

SSM NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2024

27 & 28 August 2024 | 9am - 5pm | Virtual Conference

ENHANCING CORPORATE TRANSPARENCY. BUILDING RESILIENCE.

11 sessions

39 speakers

3000 delegates

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RM 600**

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ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

RUNNING IN ITS 13TH YEAR SINCE 2011, THE SSM NATIONAL CONFERENCE (SSMNC) HAS MADE ITS MARK AS A SIGNATURE REGULATORY EDUCATION AND NETWORKING PLATFORM FOR CORPORATE PROFESSIONALS TO STAY RELEVANT IN THE EVER CHANGING BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT.

The theme for SSMNC2024 is **“Enhancing Corporate Transparency. Building Resilience”**.

The Companies (Amendment) Act 2024 came into force on 1 April 2024 except for four sections. Section 4, 14, 26 and 28 of the Amendment Act will come into force later. Attend SSMNC2024 to get first hand understanding on the amendments and implementation. Be prepared to learn how the improvements in beneficial ownership reporting is crucial for transition into a new era of corporate transparency. Changes are also made to strengthen the corporate rehabilitation framework to support companies facing financial difficulties and in turn supporting economic recovery and competitiveness, particularly in the post-Covid-19 landscape.

Companies are bracing regulatory changes, the push for transparency, economy growth prospects, critical climate change, rising social-political tensions, tight financing

conditions, disruptive impact of artificial intelligence (AI) and cyber warfare. These challenges have compelled companies to revisit their governance policies. A well-developed corporate governance framework plays a significant role in improving business transparency and resilience, which are increasingly important in an interconnected and constantly evolving world. A resilient organisation has the capacity to respond, adapt while recovering quickly and prosper from unexpected events.

When a company is transparent about its operations, financial performances and decision-making processes, it instils credibility with investors, employees, customers and public. A transparent business is more likely to have clear strategic vision, ability to build trust, navigate in the uncertain seas, and solidifies the corporation’s resilience and adaptability.

OBJECTIVES

This Conference aims to provide a platform for board members and corporate professionals to enhance their knowledge on how they can bolster resilience and

enhance corporate transparency by addressing the challenges and seizing the opportunities facing the business world today.

WHY ATTEND

- Gain expert insight from regulator and industry leaders on key changes and the implementation of the Companies (Amendment) Act 2024.
- Help you in conducting your company readiness assessment based on the new regulatory requirements.
- Identify specific actions required under the new compliance and disclosure requirements.
- Access insightful conversations on how to build business resilience through transparency and in a disruptive AI future.
- Get the listing requirements regulatory update and SME X Platform up to the minute.
- Raise your level of understanding on the digital transformation of e-Invoice which will commence on 1 August 2024 in Malaysia.
- Enhance knowledge and techniques to foster corporate transparency via AML/CFT compliance.
- Eligible for continuing education credits.
- Get to visit the virtual exhibition booths to learn about the latest regulatory information and updates, corporate products and services.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Company Directors
- Company Secretaries
- Accountants
- Auditors

- Lawyers
- AML Compliance Managers
- Regulators
- Law Enforcers
- Risk Managers

- Educators and anyone who wish to learn more about enhancing corporate transparency and building resilience.



09.00 am

Welcome to SSM National Conference 2024
Opening Ceremony



09.35 am

Address on SSMNC 2024 Theme
Enhancing Corporate Transparency. Building Resilience



09.45 am

PLENARY 1 | FIRESIDE CHAT

Companies (Amendment) Act 2024: Unmasking Control. Beneficial Ownership Transparency and Implementation

With the enforcement of the new beneficial ownership (BO) provisions under the Companies (Amendment) Act 2024, companies are given until 30 September 2024 to lodge the latest BO information with the Registrar of Companies through online platform, e-BOS. In this fireside chat, SSM will explain the key changes to the BO reporting requirements and what should be expected by companies.

Moderator



Nadia S Hassan

Broadcast Journalist

Speaker



Norhaiza Jemon

Director, Corporate
Compliance Division,
Suruhanjaya Syarikat
Malaysia



10.45 am

Break and Networking at Virtual Exhibition Hall



11.15 am

PLENARY 2 | FIRESIDE CHAT

Companies (Amendment) Act 2024: Enhancing Corporate Governance

As part of continuous effort to ensure high level of governance among companies are maintained, improvements to several provisions in the Companies Act 2016 are made towards promoting compliance and facilitating the ease of business. SSM will explain the amendments that will have a major impact on the corporate community.

Moderator



Nadia S Hassan

Broadcast Journalist

Speaker



Yap Weng Seong

Senior Manager,
Regulatory Development &
Services Division,
Suruhanjaya Syarikat
Malaysia



11.45 am

PLENARY 3

Companies (Amendment) Act 2024: Strengthening Corporate Rehabilitation Framework

A significant portion of the amendment focuses on strengthening the restructuring and corporate rescue provisions of the Companies Act 2016. This session navigates the new restructuring landscape. Get insights on the key practical matters moving forward from here including quicker and more cost-efficient options for restructuring, keeping pace with international developments and more.

Moderator

Panellists

**Norhaslinda Salleh**

Director, Regulatory
Development & Services
Division, Suruhanjaya
Syarikat Malaysia

**Darius Tay**

Director, BlackOak LLC,
Singapore

**Lee Shih**

Managing Partner,
Lim Chee Wee Partnership

**Victor Saw**

Head of Business
Restructuring Services,
PwC Malaysia



01.00 pm

Lunch Break and Networking at Virtual Exhibition Hall



02.00 pm

PLENARY 4

How Boards as Stewards Can Drive Business Resilience Through Transparency



Recognising the developments and rising expectations in disclosure practices, the evolving communication platforms and clarity in the Board's performance and their effectiveness, there are now opportunities for organisations to provide more windows into the boardroom for all stakeholders, whilst balancing the delicate subject of risk and trust. In this session, gain insights on how leaders can be the steward for business resilience and leverage on greater transparency to drive progress, rather than hinder it.

Moderator

Panellists

**Michele Kythe Lim**

President &
Chief Executive Officer,
Institute of Corporate
Directors Malaysia

**Darren Kong**

Independent
Non-Executive Director,
Dutch Lady Milk
Industries Berhad

**Liz Kamaruddin**

Independent Non-Executive
Director, British American
Tobacco (Malaysia) Berhad,
Sedania Innovator Berhad &
Kumpulan Perangsang
Selangor Berhad

**Sherman Lam**

Senior Independent Non-Executive
Director, Hiap Teck Venture Berhad &
Independent Non-Executive Director,
Gadang Holdings Berhad



03.00 pm

Break and Networking at Virtual Exhibition Hall



03.15 pm

PLENARY 5

Accelerating Digital Economy for SMEs

SMEs must be open to change, invest in the right digital tools and upskill their workforce to fully leverage the benefits of digital transformation. This session explores the government support programs and grants that play a critical role in helping SMEs in Malaysia adopt digital technologies and compete in the global marketplace.

Stay tune for more information



04.15 pm

PLENARY 6

Building Corporate Resilience in A Disruptive AI Future

In a highly uncertain and fast-changing business environment, traditional approaches to strategy and planning no longer work. Learn about the four strategy errors and four ways to manage risk, build corporate resilience and create a culture that thrives in a disruptive AI future.

Moderator



Fazilah Yusof

Executive Coach, Naluri

Speaker



Azran Osman-Rani

Chief Executive Officer,
Naluri

05.00 pm

End of Day 1



09.00 am

PLENARY 7

Bursa Malaysia Regulatory Updates and SME X Platform

Latest updates and amendments to Bursa Malaysia regulations and how SME X Platform can facilitate fundraising to support SMEs in their growth and business expansion.

Moderator

Panellists



Julian M Hashim

Chief Regulatory Officer,
Regulation, Bursa
Malaysia



Chong Kok Wai

Group Head, Legal
Compliance & Sustainability,
GHL Systems Berhad /
Lead Secretariat,
CEO Action Network



Nik Shahrizal Sulaiman

Partner, Risk Services,
PwC Malaysia



Rezy Izwan Ramly

Deputy Chief Executive
Officer (Corporate Services),
Suruhanjaya Syarikat
Malaysia



Wong Chiun Chiek

Director,
Bursa Intelligence,
Bursa Malaysia



10.15 am

Break and Networking at Virtual Exhibition Hall



10.45 am

PLENARY 8

Revolutionizing Business Operations in Malaysia with Mandatory Electronic Invoicing

In this session, LHDNM presents the shift to mandatory e-Invoicing on 1 August 2024, impact of e-invoicing on business and to discuss the implementation operational issues.

Moderator

Speaker



Soh Lian Seng

Partner, Head of
Tax KPMG & President,
Chartered Tax Institute
of Malaysia



Dr. Rasyidah Che Rosli

Director, e-Invoice Division,
Tax Operations Department,
Lembaga Hasil Dalam Negeri
Malaysia



11.30 am

PLENARY 9

Leveraging on Digital Solutions to Facilitate Good Governance Practices and Enhance Competitiveness

Professionals are leveraging on digital technologies to assist in their work and enhance competitiveness in their respective industries. This discussion delves into the impact of digitization on governance structures, practices and regulatory compliance. Discover the opportunities, benefits and fundamental risks involved in using these technologies as it may affect legal, fiduciary and other obligations to clients and other stakeholders.

Moderator

Panellists



Khuzairi Yahaya

Deputy Chief Executive
Officer (Registry & Business
Services), Suruhanjaya
Syarikat Malaysia



Justin J Anthony

Chief Executive Officer,
Malaysian Institute of
Chartered Secretaries and
Administrators

Ma Sivanesan Marimuthu
@ Muthiah

Deputy Secretary General
(Digital Development),
Ministry of Digital



Rasmimi Ramli

Executive Director,
Sustainability, Digital
Economy and Reporting,
Malaysian Institute of
Accountants

Sathish Mavath
Ramachandran

Representative of the
Bar Council Malaysia



01.00 pm | Lunch Break and Networking at Virtual Exhibition Hall

02.00 pm | **PLENARY 10**
AML/CFT Compliance - Fostering Corporate Transparency

Get updates on FATF MEE 2025, key findings on recommendations on NRA2023, scope of CA2016 and AML/CFT inspections and enforcements.

Moderator**Panellists****Aznorashiq Mohamed Zin**

Director,
Investigation Division,
Suruhanjaya Syarikat
Malaysia

**Elya Hani Hasnan**

Senior Supervisor,
Financial Intelligence
Enforcement Department,
Bank Negara Malaysia

**Muhamad Ezadee Lazan**

Senior Manager,
Compliance Division,
Suruhanjaya Syarikat
Malaysia



03.15 pm | Break and Networking at Virtual Exhibition Hall

03.45 pm | **PLENARY 11**
SSM Talks

- Malaysian Business Reporting System (MBRS) Updates
- Audit Exemption Criteria for Private Companies in Malaysia
- Limited Liability Partnerships (Amendment) Act 2024
- SSM Customer Care (SSMCC)

Moderator**Panellists****Muhamad Faris Othman**

Director, Registration
Services Division,
Suruhanjaya Syarikat
Malaysia

**Alfah Abdullah**

Senior Manager,
Marketing & Business
Development Division,
Suruhanjaya Syarikat
Malaysia

**Maznita Abdul Majid**

Senior Manager,
Registration Services Division,
Suruhanjaya Syarikat
Malaysia

**Mohamad Zainal
Abidin Ahmad**

Manager,
Regulatory Development &
Services Division,
Suruhanjaya Syarikat
Malaysia

**Yap Weng Seong**

Senior Manager,
Regulatory Development &
Services Division,
Suruhanjaya Syarikat
Malaysia



05.00 pm | End of SSM National Conference 2024



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- **Datuk Nor Azimah Abdul Aziz** is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Companies Commission of Malaysia (SSM). Prior to her appointment as CEO on 1 May 2020, she was the Deputy Chief Executive Officer (DCEO) of Regulatory & Enforcement and thereafter, DCEO of Corporate Services between 2016 and 2020. She joined SSM as General Manager of the Corporate Policy, Planning and Development Department in 2003. She started her career in 1992 as an Advocate and Solicitor and from there on served as a Law Lecturer at the Accounting Department, Faculty of Business and Management, National University of Malaysia (UKM). During her tenure with UKM, she was seconded to the Regulatory and Standards Department of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA).

She has extensive experience in law reform initiatives and oversaw the passing of significant pieces of legislations under the purview of SSM, among others, the Companies Act 2016, Interest Schemes Act 2016, Limited Liability Partnership Act 2012 and Companies (Amendment) Act 2007. She is currently a Board Member of the Audit Oversight Board (AOB), Board Member for the Integrity Officer Accreditation Board (LPIB), Board Member of the Financial Reporting Foundation (FRF), Member of the Approval and Implementation Committee of the Iskandar Regional Development Authority (IRDA), Board Member of the Labuan Financial Services Authority (Labuan FSA) and was elected as an Executive Committee member of the Corporate Registers Forum (CRF) which is an association of international corporate registries. In 2023, she was appointed as an Adjunct Professor at National University of Malaysia.

She obtained her Law Degree from ITM, now Universiti Teknologi MARA or UiTM and her Master of Laws (LLM in Business Law) from the University of Wales, Aberystwyth, United Kingdom.

- **Alfah Abdullah** obtained her Bachelor Degree in Multimedia Management (Hons) from University Multimedia Malaysia and has been an integral part of the Registrar of Companies since 2001. Currently, she oversees the Customer Relations Section in the Marketing and Business Development Division, Suruhanjaya Syarikat Malaysia. Throughout her tenure, she has held various roles spanning from Administration and Facilities, Information Services, Transformation Management, Business Development, Product Development to Customer Service Management.

In addition to her operational responsibilities, Alfah is deeply involved in numerous SSM projects, including the SSM Building Development Project, Store Management System, Administration System, Product and Business Initiative, Malaysian Biz Project, U-Customs project, Government-to-Government and Business-to-Business initiatives, as well as Customer Relationship Management.

January 2024 marked a significant milestone for SSM with the launch of its in-house contact centre, the SSM Customer Care (SSM CC). She led this initiative as the Project Owner, spearheading the establishment of a Customer Relationship Management (CRM) system to better serve SSM's customers and stakeholders.

- **Aznorashiq Mohamed Zin** is a Chartered Accountant and a Certified Fraud Examiner by profession. Driven by his passion for legal and regulatory enforcement, he takes pride in providing his contribution and leadership in the same capacity for approximately 25 years. He is currently holding the position of Investigation Director of the Suruhanjaya Syarikat Malaysia, which he was re-assigned to lead the Investigation Division again since 3rd August 2020. Prior to that, he was responsible to spearhead the establishment of a full-fledged investigation function as required by the act and led the division for 8 years from 2nd April 2007 to 15th of April 2015. Under his leadership, he has significantly enhanced the SSM's investigation approach and methodology, developed talents and solved various types of offenses committed under various laws under SSM's purview. As part of SSM's rotational exercise, he was assigned as the Corporate Compliance Director for 3 years since 1st July 2017 and had successfully raised SSM's corporate compliance rate and enhanced values through continuous awareness programs, effective surveillance, and enforcement efforts. Prior to his appointment at Corporate Compliance, he was the Registration Services Director for more than 2 years starting on the 15th of April 2015.

In addition to his official duties in SSM, he was appointed by the Ministry of Finance (MOF) as a Council Member of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA) on the 15th of October 2015. He also sits and is actively involved in various committees within MIA. Before his career in SSM, he was attached to the Securities Commission of Malaysia (SC) for 10 years under the Investigation Department of the SC as a Team Leader. He is a Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE) obtained from the Association of Certified Fraud Examiner (ACFE) in Austin Texas USA and a Chartered Accountant registered with the Malaysia Institute of Accountants (MIA). He holds a Master of Business Administration (MBA) specializing in Finance from the Centre for Post Graduate Studies, International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM). He obtained his Bachelor of Accounting (Hons) from the same university. He also shares his knowledge and experience by providing a series of coaching and training to several corporate and government law enforcement agencies all over Malaysia in the matters he is an expert and specialized in.

- ▶ **Azran Osman-Rani** is the Chief Executive Officer and co-founder of Naluri, a digital behavioural health company that addresses mental health and chronic diseases together, in a preventive, holistic and outcomes-based approach. Starting with just one intern, Naluri has grown to 200 employees serving over 100 corporate employers and insurers across five Southeast Asian markets in five years.

He was previously CEO of AirAsia X where he grew it from a business plan to a \$1billion IPO with 2,500 employees in six years, and CEO of iflix Malaysia which scaled to 20 million users in 20 markets in 3 years. He also held prior leadership roles at Astro, Bursa Malaysia and McKinsey & Company.

He holds a Masters in Management Science and a Bachelor's in Electrical Engineering, both from Stanford University. He chronicles his leadership challenges, failures and overcoming adversity in his book, '30 Days and 30 Years'. He is an Ironman triathlete.

- ▶ **Chong Kok Wai** is currently the Group Head for the Legal, Compliance & Sustainability department at GHL Systems Berhad. He has over 28 years of working experience in various sectors and industries. He is a seasoned legal and compliance professional with a passion for sustainability and innovation. He has been leading the legal compliance & sustainability function for GHL Systems Berhad, a Fintech company listed on the KLSE, since March 2021, covering the ASEAN region and Australia. Among the notable achievement is that he has launched the GHL's ESG framework and published their first Sustainability Report in 2021, steering their roadmap towards becoming an ESG-centric company. Focusing on key sustainability initiatives, he led the company to its successful inclusion in the Bursa Malaysia FTSE4Good Index and the FTSE4Good Shariah Index, a notable recognition in GHL's commitment to integrate ESG values into the business. Recently won Silver for the Most Improved Performance Over 3 Years at the prestigious The Edge ESG Award 2023.

Prior to joining GHL Systems Berhad, Kok Wai oversees the area of Legal and Compliance in a reputable REIT. He was also a practicing Advocate & Solicitor for 16 years specialising mainly in the areas of corporate banking litigation and conveyancing. He was also a registered Compliance Officer with the Securities Commission from 2016 to 2021. He started his career in Standard Chartered Bank Malaysia Berhad in the Legal Credit Risk and Loss Prevention department, where he was in charge of monitoring legal action against delinquent and charged off accounts, as well as the implementation of credit policy and budget planning. He was awarded the Best Customer Assistance Officer in 1998 at the Consumer Banking Conference.

Kok Wai has recently completed the University of Cambridge Flagship Prince of Wales Business and Sustainability Programme 2024 and he also holds a Bachelor of Laws (LLB Hons) from University of London and was admitted to the Malaysian Bar in 2001. He is an Associate Member of the Institute of Internal Auditors Malaysia (AIIA). He is also currently the Lead Secretariat of the CEO Action Network, a closed-door peer-to-peer informal network of CEOs and Board Members focusing on sustainability advocacy capacity building action and performance and also an Adjunct Mentor at the INTI International Universities & Colleges.

- ▶ **Darius Tay** is Director of BlackOak LLC, Singapore. One of the founders of BlackOak, Darius' work focuses on special situations, including both contentious and non-contentious aspects of corporate restructuring and insolvency ("CRI"), banking and finance as well as mergers and acquisitions for special situations. A key component of Darius' practice is advising various fund managers on both compliance and regulatory matters as well as issues arising from their investments and portfolio companies and working with various debtor companies.

As a separate component of Darius' practice, he works closely with various start-ups, especially those in the logistics field, advising them with all aspects of their business including regulatory and business contracts as well as assisting them with corporate governance and fund raising.

Darius was appointed to the Singapore Supreme Court's Young Amicus Curiae Scheme in 2014. He acted as amicus curiae in the only reported Singapore judgment on the issue of testamentary capacity regarding the disposal of one's Central Provident Fund (Singapore's national retirement savings plan) monies and was also part of the Insolvency Practitioners Association of Singapore's working committee on their amicus brief in *Kao Chai Chau Linda v Fong Wai Lyn Carolyn and Others* [2016] 1 SLR 21, a landmark Singapore decision on insolvency practitioners' remuneration.

Darius is a recognised rising star of the local CRI scene and he has been ranked in leading publications such as Asia Law, Chambers Asia Pacific, The Legal 500 Asia Pacific, Best Lawyers and IFLR 1000. Darius was recently recognized as AsiaLaw Profile's Rising Star 2022, IFLR Futures Leader 2021, Euromoney Expert's Guide Rising Star 2021.

- ▶ **Darren Kong** is an experienced board member, managing director and finance director of companies with diverse industry in automotive, manufacturing, property, technology & data analytics and investments management. He is passionate in helping organizations on growth strategies and operational excellence where currently he is a Programme Director for an Institute of Advisors. Also, presently a board member of Dutch Lady Milk Industries Berhad, a public listed company in Malaysia, sits on their audit, risk, nomination and remuneration committees.

Darren Kong is currently Founder & CEO of SMease.app, a boutique business advisory and professional services firm that provide various services in shaping the most effective, efficient and practical systems, operations and business processes for businesses that suits their expansion needs and capacity, leveraging on technology and IT solutions to curate the right infrastructure for the future of these businesses. His previous most recent position was Managing Director for Corporate Strategy & Alliance of an established multi-award-winning data technology provider that specializes in Analytics, Big Data, Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence, a position he held for 6 years until 2023.

Prior to venturing into the ICT sector, for over 15 years, he has held senior management and finance positions in industries covering property development, property management, manufacturing and the automotive industry. His area of work involves various organisations from enterprises to small businesses, establishing partnerships with trade and industrial associations and the private sectors. He had held directorships of several private, public and listed companies.

Darren Kong is a fellow member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA), a member of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA), a member of Certified Practising Accountant (CPA) Australia, a member of the Institute of Corporate Directors Malaysia (ICDM), a global associate member of Singapore Institute of Directors (SID), a member of the Institute of Advisors (IoA) and an associate member of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE). He graduated from Oxford Brookes University, the United Kingdom with a BSc (Hons) in Applied Accounting and a professional.

- ▶ **Ellina Roslan** is Bachelor of Education holder from the United Kingdom with over 25 years of experience in corporate communications, branding, marketing and senior management roles in various industries including pharmaceuticals, logistics, public relations consultancy, franchise business, ICT, telecommunications and automotive. Responsible for overseeing and driving strategic initiatives in Strategic Communications and 2 key divisions under MYCentre4IR - Energy Transition and Digital Transformation.

- ▶ **Elya Hani Hasnan** is currently a senior supervisor in Designated Non-Financial Businesses and Professions (DNFBP) supervision division and leads the adoption of Suptech initiatives. She has worked in various capacities through different divisions in Financial Intelligence and Enforcement Department, Bank Negara Malaysia. Prior to joining the DNFBPs team focusing on AML/CFT/CPF supervision on the DNFBP and Non-Bank Financial Institutions, she was largely involved in driving and overseeing the implementation of technology in supporting the work of financial intelligence.

- ▶ **Fazilah Yusof**, an Executive Coach at Naluri. She delivers insightful and transformative coaching for professionals at all career levels. Her personalized and strategic approach empowers individuals to navigate challenges and achieve their professional goals. With 33 years of Human Resources functional experience across sectors like oil & gas, financial services, and GLCs, helming roles such as Chief HR Officer, she brings deep industry knowledge and practical insights to her coaching. Accredited as a Senior Professional in Human Resources International (SPHRI) and a Certified Master Performance Coach (CMPC), Fazilah's ability to inspire and drive meaningful change positions her as a catalyst for cultivating strong, effective leaders in any organization.

- ▶ **Julian M Hashim**, an advocate & solicitor of the High Court of Malaysia, was a founder partner of a leading Kuala Lumpur law firm. In his 25 odd years of legal practice, Julian advised on all aspects of corporate transactional work including international and domestic M&As, take overs and capital market transactions. Julian also advised his clients on their on-going reporting obligations, corporate governance requirements and other compliance matters. As the Chief Regulatory Officer of the Exchange, Julian and his team at Bursa Regulation undertakes regulatory functions of Bursa Malaysia Berhad and its licensed subsidiaries ranging from regulatory strategies and policies, listing, market and corporate surveillance, governance and sustainability, participant supervision, investigation and enforcement.

Julian is also the Chair of Sub-Committee 2: Governance & Disclosures of the Joint Committee on Climate Change (JC3) as well as a member of the newly established Advisory Committee on Sustainability Reporting (ACSR), a national-level committee set up to support the implementation of the IFRS sustainability disclosure standards (ISSB Standards) in the country.

- ▶ **Justin J Anthony** is the current Chief Executive Officer at The Malaysian Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators (MAICSA), the leading professional body for corporate secretaries in Malaysia. In this role, he oversees the overall management of the organization, leads a team of experienced professionals, and executes strategies and policies to ensure MAICSA's goals and objectives are achieved.

Prior to joining MAICSA, Justin served as Executive Director for over ten years at PIKOM, The National Tech Association of Malaysia. In this role, he played a crucial role in driving strategic initiatives for the tech industry, particularly in areas such as Global Business Services (GBS), e-commerce, cybersecurity, and other special interest groups. Justin brings more than 30 years of diverse work experience in fields such as finance and accounting, management of turnkey projects, project management, business development, and industry development.

Justin strongly believes in advocating collaboration and industry partnerships, and has established strategic alliances with various associations, academia, and relevant industry bodies to create viable ecosystems between the industry and academia, as well as between the private and public sectors. He is also an Associate of the Association of International Accountants (AIA) (UK).

- ▶ **Lee Shih** is the Managing Partner of Lim Chee Wee Partnership, a boutique firm focusing on commercial disputes and insolvency. Lee Shih acts in liquidations, schemes of arrangement, receivership and corporate rescue matters. He has acted as counsel for several cross-border restructurings and liquidations involving billions of Ringgit of debt. The legal directories have described him as "well regarded for his expertise in company law, as well as restructuring and insolvency cases" (Chambers Asia Pacific) and as "a rising star and a confident advocate, who gives sound commercial advice" (Legal 500 Asia Pacific). He is a Council member of the Insolvency Practitioners Association of Malaysia. His textbook on 'Companies Act 2016: The New Dynamics of Company Law in Malaysia', which he co-authored, has been cited in Malaysian court decisions on company law and corporate insolvency.

- ▶ **Liz Kamaruddin** is a seasoned communications specialist with over 30 years of experience in Malaysia and international markets. Liz is recognized for her ability to create sophisticated reputation management campaigns and innovative strategies for major companies.

Liz's strong dedication to education and professional development underscores her contribution to the Multimedia University assisting in designing the Bachelor's Degree of Strategic Communications. She is now the first Adjunct Professor for the Faculty inspiring the institution to establish the "PERMATA Liz Kamaruddin - Communication Excellence Award" for its top communications student. Liz further enhances her educational influence as a member of the Board of Studies for the Masters in Strategic Communication programme.

Liz also holds Independent Non-Executive Director roles in three public-listed companies, demonstrating her expertise and leadership in the communications field. Her remarkable career trajectory reinforces her exceptional skills, innovative strategies, and relentless pursuit of excellence in strategic communication and reputation management.

- ▶ **Maznita Abdul Majid** graduated with Accounting (Hons) from Universiti Teknologi MARA and has been with Registrar of Companies since the year 2001. She is currently heading the e-Services Management Section in Registration Service Division and was previously served in Corporate Directors Training Programme Unit, Investment, Loans and Budgeting Unit and Compliance Division. Apart from that, she is one of the panel for Auditor's Licensing interview since 2004 with the Ministry of Finance (MOF) and heavily involved with the eXtensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL) project in Malaysia since 2010.

- ▶ **Michele Kythe Lim** brings with her a wide spectrum of leadership and advisory experience, over a career spanning 30 years, particularly on corporate governance-related matters, which includes board evaluation, director development and education, remuneration and succession planning, legal and compliance, sustainability and corporate performance. Under her leadership, ICDM has embarked on a series of director development programmes, board advisory services, as well as research and advocacy projects to support the Securities Commission Malaysia (SC)'s vision to build and strengthen the country's corporate governance culture. She works closely with boards, the director community, regulators, and other key stakeholders in the corporate governance ecosystem to enhance board and director effectiveness and professionalism in Malaysia. ICDM currently serves a wide range of clients from both the government and the private sectors, from public-listed companies to small and medium enterprises.

Prior to her current role, Michele had held senior leadership and board positions in IHH Healthcare Berhad and Proton Holdings Berhad group companies. At IHH Healthcare Berhad, she was also a member of a subsidiary board, as well as the Chief Sustainability Officer leading the sustainability reporting and practices for the Group.

Michele holds a LLB Hons degree from the University of Wales, Aberystwyth, UK (1991) and is a Barrister-at-Law at Middle Temple, London, England. She completed the Senior Management Development Programme of Harvard Business School in 2009 and is also a Licensed Company Secretary.

- ▶ **Mohamad Zainal Abidin Ahmad** is Manager at the Regulatory Review and Development Section in the Regulatory Development and Services Division of Suruhanjaya Syarikat Malaysia. He is part of the team that involve in the drafting of Companies (Amendment) Bill 2023. He was called to the Malaysian Bar in 2007 and has accumulate experience in handling Civil Litigation matters.

- ▶ **Muhamad Ezadee Lazan** is a Chartered Accountant and Certified Financial Investigator. He graduated with Master in Forensic Accounting & Financial Criminology. He has been active in various sub-committees under the National Coordination Committee to Counter Money Laundering. He is currently heading the Corporate Intermediaries Section under the Corporate Compliance Division, Suruhanjaya Syarikat Malaysia.

- ▶ **Muhamad Faris Othman** graduated with a law degree from Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia in 1992. He obtained his Master's degree in law from University of Malaya, in 1997. Faris practiced as an Advocate and Solicitor of the High Court of Malaya from 1993 to 2004. He joined SSM as the Head of the Legal Section in October 2004. He was the Director of Marketing and Business Development Division, SSM (2010 -2015), Director of Investigation Division, SSM (2015 - 2017), Director of Registration Services Division, SSM (2017-2019) and Director of SSM's Training Academy (COMTRAC) & Knowledge Management Division (2019-2024). Faris is now Director of the Registration Services Division since April 2024.

- ▶ **Nadia S Hassan** has been a business journalist and broadcaster for more than a decade. She has worked for well-known business news organisations including The Edge, BFM and the News Straits Times covering the dealings of Corporate Malaysia. During her time she has interviewed a number of high-ranking CEOs including Tan Sri Tony Fernandes, Tan Sri Liew Kee Sin and Tan Sri Syed Zainal Abidin. She was part of the team that brought AirAsia X Bhd successfully to market. She has moderated various events for The Edge, ICDM, and MIDA, among others.

She is a graduate of the University of Cardiff, Wales with a BSc in Economics.

- ▶ **Nik Shahrizal Sulaiman** is a Risk Assurance Partner at PwC Malaysia and has over 20 years of experience in the assurance and advisory profession. He has been involved in a wide range of sustainability-related engagements, including climate risk assessments, ESG frameworks, TCFD disclosures, GHG emissions, and sustainability assurance. Nik is an invitee to the JC3 subcommittee established by Bank Negara Malaysia and the Securities Commission and has participated in various initiatives in the industry. He is also a frequent speaker on the topic of ESG and sustainability and has authored several articles on the subject. He holds a MBA from University of Cambridge, Chartered Accountant (ICAEW), Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA), Financial Risk Manager, Global Association of Risk Professionals (FRM), Pasaran Kewangan Malaysia Certificate (PKMC) and Accounting and Finance from Lancaster University.

- ▶ **Norhaiza Jemon** is Director of Corporate Compliance Division of Suruhanjaya Syarikat Malaysia since 15 April 2024. Prior to her current position, she headed the Regulatory Development & Services Division.

She is vastly experienced in regulatory policies through the review of legislations under the purview of CCM such as the introduction of the Limited Liability Partnerships Act 2016, the Companies Act 2016 and the Interest Scheme Act 2016. She played key role in the introduction of regulatory framework for the beneficial ownership reporting for legal persons through the amendments to the Companies Act 2016 and the Limited Liability Partnerships Act 2012. The Companies (Amendment) Act 2024 which was passed in December 2023 whilst the Limited Liability Partnerships (Amendment) Bill 2024 is currently pending debate in the Dewan Rakyat.

- ▶ **Norhaslinda Salleh** joined the Suruhanjaya Syarikat Malaysia (SSM) in January 2004. Currently she is the Director of Regulatory Development and Services Division since April 2024 where she manages and oversees the law reform initiatives towards creating a modern and conducive business environment in Malaysia through the review of legislations under the purview of SSM. Amongst the initiatives that she is currently managing are the revamp/amendment of the Trust Companies Act 1949, the Registration of Businesses Act 1956 and the introduction of a new legislation for secured transactions in Malaysia. Prior to her current portfolio, she was the Director of the Registration Services Division (June 2023-March 2024) where she oversaw and managed the core operations function of SSM which comprise of all aspects of registration of companies and limited liabilities partnerships.

Her previous portfolios as Senior Manager were managing Insolvency Section (2015-2023) i.e. process and procedure of striking off, winding up, management of asset of dissolved companies and limited liability partnerships and overseeing the process and procedure relating to the Corporate Rescue Mechanisms (Judicial Management & Corporate Voluntary Arrangement) of companies, managing Corporate Planning Section (2011-2014) i.e. the strategic planning and project management of SSM and managing the Law Reform, Policy & International Affairs Section (2004-2015) i.e. the reform of the laws under the purview of SSM, drafting amendments to the laws, policy guidelines, practice directives and practice notes. Prior to joining SSM in January 2004, Norhaslinda Salleh was in private legal practice where she was largely responsible in handling civil and commercial litigations since 1992.

- ▶ **Rasmimi Ramli** is responsible for the technical functions on financial reporting and taxation in MIA. She is currently the technical advisor of the International Public Sector Accounting Standards Board (IPSASB). She sits on the MFRS Application and Implementation Committee (MAIC) and the Government Accounting Standards Advisory Committee (GASAC). She was an auditor with major firms in the UK and Malaysia and was an internal auditor with Maxis Berhad. Rasmimi is a member of MIA and a fellow member of ACCA. She graduated from University of Wales, Cardiff, UK.

- ▶ **Dr. Rasyidah Che Rosli** is currently the Director of e-Invoice Division, Tax Operations Department, Inland Revenue Board of Malaysia (HASiL). She has served with HASiL for more than 17 years and been involved in various field including e-Invoicing implementation in IRBM, tax compliance for corporate and individuals as well as being involved with the implementation of data analytics. She has co-authored 2 publications on tax and has presented at tax conferences locally and internationally. Dr. Rasyidah has a PhD in Accounting (Taxation) and holds a Master in Forensic Accounting & Financial Criminology and a Degree in Accounting.

- ▶ **Rezy Izwan Ramly** was appointed as Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Corporate Services), Suruhanjaya Syarikat Malaysia in March 2024. The portfolio under his supervision is Human Capital Division, Finance and Accounts Division, Administration, Procurement & Infrastructure Division, Training & Knowledge Management Academy Division and State Office Operations Section. He started serving at SSM as the Head of the Prosecution Section in the Prosecution and Litigation Division in 2010. Then in February 2014, he was appointed as the Director of the Corporate Compliance Division and in July 2017, he was appointed as the Director of the Investigation Division. Then in June 2020 he was promoted to Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Registration & Business Services). He started his career as a Senior Prosecuting Officer at the Securities Commission. He has 13 years of experience in conducting criminal prosecution related to white collar crime cases. Rezy Izwan Ramly graduated LLB (Hons.) from the University of Warwick, United Kingdom in 1998 and obtained the Certificate of Legal Practice (CLP) in 2000. He is also a Certified Financial Investigators (CFIs).

- ▶ **Sathish Mavath Ramachandran** read Law and graduated in 1992 from the University of Kent at Canterbury. He qualified, in 1993, as a Barrister from Middle Temple. He was admitted to and enrolled as an Advocate & Solicitor of the High Court of Malaya in 1994. Apart from corporate advisory, governance, and compliance work, his expertise and experience include venture capital and private equity investments; mergers and acquisitions; corporate finance and capital markets; property and construction; technology; conveyancing and banking. He has over 30 years of extensive experience in corporate and commercial law.

He is currently a member of the Bar Council's Conveyancing Practice Committee; Corporate and Commercial Law Committee; Cyber and Privacy Laws Committee; Legal Technologies, Artificial Intelligence & Sandbox Committee; Ad-Hoc Committee on Personal Data Protection; Ageing Rights Advisory Committee.

He is a member of the Corporate & Conveyancing Practice Committee, and Professional Development Committee of the Kuala Lumpur Bar. He is a member of the Advocates and Solicitors Disciplinary Board, a statutory regulator. He is a member of MAICSA's Disciplinary Committee investigation group.

- ▶ **Sherman Lam** is a Chartered Accountant of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants, a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants, United Kingdom, a Fellow of CPA Australia, a Chartered Member of the Institute of Internal Auditors of Malaysia, a Member of the Institute of Corporate Directors Malaysia and a CFP™ Certified Member of the Financial Planning Association of Malaysia. Sherman also holds a Master's degree in Business Administration (Finance) from Charles Sturt University, Australia and have completed the ESG and Sustainable Financial Strategy program by Said Business School, University of Oxford and AICPA.

Sherman started his career in 1994 with Fulton Prebon (M) Sdn. Bhd., a financial services joint-venture between Seacorp (a PNB company) and Prebon Yamane of Japan. He then joined the Treasury Division of Utama Merchant Bank Berhad, (an investment bank jointly owned by Utama Banking Group Berhad and HSBC Investment Bank Asia Ltd) in 1997, eventually taking on the position of Chief Dealer and Treasury Manager. Thereafter in mid-2000, he joined Nikkei Pacific Corporate Advisors, then a leading regional corporate finance advisory firm as an Associate Director where he advised on several large corporate restructuring and capital raising exercises in both Indonesia and Malaysia. From 2002 to 2020, Sherman was the Managing Director of Cirrus Ventures group, a regional venture capital investments and corporate strategic consulting firm.

He has more than 25 years of demonstrated, broad-based senior management experience in corporate advisory, treasury management, capital markets, corporate finance and the private investment markets as well as corporate board experience in listed public and privately held entities in Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia and China. Sherman is currently the Managing Partner of Sherman Lam & Co, a Chartered Accountant firm and the current Deputy Secretary-General of the China-ASEAN (Malaysia) Entrepreneurs Association.

Lam currently serves as an Independent Non-Executive Director on the Board of Gadang Holdings Berhad and as the Senior Independent Non-Executive Director of Hiap Teck Venture Berhad, chairing the Audit Committee of both the entities. He also sits on the Nomination and Remuneration Committee (NRC) as well as the Sustainability and Risk Management Committee (SRMC) of the above-mentioned listed entities.

- ▶ **Victor Saw** is the Head of Business Restructuring Services and Operations Leader at PwC Malaysia. Bringing 32 years of experience with him, Victor specialises in crisis management work with a particular focus on creating value for all the stakeholders in a distressed environment. Some of his work involves dispute resolution, insolvency, investigations, corporate and debt restructuring with various exposures to a wide range of clients in various industries such as plantation, timber, property development, investment holding, manufacturing, financial services, trading, hospitality and national airline. Victor holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree from University of Newcastle, Australia. He is also a licenced Insolvency Practitioner from Ministry of Finance (MOF) and Labuan Financial Services Authority (LFSA).

- ▶ **Wong Chiun Chiek** is the Director of Bursa Intelligence, the function of the Malaysia Exchange that oversees the digital, data and connectivity solutions business for the Group, and also leads the commercial strategy to facilitate the transition to sustainability of the wider ecosystem including listed companies and their supply chain, regulators and financial institutions, via strategic cross-Exchange collaboration, corporate programmes, governmental engagements, sustainable finance initiatives and the FTSE4Good-Bursa Malaysia franchise. This endeavour aims to harness the convergence of data, digital and sustainability capabilities, to facilitate a cost-efficient transition journey for Corporates and SMEs in the economy, in a manner which maximizes tangible business value creation. As the Head of Bursa Intelligence, CC manages Information Services, Index & Sustainable Business, Enterprise Data Transformation covering data governance, acquisition and analytics, as well as the overall technological architecture and go-to-market of new digital ventures.

Prior to joining Bursa, CC was previously the Chief Financial Officer and Chief Strategy Officer cum Software Solutions and Cloud Dealmaker for IBM Malaysia, while serving as the Director of three business entities. His experiences include extensive regional and globally roles across multiple business disciplines and functions.

- **Yap Weng Seong** is a Fellow Member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA), United Kingdom, and a member of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA). He also holds a “Certification in Training” certificate awarded by Pembangunan Sumber Manusia Berhad and Certificate IV in Training and Assessment awarded by Management Consultancy International Pty Ltd, Australia.

Yap started his career with an international professional firm specialising in auditing, accounting and business advisory services. Thereafter, he joined the Royal Malaysian Customs as Superintendent of Customs in the Licensing and Enforcement sections before returning to the private sector as a Financial Controller where he gained valuable knowledge and skills in the areas of administration, finance and accounting. He subsequently joined Lembaga Hasil Dalam Negeri Malaysia (LHDNM) as Assistant Director to further his career.

At LHDNM, he had wide exposure and knowledge in personal and corporate tax, tax audit, withholding tax and compliance tax at the Corporate Tax and Withholding Tax sections. He was also appointed by LHDNM as a Prosecuting Officer to conduct civil proceedings in Malaysian courts pursuant to the Income Tax Act 1967. Presently, Yap serves as an Advisor to the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board and a member of the Public Practice Committee as well as an observer at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board at the Malaysian Institute of Accountants. He has more than 35 years of working experience in a wide range of industries.

He is currently the Senior Manager of the Regulatory Review and Development Section in the Regulatory Development and Services Division of Suruhanjaya Syarikat Malaysia.

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