EURO CONFERENCE:
EXPANDING ASEAN-EU ECONOMIC LINKS
- THE ROLE OF THE EURO

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PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY 13 JULY

20:00 **Welcome Dinner (hosted by the European Commission)**
Welcoming Remarks
H. E. Bruce Elliot Cleghorn, High Commissioner of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, representing the Presidency of the EU Council of Ministers
Keynote Address
Mr. José Manuel González-Páramo, Member of the Executive Board of the European Central Bank

THURSDAY 14 JULY

09:00-09:30 **Registration**

09:30-09:45 **Opening Of Conference**
Welcoming Remarks
- *H. E. Ambassador Thierry Rommel, Head of the EU Commission Delegation to Malaysia*
- *Tan Sri Dato' Sri Dr. Zeti Akhtar Aziz, Governor, Bank Negara Malaysia*

09:45-10:15 **Keynote Address on 'How the Economic and Monetary Union has changed the Global Economic Landscape'**
Mr. Klaus Regling, Director General, Directorate General for Economic and Financial Affairs, European Commission

10:15-10:45 **Coffee Break & Press Conference**

Session I: Functioning of the European Economic and Monetary Union (EMU)
Chaired by Ms. Pervenche Berès, Chairwoman of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, European Parliament

10:45-11:15 ***(a)*** **Financial Stability and Policy Challenges in the EMU**
Mr. José Manuel González-Páramo, Member of the Executive Board of the European Central Bank

11:15-11:35 ***(b)*** **Policy Challenges facing the EMU**
Mr. Servaas Deroose, Director of EU Economy, Directorate General for Economic and Financial Affairs, European Commission

11:35-12:15 Question and Answer Session

12:30-14:00 Luncheon (hosted by Bank Negara Malaysia)

Session II: Financial Market Developments in the EU and ASEAN

14:00-15:30 ***(a)*** **Financial Market Developments in the EU and the Role of the Euro**

Interactive Breakout Sessions:

- The Euro-denominated Bond Market
  Sir David Wright, Vice-Chairman, Barclays Capital; and
  Mr. Romeo Bernardo, President, Lazaro Bernardo Tiu & Associates, Inc., former Undersecretary of Finance of the Philippines
- Role of the Euro in the International Monetary System
  Mr. Antonio de Lecea, Director of International Relations, Directorate General for Economic and Financial Affairs, European Commission

15:30-15:45 Tea Break

15:45-17:00 ***(b)*** **Financial Market Developments and Prospects in ASEAN**
Chaired by Dato' Ooi Sang Kuang, Deputy Governor, Bank Negara Malaysia

- Potential for Banking and Financial Services in ASEAN
  Mr. Andrew Sheng, Chairman, Securities and Futures Commission, Hong Kong
- Strengthening Financial Markets in ASEAN
  Mr. Jose Isidro Camacho, Vice Chairman, Credit Suisse First Boston, Singapore; *former Secretary of Finance, Philippines*
- Toward an Integrated ASEAN Capital Market
  Mr. Ong Chong Tee, Deputy Managing Director, Monetary Authority of Singapore

17:00-17:30 Panel Session on (b) 'Financial Market Developments and Prospects in ASEAN'

- *Mr. Andrew Sheng, Chairman, Securities and Futures Commission, Hong Kong*
- *Mr. Jose Isidro Camacho, Vice Chairman, Credit Suisse First Boston, Singapore; former Secretary of Finance, Philippines*
- *Mr. Ong Chong Tee, Deputy Managing Director, Monetary Authority of Singapore*

20:00-22:00 Dinner (hosted by Bank Negara Malaysia)
Keynote Address
The Rt. Honourable Dato' Seri Abdullah Haji Ahmad Badawi, Prime Minister of Malaysia

FRIDAY 15 JULY

SESSION III: Expanding ASEAN-EU Trade & Investment

09:00- 09:15 Announcements

09:15-10:00 (a) Trade & Investment Opportunities for ASEAN in the EU
- The EU single market
- EU market access

Mr. Ignacio Garcia-Bercero, Director of Trade Relations with South East Asia, Directorate General for Trade, European Commission

10:00-10:20 (b) Trade & Investment Opportunities for the EU in ASEAN
Chaired by Dato' Ooi Sang Kuang, Deputy Governor, Bank Negara Malaysia
Key speaker: Dr. Narongchai Akrasanee, Chairman, Seranee Holdings Co. Ltd., Thailand; former Minister of Commerce, Thailand

10:20-11:00 Panel Session on (b) 'Trade and Investment Opportunities for the EU in ASEAN'
- *Dr. Narongchai Akrasanee, Chairman, Seranee Holdings Co. Ltd., Thailand; former Minister of Commerce, Thailand*
- *Dr. Miranda Goeltom, Senior Deputy Governor, Bank Indonesia*
- *Mr. Manu Bhaskaran, Partner and Member of the Board, Centennial Group Inc., Singapore*

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

SESSION IV: Trade and Investment Opportunities in Malaysia

11:30-12:15 Presentation on 'Trade and Investment Opportunities in Malaysia'
The Honourable Dato' Mustapa bin Mohamed, Minister in the Prime Minister's Department, Malaysia

12:15-12:30 Closing of Conference - *Closing Remarks*
- *H. E. Ambassador Thierry Rommel, Head of the EU Commission Delegation to Malaysia*
- *Tan Sri Dato' Sri Dr. Zeti Akhtar Aziz, Governor, Bank Negara Malaysia*

12:30-14:00 Luncheon (hosted by Bank Negara Malaysia)

14:00 End of Conference