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**Monday, 18 November 2013**

**Venue: Sasana Kijang, Bank Negara Malaysia**

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| 08:30                       | Registration and Refreshment<br>Venue: Pre-Function Conference Hall 1, Ground Floor and Pre-Function Auditorium, Lower Ground Floor   |   |
| 09:00                       | (Doa recital)<br>Opening Remarks<br>Dr. Haji Abdul Rahman Hasan, Chief Statistician, Department of Statistics Malaysia<br>Venue: Auditorium, Lower Ground Floor   |   |
| 09:10                       | Keynote Address<br>YB Senator Dato' Sri Abdul Wahid Omar, Minister in the Prime Minister's Department, Malaysia<br>Venue: Auditorium, Lower Ground Floor  |   |
| 09:30                       | Group Photo Session / Coffee Break<br>Venue: Pre-Function Conference Hall 1, Ground Floor / Pre-Function Auditorium, Lower Ground Floor   |   |
| 09:45                       | Overview on role and initiatives of International Statistical Institute (ISI)<br>Prof. Dr. Vijayan N. Nair, ISI President<br>Venue: Auditorium, Lower Ground Floor  |   |
| 10:00                       | <b>Session 1: New Statistics for Better Surveillance and Policy Action</b><br>This session provides opportunity for participants to discuss the current challenges faced by global and domestic economy and needs for new statistics and innovation in compilation to support analysis, surveillance and policy responses.<br><b>Chairperson:</b> Marzunisham Omar, Assistant Governor, Bank Negara Malaysia<br><b>Topics (Speakers):</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Global financial and economic crises: Lag in statistics or slow in policy actions?<br/>(<i>Per Nymand-Andersen, European Central Bank</i>)</li><li>Statistics after the financial crisis: Response to new data demands and data gaps.<br/>(<i>Dr. He Qi, International Monetary Fund</i>)</li><li>Strengthening statistical compilation and usage of relevant statistics in Malaysia.<br/>(<i>Abd. Latib Talib, Department of Statistics Malaysia</i>)</li></ol> <b>Discussant:</b> 'Allauddin Haji Anuar, Economic Planning Unit, Prime Minister's Department, Malaysia<br>Venue: Auditorium, Lower Ground Floor |   |
| 11:15                       | Coffee Break<br>Venue: Pre-Function Auditorium, Lower Ground Floor and Pre-Function Forum, Level 1  |   |
| 11:30<br>(Parallel Session) | <b>Session 2(A): Innovation in Analysis and Statistics</b><br>This session will allow participants to discuss the new analytical perspectives and the relevant statistics to facilitate appropriate understanding on the state of economy and identification of relevant policy measures for economic development and sustainable growth.   | <b>Session 2(B): Leveraging on Statistical Methods and Scientific Approaches for Better Analysis</b><br>This session will discuss the statistical methods and scientific approaches that could be adopted by analysts, economists and policy makers in assessing the economic and financial conditions as well as the associated risks. Some researches based on these methodologies or approaches would also be shared during the session. |

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| <p><b>Chairperson:</b> Dr. Sivabalasingam A/L Veerasingam, Institut Tadbiran Awam Negara</p> <p><b>Topics (Speakers):</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Compilation and management of labor market statistics for macroeconomic analysis at the U.S Bureau of Labor Statistics.<br/><i>(Dr. John L. Eltinge, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics)</i></li> <li>2. Economic Transformation Programme: Understanding the progress through data and indicators.<br/><i>(Ku Kok Peng, The Performance Management and Delivery Unit, Prime Minister's Department, Malaysia)</i></li> <li>3. Domestic demand-driven growth: Analysis perspective and statistics needed.<br/><i>(Dr. Yeah Kim Leng, RAM Holdings Berhad)</i></li> <li>4. Measuring core inflation: The Malaysian case.<br/><i>(Mohd Helmi Ramlee, Bank Negara Malaysia)</i></li> </ol> <p><b>Discussant:</b> Sia Ket Ee, Hong Leong Investment Bank Berhad</p> <p>Venue: Auditorium, Lower Ground Floor</p> | <p><b>Chairperson:</b> Dr. Kwek Kian Teng, University of Malaya</p> <p><b>Topics (Speakers):</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. An overview on the statistical methods for economic research and risk assessment.<br/><i>(Dr. Lau Wee Yeap, University of Malaya)</i></li> <li>2. Aggregate financing to the real economy.<br/><i>(Dr. Sheng Songcheng, People's Bank of China)</i></li> <li>3. Measurement and contribution of total factor productivity to economic growth.<br/><i>(Dr. Noorasiah Sulaiman, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia)</i></li> <li>4. Estimating Malaysia's output gap: Have we closed the gap?<br/><i>(Dr. Nur Ain Shahrier, Bank Negara Malaysia)</i></li> </ol> <p><b>Discussant:</b> Alan Tan Chew Leong, Affin Investment Bank Berhad</p> <p>Venue: Forum, Level 1</p>   |
| <p>13:00 Lunch</p> <p>Venue: Conference Hall 1, Ground Floor and Conference Hall 2, Lower Ground Floor</p>   |  |
| <p>14:00 (Parallel Session)</p> <p><b>Session 3(A): New Horizon for Financial and Economic Statistics</b></p> <p>This session provides a platform for users and compilers to discuss new statistical developments and potential for compilation of non-conventional data to better understand the financial and economic conditions in a dynamic and challenging environment.</p> <p><b>Chairperson:</b> Dr. Mohd Gazali Abas, Economic Planning Unit, Prime Minister's Department, Malaysia</p> <p><b>Topics (Speakers):</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Going beyond GDP: Social wellbeing and happiness indicators.<br/><i>(Dr. Dahlia Rosly, Ministry of Urban Wellbeing, Housing and Local Government)</i></li> <li>2. Transcending the traditional approach through satellite accounts.<br/><i>(Zubaidah Ismail, Department of</i></li> </ol>  | <p><b>Session 3(B): Application of Technology in Transforming Malaysia's Statistical Landscape</b></p> <p>This session provides an opportunity for compilers and users to discuss and share knowledge on the adoption and application of technology for data sourcing and processing. The participants will also discuss ways to improve data management and provision of statistical services via IT facilities and tools.</p> <p><b>Chairperson:</b> Sabri Omar, Department of Statistics Malaysia</p> <p><b>Topics (Speakers):</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Going beyond the traditional mode of business: Statistics from internet.<br/><i>(Dr. Qing Wu, Google Inc.)</i></li> <li>2. Leveraging on Business Intelligence tools for micro- and macro-data analysis and research.<br/><i>(Tai Yoon Foong, Bank Negara Malaysia)</i></li> </ol> |

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|               | <p><i>Statistics Malaysia)</i></p> <p>3. Big data analytics: The next frontier for economic and financial analysis.<br/>(<i>Bob Chua, Pulse Group PLC</i>)</p> <p>4. Monitoring shadow banking and its challenges: The Malaysian experience.<br/>(<i>Muhamad Amar Mohd Farid, Bank Negara Malaysia</i>)</p> <p><b>Discussant:</b> Prof. Dr. Santha Vaithilingam, Monash University</p> <p>Venue: Auditorium, Lower Ground Floor</p>   | <p>3. Addressing statistical gaps in a dynamic payment environment.<br/>(<i>Yee Chee May, Bank Negara Malaysia</i>)</p> <p>4. Location based statistics: Knowing your place.<br/>(<i>Wan Razali Matsah, Telekom Malaysia Berhad</i>)</p> <p>Venue: Forum, Level 1</p> |
| 15:30         | Coffee Break<br>Venue: Pre-Function Auditorium, Lower Ground Floor  |   |
| 15:45 - 17:15 | <p><b>Panel Discussion: Innovation in Statistics and Analysis for Responsive Policy Action</b></p> <p>As a concluding session for compilers and users to discuss and call for actions to compile relevant and representative new data to meet users' needs for analysis and policy formulation.</p> <p><b>Chairperson:</b> Prof. Dato' Dr. Abdul Halim Mohd Nawawi, Universiti Teknologi MARA</p> <p><b>Areas:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. What are the key challenges involved in compiling new statistics?</li><li>2. How can the use of non-conventional data be encouraged?</li><li>3. What can the compilers and users do to promote greater innovation in data analysis?</li><li>4. How should statisticians collaborate with policy-makers to identify relevant statistics for pre-emptive policy analysis?</li></ol> <p><b>Panellists:</b> Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin, Department of Statistics Malaysia<br/>Suhaimi Ilias, Maybank Investment Bank Berhad<br/>Dr. Zakariah Abdul Rashid, Malaysian Institute of Economic Research<br/>Dr. Norhana Endut, Bank Negara Malaysia</p> <p>Venue: Auditorium, Lower Ground Floor</p> |   |

## General Information

**Parking** Ample parking at LG5 with a flat parking rate of RM3.00

**Conference materials** [http://www.bnm.gov.my/index.php?ch=en\\_publication\\_catalogue&pg=en\\_publication\\_CONFERENCE&ac=13&lang=en](http://www.bnm.gov.my/index.php?ch=en_publication_catalogue&pg=en_publication_CONFERENCE&ac=13&lang=en)  
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