

# National Statistics Conference 2012 (MyStats 2012): Enhancing National Statistics to Meet Public and Private Sectors Needs during a Period of Transformation

Wednesday, 7 November 2012

Venue: Forum Hall, Sasana Kijang, Bank Negara Malaysia

## I. Conference Programme

Time	Programme
08:30	Registration and Refreshment
09:00	Opening Remarks <i>Y.Bhg. Dato' Muhammad Ibrahim, Timbalan Gabenor, BNM</i>
09:10	Keynote Address <i>Dr. Haji Abdul Rahman Hasan, Chief Statistician, Department of Statistics Malaysia</i>
09:30	<p><b>Session 1:</b> <b>Statistical Best Practices Towards Improving Data Integrity</b></p> <p><b>Objective:</b> This session will discuss best practices and methodology adopted by national and international organisations in data management to ensure quality, accessibility, security and usability.</p> <p><b>Topics:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Best practices for compilation of national statistics: where are we? (Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin, DOSM)</i></li> <li><i>International best practices to ensure data credibility (Mr. Paul Van den Bergh, Bank for International Settlements)</i></li> </ol> <p><i>Discussant (En. Mohd Esa Abd. Manaf, Ministry of Finance)</i> <i>Chairperson (Dr. Yogeessvaran a/l Kumaraguru, Economic Planning Unit)</i></p>
10:30	Coffee Break
11:00	<p><b>Session 2:</b> <b>Promoting Data Sharing and Communication of Statistics</b></p> <p><b>Objective:</b> This session will allow users to share their experiences in the usage of data for analysis and policy making, highlight potential for greater collaboration and data sharing between compilers and users, and improve communication of statistics.</p>

	<p><b>Topics:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>Data sharing and communication of statistics, the Korean experience (Mr. Joon Jung, Bank of Korea)</i></li> <li>2. <i>Maximising the value of data through greater data sharing between public and private sectors (En. Suhaimi Ilias, Maybank Investment Bank)</i></li> <li>3. <i>Enhancing communication of statistics for better understanding of economic and financial conditions (Dr. Yeah Kim Leng, RAM Holdings Bhd.)</i></li> <li>4. <i>Existing legislations on data privacy: A challenge to data sharing? (Prof. Abu Bakar Munir, University of Malaya)</i></li> </ol> <p><i>Discussant (En. Manokaran Mottain, Alliance Investment Bank)</i>  <i>Chairperson (Prof. Dr. Kamarulzaman Ibrahim, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia)</i></p>
13:00	Lunch
14:00	<p><b>Session 3:</b>  <b>Bridging Statistical Gaps During a Period of Transformation</b></p> <p><b>Objective:</b>  This session provides opportunity for users and compilers to discuss limitations and challenges faced in the usage of data and identify data gaps that need to be addressed during a period of transformation and beyond.</p> <p><b>Topics:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>Gaps in socio-economic and financial market data for analysis and policy formulation (En. Lee Heng Guie, CIMB Investment Bank)</i></li> <li>2. <i>Statistical data for appropriate poverty measurements and policy for eradication: a Malaysian case (En. Mohamed Saladin Abdul Rasool, Universiti Teknologi MARA)</i></li> <li>3. <i>Property indicators: Sufficient for policy makers and investors? (Y.Bhg. Dato' Fateh Iskandar Mohamed Mansor, REHDA)</i></li> <li>4. <i>Labour and employment: Are existing statistics facilitate planning of human capital for economic transformation? (En. Anthony Raja Devadoss, Kelly Services Malaysia)</i></li> </ol> <p><i>Discussant (Prof. Dr. Ahmad Zubaidi Baharumshah, Universiti Putra Malaysia)</i>  <i>Chairperson (Dr. Nungsari Ahmad Radhi, Khazanah Nasional Bhd.)</i></p>
15:45	Coffee Break
16:15	<p><b>Panel Discussion:</b>  <b>New Data Requirements and Standards for a Transformed Economy</b></p> <p><b>Objective:</b>  As a concluding session for compilers and users to discuss and call for action to compile credible and representative new data to meet users' needs for analysis and policy formulation in a transformed economy.</p>

**Areas:**

1. *What are the new data required?*
2. *What can compilers and users do to pre-empt new data needs?*
3. *How can private sector help to identify and meet new data requirement?*
4. *What are the best practices to improve data integrity and communication of statistics?*

*Panellist (1. Dr. Yeah Kim Leng, RAM Holdings Bhd, 2. Prof. Dr. Rajah a/l Rasiah, University of Malaya, 3. Mr. Barry Porter, Bloomberg Business News, 4. Dr. Roumiana Gantcheva, UNICEF, 5. En. Fraziali bin Ismail, Bank Negara Malaysia)*

*Chairperson (Pn. Zubaidah Bt. Ismail, DOSM)*

**II. Information for Chairpersons**

The Chairpersons of the sessions are responsible for organising the sessions within the period of time allocated to the sessions. The Chairpersons are invited to provide introductory remarks and a brief introduction to each of the Speakers. They should invite questions from the conference participants and facilitate short replies from the Speakers within the period of time allocated to the session.

**III. Information for Speakers**

The Speakers are expected to prepare a paper of about 10 pages of which will be published as conference proceedings and presentation slides of about 20 minutes.

**Important dates:**

Submission of abstract	By 25 September 2012
Submission of final paper	By 15 October 2012
Submission of presentation slides	By 30 October 2012
Conference	07 November 2012

**Guidelines for submission of papers:**

- The cover page should contain the title, authors' names, affiliations, telephone numbers and email addresses;
- The abstract and paper should be written using Microsoft Word Document with Arial font, font size 12 and 1.5 spacing;
- The abstract should be limited to 250 words; paper should be around 10 pages;
- Footnotes should be numbered consecutively in the text;

- Illustrations, figures and tables should be numbered in Arabic numerals, accompanied by titles and sources; and
- All submissions are to be emailed to:

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#### IV. Information for Discussants

The Discussants are expected to provide written comments or presentation slides on the papers presented in the session.

##### Important dates:

Provide final paper to discussant	By 15 October 2012
Submission of written comments or presentation slides	By 31 October 2012
Conference	07 November 2012