by (TBC)
11.05 am	Dr. Hakim Young (15 – 20 minutes of sharing) <i>Topic: The Spirit of Tolerance, Cooperation and Mutual Help</i>
11.25 am	Announcement on National Essay Competition by Centre For Languages By Daria Morozova, Director, Centre for Languages
11.30 am	Prof. Datuk Dr Denison Jayasooria (15 – 20 minutes of sharing) Topic: To be confirmed
11.50 am	Q and A session Quiz and certificate for ELE/ECA points (UCSI students)



Thank you very much for your support and participation



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