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Flash floods. Raging storms. Scorching temperature. Climate change manifests itself in unprecedented ways, and it is a challenge faced by every living being. The vision of the cities of the future, cutting carbon pollution, expanding clean energy, protection of wildlife – how much have we done and to what effect? How do we build a better world for our communities and future generations.



CONFERENCE AGENDA

The Conference aims to increase awareness on environmental issues, build capacity and train youth leaders to become environmental champions. The youths of today are the leaders of tomorrow and Rotary Eco Warriors will be the catalyst for change in youths towards the environment.

This Conference also will lead to Malaysian and global initiatives, projects, and activities to address climate change issues and help reduce impacts of climate change on the environment and the communities.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

- Forum with International Experts
- Plenary with Youth Leaders
- Launching of Rotary Eco-Warriors (REW)
- Unveiling of REW Manifesto
- Launching of #HugOurTree Initiative



BE MORE CONCERNED ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES



The only common factor with all human beings is our earth until Covid struck! Then, it became an additional common factor affecting every human on earth. And due to the pandemic, the evolution of environment management saw an urgency like never before.

The entire populations came to a standstill and the skies cleared, the air became fresh, unseen birds appeared, rivers became clear and there has been measurable change in the amount of pollutants in the air - but not for long.

This has resulted in more people especially the younger generation becoming more concerned about the environmental challenges and have a

renewed interest and that is the main objective of our Sustainable Actions Climate Conference.

- To create the awareness of the importance of preserving our planet
- To encourage a responsible attitude amongst all towards the environment
- To provide sustainable solutions that can be adapted by all

This initiative by Rotary International Malaysia is jointly organised by the District Action Group on Environmental Sustainability (DAGES), Rotaractors and Interactors.

Let's pledge to make the Earth a greener and healthier place and remember, every little effort helps.

Bindi Rajasegaran

DATO' BINDI RAJASEGARAN

District Governor RY 21/22

Rotary International District 3300 Malaysia



Go green, don't print. Because it's good for the environment.

HAVE YOU SIGNED-UP?

If you have, congratulations!

Now please help spread the words and get more people you know to sign-up too. Your enthusiasm, your interest in learning, your commitment to doing good for Mother Nature and the World will go a long way for our future generations!

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors
- Non-profit/Non-government Organizations/ Individuals
- Local / International Governments
- Leaders, Educators, Researchers, Students
- Manufacturers/ Private Corporations
- Environmental Stakeholders
- Everyone who cares about nurturing for a more sustainable future



THE PROGRAM - MALAYSIA TIME (GMT+8)

8.30 am Conference Room To Open And Conference Rules

9.00 am Conference Opening and Overview

Welcoming Address by Dato' Bindi Rajasegaran, District Governor Rotary International District 3300 Malaysia (RY2021-22)

The Launching Of Rotary Eco Warriors (REW) And The Unveiling Of REW Manifesto

Keynote Address 1: Environment as Rotary's 7th Area of Focus by Past Rotary International President K R Ravindran

Keynote Address 2: Bhutan - Carbon Negative, Leadership Positive by Mr Tashi Jamtsho, Country Director, World Wildlife Fund Bhutan Office

Global Warming, Biodiversity Loss and Environmental Sustainability in South East Asia by Dr. Christopher Puttock ESRA Chair (2019-2021)

International Forum: International Concerns and Sustainable Actions

Moderator - Ir Dr Kribanandan G Naidu

Panelists:

- **PROF. GABRIELE VILLARINI** - Director of IIHR-Hydroscience & Engineering, Dept. of Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of Iowa, USA
- **DR SARAH KARIKÓ** - Research Director, Gossamer Labs and Associate, Dept. of Organismic & Evolutionary Biology, Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard University, USA
- **SHAH REDZA HUSSEIN** - Director of Perak State Parks, Malaysia
- **DR RASHED MUSTAFA SARWAR** - UNICEF Representative to Malaysia and Special Representative to Brunei Darussalam
- **MILLA BRUNEAU** - Executive Director, European Green Capital 2021 Project, Lahti, Finland

The Launching of #HugOurTree Initiative

Youth Plenary: Climate Change and Actions in Malaysia

Moderator - Azrina Abdullah

Panelists:

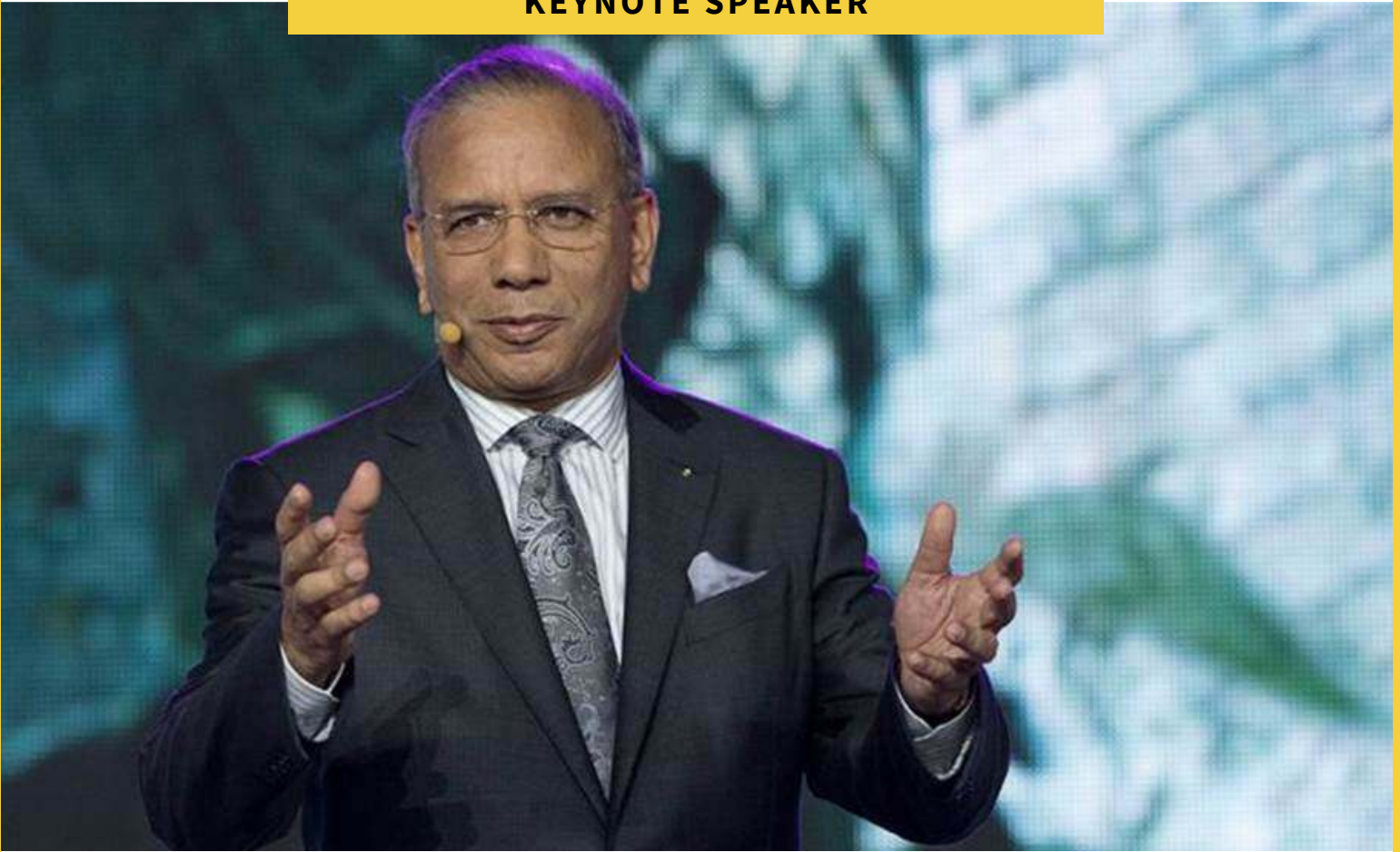
- **FAIRUL IZMAL JAMAL HISNE** - Vice-Chairperson & Co-Founder, The MareCet Research Organization
- **DR SURIA SELASIH ANGIT** - Assistant Professor, Centre for Academic Partnership and Engagement, University of Nottingham Malaysia
- **POH CHIN HUI** - Manager, KPMG Management and Risk Consulting Sdn. Bhd.
- **VISHNUVARTHAN MUNIANDI** - Senior Executive, Climate Change Management (Upstream), PETRONAS

1.15 pm

Closing Remarks by Ir Dr Dhileepan Nair, Organising Chair of Global Climate Conference and Co-Chair of District Action Group on Environmental Sustainability (DAGES), Malaysia



KEYNOTE SPEAKER



KR RAVINDRAN

Past Rotary International President

KR Ravindran is CEO of a publicly listed company which he founded with a worldwide clientele in the tea packaging industry. He also serves on the board of several other companies and charitable trusts. He is the founding president of the Sri Lanka Anti-Narcotics Association.

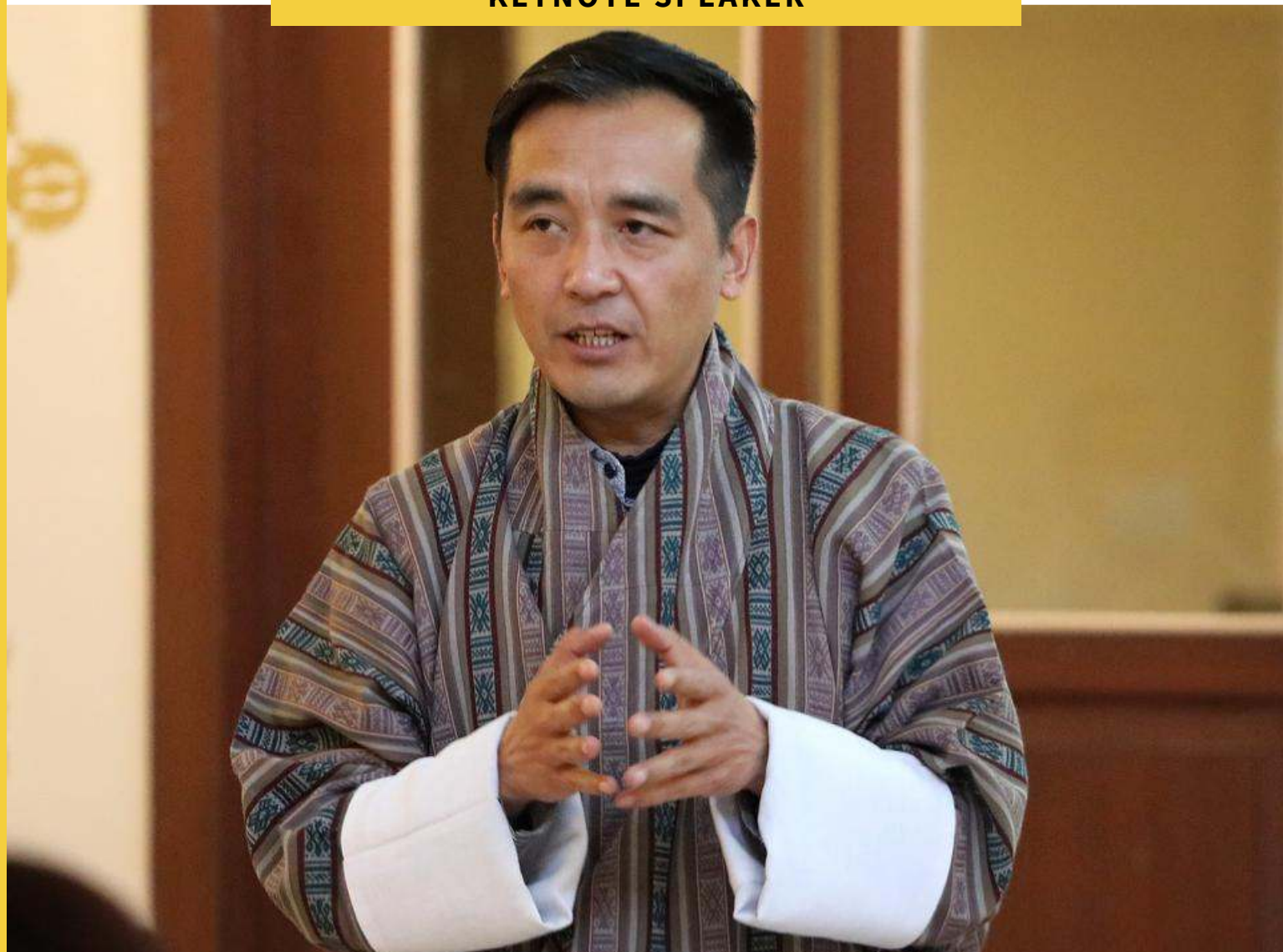
As his country's national PolioPlus Chair, Ravi headed a task force consisting of the government, UNICEF, and Rotary and worked closely with UNICEF to successfully negotiate a ceasefire with the northern militants during National Immunization Days.

A Rotarian since 1974, Ravi has served RI as treasurer; director; Foundation trustee; committee member, vice chair, and chair; task force member; RI training leader; and district governor. He also chaired the Schools Reawakening project, sponsored by Rotary clubs and districts in Sri Lanka, to rebuild 25 tsunami-devastated schools to benefit 15,000 children.

Ravi was instrumental in recommending the inclusion of “Support Our Environment “ as Rotary International’s seventh area of focus .



KEYNOTE SPEAKER



MR TASHI JAMTSHO

Country Director, World Wildlife Fund Bhutan Office

Tashi Jamtsho is the Country Director of WWF Bhutan. As Bhutan's oldest conservation partner, WWF Bhutan works on various environmental conservation programs including research and study, education and awareness, promotion of sustainable livelihoods, protection of terrestrial and freshwater ecosystems, addressing human-wildlife conflict and climate change.

Prior to this, he served in various capacities with the Ministry of Agriculture and Forests, Government of Bhutan especially in the areas of climate change, multilateral engagements and partnership management.

As the Country Director of WWF Bhutan, Tashi is driven by inclusive conservation with focus on landscape approach and youth engagement. He was instrumental in establishing the Bhutan for Life Initiative – the first project finance for permanence programme in Asia.



INTERNATIONAL SPEAKER



DR CHRISTOPHER (CHRIS) PUTTOCK is a botanist with four decades experience in environmental conservation and habitat restoration. He is particularly concerned with the maintenance of ecosystems to function naturally, sustainably, and in preventing demise of ecological services by human exploitation, reaching past the tipping point where nature is not permanently damaged.

Chris has been a Rotarian since 2004, Paul Harris Fellow, President of the Rotary Club of College Park-Maryland (2016-2017), District 7620 Environmental Committee Chair (2010-2014, 2020+), and member of the District Global Grants Committee and District International Service Committee (DISC). He has attended every Rotary International Convention since 2010 (Montreal). He was a founding Director of the Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group (ESRAG) and now, its immediate Past Chair. He is also a member of the Rotary International Cadre of Technical Advisors for the Environment.

Since moving to Maryland from Hawai'i in 2008 Chris has been a Research Associate at the Smithsonian Institute, National Museum of Natural History, and Executive Director and CEO of Chesapeake Natives, Inc., the only local ecotype nursery producing hundreds of species of plants to sustain the native flora and fauna of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed, and he is the current President of the Maryland Native Plant Society. He has supervised more than 40 environmental grants, including Rotary Global Grants with environmental components.

Chris is a regular speaker at Rotary Clubs and Districts, botanical and native plant societies, master gardeners, master naturalists and garden clubs. He can speak on anything to do with the environment, biodiversity, ecosystem restoration, sustainable food production, environmental resilience and equity, global warming, Rotary's seven areas of focus, and now in implementing Rotary projects for the "Environment".



INTERNATIONAL PANELISTS



MILLA BRUNEAU is the Executive Director for the Lahti European Green Capital 2021 project. Prior to this she has led several international tv- and film-companies. Her experience for the Green Capital initiative evolved from her political career as a decision maker in the Lahti City Council since 2013. Her interest in city politics rose from following the determination Lahti had in its urban and environmental policy solutions. During her first term Bruneau acted i.e. as the chairman of her own political group (National Coalition Party) and as a member of the Lahti City Board. During her second term in office, she became the chairman of the Lahti City Council and was the first woman in the city's history to do so.



PROFESSOR GABRIELE VILLARINI of University of Iowa, USA is a renowned and award-winning international expert on Flood Hydrology, Extreme Events. He is the Professor in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at the University of Iowa, and the Director of IIHR-Hydroscience & Engineering. He is also the Robert & Virginia Wheeler Faculty Fellow in Engineering and the Editor-in-Chief for Advances in Water Resources. His research group broadly focuses on flood hydrology, extreme events, hydroclimatology, and climate predictions and projections. He is a member of the Iowa Flood Center, which is the only university-based center devoted solely to flood-related research and education. University of Iowa is where Rotary International founder Paul Harris graduated with a law degree in 1891.



SARAH KARIKO arachnologist, artist and explorer aims to inspire wonder about the mysteries of the natural world and support care for the web of life. She studies the biodiversity of spiders through her research as Associate in the Department of Organismic and Evolutionary Biology at Harvard's Museum of Comparative Zoology and explores the interconnectedness among species as Research Director of Gossamer Labs LLC. Dr Karikó has conducted fieldwork in places ranging from the rainforests of Madagascar to the Rocky Mountains in the American West and designed exhibits highlighting spiders in places like Grand Teton National Park, USA. She serves on the board of The Global Institute for the Arts & Leadership and is a commission member of the Spider & Scorpion Specialist Group for the International Union for Conservation of Nature.



INTERNATIONAL PANELISTS



DR RASHED MUSTAFA SARWAR is UNICEF Representative to Malaysia and Special Representative to Brunei Darussalam. He has about 25 years of diverse work in Central Asia and Caucasus, Europe and Southeast Asia, with UNICEF and other UN agencies in politically transitional and developing countries, in countries transitioning rapidly to middle and upper-income status as well as in extreme humanitarian and post-conflict situations.

Dr Sarwar has served as the UNICEF Representative in the Republic of Belarus in 2015-2020 and UNICEF Deputy Representative in Azerbaijan in 2009-2015. In both countries, he has been providing overall leadership and managerial guidance on UNICEF programming, policy direction, monitoring of compliance and performance standards as well as coordination with international, governmental and civil society organizations. In Belarus, he has successfully launched and tested new fundraising model, with increased mobilization of private and corporate donations and greater involvement of Belarusian citizens, companies and civil society for children in the country and abroad.

He has valuable expertise for Former Soviet Union countries (over 20 years), fluent in Russian, well familiar with the geopolitical context and social fabric of the region. Dr Sarwar is a national of the People's Republic of Bangladesh. Has advanced medical educational background, PhD in Medicine.



SHAH REDZA HUSSEIN is an Economist by training and a conservationist by passion. He has been involved in nature conservation and environmental protection for over 23 years. In 1997 Shah left the corporate sector to join WWF Malaysia in order to learn and contribute directly to nature conservation. He was the Executive Director of the Malaysian Nature (MNS), the oldest and largest member based nature NGO in the country and had over time served on various national and regional technical committee on nature and environmental protection.

Prior to joining the Perak State Parks he was the Special Project Director in Malaysia with Earth And Sea Observation System (EASOS) a UK Space Agency project partner in utilizing satellite and technology in monitoring, protecting and disaster forecasting of our natural environment.

Shah Redza is currently the Director of the Perak State Parks Corporation (PSPC). He was recently awarded the 2020 global winner of the Dr. Rimington Award for Tiger Conservation by the WWF Tiger Alive initiative committee.



YOUTH LEADERS



FAIRUL IZMAL JAMAL HISNE is a marine biologist and an environmental consultant based in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, and has been actively involved in environmental management since 2008. Fairul obtained his Bachelor of Science Degree in Marine Sciences from the University of Waikato, New Zealand.

He is currently the Environmental Lead for the Asia Pacific region for Genesis, a consultancy firm having its headquarters in London, UK. Among his responsibilities include providing advisory services on topics relating to Environment, Sustainability, and Governance (ESG) and energy transition. His experience covers projects in multiple regions including Asia Pacific, Europe, Africa and North America.

Fairul is also the Co-Founder and Vice-Chairperson of The MareCet Research Organization, a Malaysia-based marine mammal conservation organization. He is also a key member of the Southeast Asian marine mammalogist community and is currently serving as a Co-Coordinator for Important Marine Mammal Areas (IMMAs) for the Southeast Asian Seas and North Indian Ocean Region under the Joint IUCN-WCPA Marine Mammal Protected Areas Taskforce.



DR SURIA SELASIH ANGIT is an Assistant Professor at the Centre for Academic Partnership and Engagement, University of Nottingham Malaysia. She completed her PhD in Education at the University of Melbourne, Australia, sponsored by the Ministry of Rural Development Malaysia.

Her academic interests include indigenous research methodologies, education for Indigenous communities, language and symbolic power, multicultural education and English language teaching. She is actively involved in a World Bank Project that aims to improve teaching and learning in the Bangladesh college sector.

As a member of the indigenous Temiar community, Suria is passionate about making education more inclusive and culturally responsive for indigenous students, particularly those from Orang Asli backgrounds. She hopes that her Orang Asli Student Icon Award will help her to be an inspiration to Orang Asli students to unleash their potential and shine in all arenas, without feeling the need to compromise their indigenous identities.



YOUTH LEADERS



POH CHIN HUI is a Manager with the Governance and Sustainability team of Risk Consulting practice in KPMG Management and Risk Consulting Sdn. Bhd.

Chin Hui has 10 years of professional experience in the area of sustainability, ESG as well as climate change.

Prior to joining KPMG, Chin Hui was with PETRONAS' Group Health, Safety, Security and Environment Division where she was responsible for the climate change-related strategy and planning, GHG data management as well as tracking of GHG reduction programmes of all PETRONAS downstream assets.



VISHNUVARTHAN MUNIANDI has 10 years of experience in climate change management and sustainability matters.

Vishnu joined the PETRONAS' climate change team in 2015 where he was involved in enhancing PETRONAS' climate change governance and establishing group-wide targets namely Net Zero Carbon Emissions (NZCE) 2050.

Vishnu has also gained extensive experience in Greenhouse Gas (GHG) reporting, monitoring & verification, GHG emissions mitigation and climate change adaptation during his 6 years with PETRONAS.

Prior to joining PETRONAS, Vishnu was the Corporate Social Responsibility Lead in Bumi Armada Berhad, managing sustainability matters and has successfully listed Bumi Armada in DJSI and FTSE4Good sustainability indices.

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DATO' BINDI RAJASEGARAN

District Governor RY2021-22
Rotary International District 3300 Malaysia



MODERATORS



IR DR KRIBAN G NAIDU started his career in the UK and then spent several years in Botswana, before returning to Malaysia in 1993 to head Taywood Engineering an international consultancy. In 2001 following a Management Buy Out, he rebranded the company as JTK Consult providing specialist design and technology services to the construction sector, assuming the role of Managing Director.

During his time in Botswana, he was involved in sustainable design, delivering appropriate housing technologies and identifying water resources for rural and desert communities. The latter included the development of the first building in Southern Africa encompassing passive solar design principles and the setting up of a nationwide rain water harvesting scheme in schools and rural communities to supplement scarce water resources.

He has been passionate about sustainability, the protection of the environment and the rights of communities since he was a teenager and increasingly devoting his time to these endeavours. He is the president of the Friends of Bukit Kiara (FoBK) a green lung advocacy group, the founding member of the District Action Group for Environment and Sustainability (DAGES) and Past President of the Rotary Club of Damansara.



AZRINA ABDULLAH who is currently the Managing Director for SDG Synergy, is a social performance specialist with over 26 years of global experience in sustainable development. She has advised and coached C-Suite members on ESG, and conducted sustainability-related audits, risk assessments and training across different industry sectors including energy, health, construction, mining and forestry. She has also undertaken ESG materiality assessments for Public Listed Companies to meet mandatory reporting requirements, and led the establishment of PETRONAS' Human Rights Commitment and its related standards, including the Contractors Code of Conduct on Human Rights. Azrina is an alumni of the University of Cambridge Business and Sustainability Leadership Programme, a certified Social Accountability (SA) 8000 auditor (Advanced), Lead Auditor for ISO 37001 (Anti-Bribery Management Systems) and the first Malaysian appointed as a Visiting Scholar by the US Department of Justice under the Obama administration, based in Washington D.C. She is the President and Founder of the Malaysian Society of Social Performance, which promotes social performance through education and training.



MASTERS OF CEREMONIES



ADI AFENDI is an award-winning Master of Ceremonies, or Emcee, for short. He is also a soft skills trainer, especially his signature training in Persuasive and Convincing Presentation Skills. The highlights of his career include being the Master of Ceremonies for the 29th SEA Games Kuala Lumpur 2017, the 18th Asian Games Jakarta-Palembang 2018, and United Nations Malaysia, to name a few. Big on charity, Adi is currently the goodwill ambassador for Ocean Hero Maritime Conservation campaign, and he was the goodwill ambassador for I Vogue For Green Rainforest Preservation program as well as one of the goodwill ambassadors for JCI United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, specifically on education for all.



SIVA KUMAR RAGHAVAN is an International Education Consultant with specific expertise in school set up, start ups, coaching, mentoring, training and strategic planning for private international schools and kindergartens in the region of South East Asia. He is the Founder and CEO of quality kindergarten chain brand "UNIKIDSITY International" and also a dynamic Business Coach or best known as Performance Coach in Early Education business specifically on start ups and business transformation. He is the President of Rotary Club of Melawati (RY20-21).

"Environmental degradation and global climate change are serious threats to everyone. They are having a disproportionate impact on those who are most vulnerable, those to whom Rotary has the greatest responsibility. Yet environmental issues rarely register on the Rotary agenda."

The time is long past when environmental sustainability can be dismissed as not Rotary's concern. It is, and must be, everyone's concern."

IAN H.S. RISELEY
Rotary International President (RY2017-18)



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Belum Forest and Tiger Conservation

27 May 2021, Thursday
8 - 9.30 PM | M'SIA TIME (GMT +8)

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SHAH REDZA HUSSEIN
DIRECTOR
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3 June 2021, Thursday
8 - 9.30 PM | M'SIA TIME (GMT +8)

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Severe Storms and Flooding as a Consequence of Climate Change

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PROF. GABRIELE VILLARINI
DIRECTOR OF THE HYDROSCAPE & ENVIRONMENTAL DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

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An overview of everyday interconnected themes and our role in the circular economy

15 June 2021, Tuesday
8 - 9.30 PM | M'SIA TIME (GMT +8)

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RITA DUTTA
AUTHOR OF SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLE IDEAS

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MILLA BRUNEAU
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
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Net Zero and Role of the Youths

22 June 2021, Tuesday
8 - 9.30 PM | M'SIA TIME (GMT +8)

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THIRUPATHI RAO
HEAD OF CLIMATE CHANGE, SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, PETRONAS

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Impact of Climate Change on Children and Solutions to Addressing These

23 June 2021, Wednesday
8 - 9.30 PM | M'SIA TIME (GMT +8)

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DR RASHED MUSTAFA SARWAR
UNICEF REPRESENTATIVE TO MALAYSIA AND SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE TO BRUNEI
DAK, ISLAMABAD

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Exploring the Web of Life & Biodiversity of Spiders

24 June 2021, Thursday
8 - 9.30 PM | M'SIA TIME (GMT +8)

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DR SARAH KARIKÓ
RESEARCH DIRECTOR, DISSEMINATION
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Ocean: The Forgotten Frontier in the Fight Against Climate Change

29 June 2021, Tuesday
8 - 9.30 PM | M'SIA TIME (GMT +8)

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PASSCODE: DAGES



FAIRUL IZMAL JAMAL HISNE
MARINE BIOLOGIST & CO-FOUNDER OF
WATERCUT RESEARCH ORGANIZATION

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ONGOING PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

IN ROTARY DISTRICT 3300 MALAYSIA



Threats to the world's forests are growing. We are losing forests at a rate of 48 football fields per minute because of human activity. Protecting our forests helps sustain nature's diversity, benefit our climate and support human well-being.

#HugOurTree@The Rotary Peace Park is a Rotary led tree-planting campaign for West Malaysia.

This initiative will be launched at the Climate Conference on 4 July 2021.



The Rotary Peace Park Malaysia is the first in Malaysia and in Asia that offers recreational facilities for the local community, university students and the general public.

The park has the potential to be a prominent eco-tourism centre with migratory birds habitat, the nearby firefly park, the peat forest of Raja Musa and the coastal mangrove forest of Kuala Selangor.

Themed Water for Peace, it is part of Rotary's effort in building a greener and sustainable future.



Rotary Eco Warriors are a community of Rotarians, Rotaractors and Interactors who are passionate about reversing the damaging impacts of climate change on people and our planet earth. The public are strongly encouraged to support the Manifesto and participate as "Friends of Rotary Eco Warriors".

This will be launched at the Climate Conference on 4 July 2021.

ABOUT THE PARTNERS



Environmental Sustainability Rotarian Action Group (ESRAG) assists Rotary clubs, districts and multi-districts in planning, implementing and evaluating service projects, building awareness, and inspiring action. These projects promote environmental sustainability, awareness of climate change, and actions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and to mitigate climate disruption.

ESRAG promotes educational resources, initiates dialogue about environmental sustainability, and uses best practices in models and assessments for both projects and daily choices. This work advances the Object of Rotary through positive impacts in all six Areas of Focus.

ESRAG's focus on environmental sustainability offers Rotary the opportunity to provide long-term benefits for people all over the world. We will work to ensure that project investments preserve the ability for the environment to renew itself and continue to support human well-being, thereby supplying life-sustaining benefits to communities.

The Global Environment Centre is a Malaysian Non-profit organization (Reg. no. 473058-T) established in 1998 to work on environmental issues of global importance. The Centre is based in Malaysia but works regionally and internationally both directly and through many partners. It supports information exchange and capacity building as well as undertakes strategic projects particularly in developing countries. It works in partnership with other like-minded agencies worldwide. It is active in the fields of climate change mitigation and adaptation, biodiversity, water resources, agriculture and forestry. It has worked actively on community based natural resource management especially for peatlands mangroves and river ecosystems. It has undertaken field projects in more than 15 countries. Its scope covers environmental issues of global importance but with a strong river basin, wetlands, biodiversity and climate change focus. It has been recognized as a center of expertise by organizations such as the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands, the Convention on Biological Diversity, United Nation's Framework on Climate Change Convention (UNFCCC), United Nations Development Programme, United Nations Environment Programme and the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN).

ABOUT THE PARTNERS



On 21 July 2020, the first Zoom meeting organised by 4 clubs triggered the establishment of Synergy Rotary Friendship Alliance. It then grew covering 16 clubs in 14 countries in Asia and has expanded across the world through Synergy Chapters in Europe and soon - Africa.

The partner clubs are RC Flacq (Mauritius), RC Jalalabad (Afghanistan), RC Karachi (Pakistan), RC Dhaka Mavericks (Bangladesh), RC Thimpu (Bhutan), RC Malé (Maldives), RC Semarang Kunthi (Indonesia), RC Melawati (Malaysia), RC Cochin Harbour, RC Kalamassery and RC Udumalpet Central (India), RC Ampara (Sri Lanka), RC Baguio Summer Capital (Philippines), RC Singapore (Singapore), RC Dhulikhel (Nepal) and RC Wanchai (Hong Kong).

Synergy aims to:

- foster strong friendship among clubs across nations;
- organise joint meetings on a scale that a single club or country cannot do;
- progress later to international exchange programs and global Grants; and
- harness the power of the internationality of Rotary.

ABOUT THE ORGANISERS



Formed in 2018, DAGES creates environmental awareness about issues prevalent in our society and communities, inspires actions, and assists in developing projects and initiatives to address these issues through Interact Clubs, Rotaract Clubs and Rotary Clubs. DAGES welcomes partnership and collaboration with corporates, local authorities, NGOs, the community and individuals to together ensure sustainability for our environment.



Rotary is a global network of 1.2 million neighbours, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves. Running strong for upwards of 110 years, Rotary uses its expansive network to enact positive change for its focus areas: promoting peace, fighting disease, providing clean water, sanitation and hygiene, saving mothers and children, supporting education, growing local economies and the latest addition - supporting the environment.



Rotaract clubs bring together people ages 18 and older to exchange ideas with leaders in the community, develop leadership and professional skills, and have fun through service. In communities worldwide, Rotary and Rotaract members work side by side to take action through service.



Interact clubs bring together young people ages 12-18 to develop leadership skills while discovering the power of Service Above Self. Interact clubs organise projects that help their school or community and another one that promotes international understanding. Rotary club sponsors mentor and guide Interactors as they carry out projects and develop leadership skills.

THANK YOU

We would like to record our deepest gratitude and appreciation to all who have directly and indirectly made this Conference a success.

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