

**FORUM ON KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTION FOR SUSTAINABILITY
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The present situation of sustainability is dependent, among others, on the production and use of knowledge on sustainability sourced from all over the world and various ideologies. Policies and efforts are focused on sustainability which has been taken as a given in discussions on development and progress today. Sustainable development requires an understanding of complex societal systems, analyzing its economic, ecological, social, technological, and institutional aspects in an integrated way. The central elements of sustainability science are: multi-, inter- and transdisciplinary research; co-production of knowledge, co-evolution of complex systems, learning-by-doing; and system innovation. Knowledge production for sustainable development deals with uncertainty and complexity, ambiguity, different perspectives and distributed governance. This challenges the traditional system of science and knowledge production in society. Sustainability is rooted in several scientific sub-currents that characterise the evolution of sciences in general: a shift from so called mode-1 science to mode-2 science, the increasing influence of post-normal science, and the growing importance of complexity theory. This international forum gathers thinkers from various fields that contribute to sustainability. The purpose of the forum is to provide a platform for discourse on knowledge production that underlies present efforts in sustainability in Malaysia, its immediate neighbours as well as from other parts of the world.

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TENTATIVE PROGRAM

8.30 am – 9.00 am	Registration
9.00 am – 9.15 am	Welcome Notes by Director of LESTARI
9.15 am – 9.30 am	Welcome Notes by Dato Ghazali Dato Yusuf
9.30 am – 10.15 am	Keynote Speech by PROF DR RODERICK LAWRENCE – UNIVERSITY OF GENEVA, SWITZERLAND Knowledge Production for Urban Sustainability: The pertinence of interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary contributions.
10.15 am – 10.45 am	Refreshment
10.45 am – 11.15 am	Paper 1 by PROF DATUK DR SHAMSUL AMRI BAHARUDDIN UNIVERSITI KEBANGSAAN MALAYSIA Knowledge Production on Ethnic Relationship for Social Sustainability
11.15 am – 11.45 am	Paper 2 by PROF DATO' DR ABDUL SAMAD HADI UNIVERSITI KEBANGSAAN MALAYSIA Knowledge Production: Urban Sustainability
11.45 am – 12.15 pm	Paper 3 by PROF DATO' DR ABDUL RAHMAN HJ EMBONG UNIVERSITI KEBANGSAAN MALAYSIA The Role of Middle Class in Knowledge Production in Malaysia Towards Sustainability
12.15 pm - 12.45 pm	Paper 4 by DR ZAINAL ABIDIN SANUSI DEPUTY DIRECTOR AKADEMI KEPIMPINAN PENGAJIAN TINGGI (AEPT) MINISTRY OF HIGHER EDUCATION (MOHE) Knowledge Production: Leading Higher Education for Sustainability
12.45 pm – 1.30 pm	Discussion
1.30 pm – 2.30 pm	Lunch