

# MALAYSIA NEWS BULLETIN



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## THE KING ATTENDS INAUGURATION OF OCIS AND MEETS FORMER LECTURERS IN OXFORD



Yang di-Pertuan Agong Sultan Muhammad V (left) with Prince Charles (right) at Oxford Centre of Islamic Studies. With them are Prince Turki Al-Faisal (2nd right) and OCIS director Dr Farhan Nizami.

**OXFORD, MAY 16:** YANG di-Pertuan Agong Sultan Muhammad V reunited with his former lecturer, Dr David Browning, after the inauguration of the Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies (OCIS) by Prince Charles, who is patron of the centre. He greeted Dr Browning, who was his lecturer in Geography in The Muslim World, when he was a student there in the 1980s. He went to Oakham School in Rutland and pursued further education in Diplomatic Studies at St Cross College, Oxford, before doing Islamic Studies at the centre until 1991. The Malaysian entourage included Dato' Ahmad Rasidi Hazizi, the Malaysian High Commissioner to the United Kingdom and Eire, and Tun Ahmad Sarji Abdul Hamid, member of the board of trustees of OCIS. Prince

Charles, in his speech, thanked Muslim countries and leaders for their generous contributions towards the building of the new centre. Malaysia had contributed to the panelling of the Malaysian auditorium in the form of wood carvings by master carvers from Terengganu. His Majesty was on a special visit to the United Kingdom to attend the ceremony. Other royal dignitaries who graced the occasion included Prince Turki Al-Faisal Al-Saud, member of the Board of Trustees of OCIS, Prince Salman Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince of the Kingdom of Bahrain and Prince Abdul Mateen of Brunei Darussalam. In a separate occasion, His Majesty graced a dinner event with Malaysians hosted by Dato' Ahmad Rasidi Hazizi at Rumah Malaysia (group photos below).



# PRIME MINISTER'S WIFE EXPANDS PERMATA NEGARA TO UK

## WITH OCIS, THE ROYAL SOCIETY AND UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE COLLABORATIONS



Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor delivering her speech during the launching of Permata Science Institute workshop at the Royal Society of London

**LONDON, MAY 8:** Malaysian Prime Minister's wife and patron of Permata Negara, Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor launched the Permata Science Institute workshop at the Royal Society of London. The Royal Society collaborated with Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) in organising the Science Institute workshop involving 26 students from Permata Pintar, Permata Insan, Maktab Rendah Sains MARA, students from the Education Ministry, young scientists and six teachers. The workshop was part of Permata Nobel Mindset initiative aimed at instilling career leadership, innovative thinking, communication skills as well as field specific studies in our top science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) talents. Also present at the function

were The Royal Society of London's Senior Advisor Luke Clarke, Women, Family and Community Development Minister Datuk Seri Rohani Abdul Karim, Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Seri Azalina Othman Said and High Commissioner of Malaysia to the United Kingdom Dato' Ahmad Rasidi Hazizi. Earlier in the week, the Oxford Centre of Islamic Studies (OCIS), Oxford University have agreed to hold further discussion with Permata Negara to fine-tune the collaboration to produce smart students that are capable of becoming scholars. In a separate occasion, Rosmah also witnessed the signing of MOU between Permata Pintar and Cambridge University that create opportunities and pathways for Permata students to benefit from the offerings at Cambridge University. Rosmah who was on a 7 day working visit also visited the Specialist Domestic Violence Court and hold discussion with the Rape and Serious Sexual Offences (RASSO) Team from the Crown Prosecution Service (CSP).

## MAYBANK UK SEMINAR

### HELP PROMOTES MALAYSIA'S PROPERTY INVESTMENT

**LONDON, APR 20:** Maybank UK held a property investment seminar and networking session at the Chancery in Holborn. Around 80 participants attended the event which brought together distinguished speakers from major Property Management, Taxation and Financial experts and also Banking advice by Maybank. Deputy High Commissioner, Mr. Mohd Suhaimi Jaafar delivered the welcoming remarks before the speakers took the floor. The event ended with a Q&A and lunch buffet. It is hoped that similar events will be held again in the near future.



Speakers addressing the participants during the Q&A session

## HIGHER EDUCATION FORUM

### TIES COOPERATION BETWEEN MQA AND UK NARIC

**LONDON, MAY 25:** A Malaysia - UK Higher Education Networking Forum was held at the High Commission this morning by the Education Malaysia UK & Eire. The forum which was graced by The Hon. Tan Sri Dr. Noorul Ainur Mohd Nur, Secretary General to the Ministry of Higher Education saw the signing of Memorandum of Cooperation between Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA) and UK National Recognition Information Centre (UK NARIC). 6 representatives from Malaysian Universities also took turns to deliver their presentations.



Dato' Ahmad Rasidi Hazizi and (2nd left) and Tan Sri Dr. Noorul Ainur Mohd Nur (2nd right) witnessing the MOU signing between Malaysian Qualification Agency (MQA) and UK National Recognition Information Centre (UK NARIC)

# PERWAKILAN CHARITY FASHION SHOW

IN AID OF MERCY MALAYSIA UK AND THE KALSOM MOVEMENT



**LONDON, FEB 20:** Perwakilan London together with Mercy Malaysia UK and The Kalsom Movement has successfully hosted the Charity Fashion Show at the High Commission in Holborn. The sell-out event saw two Malaysian designers, *Red Audra* and *Peppermint Avenue* showcasing some of their finest collections on the runway. Perwakilan's Vice President, Mrs. Fazdiana Daud delivered the welcoming remarks on behalf of Datin Rosilawati Ab. Raffar who was away on official engagement. Proceeds from the show were later passed on to both Mercy Malaysia UK and The Kalsom Movement in a separate presentation ceremony by Datin Rosilawati Ab. Raffar. Below: some of the collections on display.



**LONDON APR 4:** Malaysian painter and abstract expressionist, Yusof Ghani (left) presenting a charcoal-on-canvas sketch to H.E Dato' Ahmad Rasidi Hazizi at his solo art exhibition "Segerak in London" at The Asia House. The masterpiece was painted live by Yusof in front of the guests at the exhibition.



**LONDON MAY 23:** H.E. Dato' Ahmad Rasidi Hazizi speaking at the World Halal Day 2017 Press Conference at the Grand Plaza Bayswater London. This year's WHD 2017 will be held at Olympia London from 31 Oct - 2 Nov 2017 (10am - 7pm).



**KUALA LUMPUR APR 8:** UK born Qari, Syekh Mohammad Ayyub Asif representing United Kingdom at the International Tilawah Al-Quran Competition 2017 in Kuala Lumpur.

# RUMAH MALAYSIA OPEN HOUSE

BRINGS EID-UL-FITR SPIRIT TO MALAYSIANS IN LONDON

**LONDON JUL 1:** The High Commissioner Dato' Ahmad Rasidi Hazizi and wife Datin Rosilawati Ab. Raffar hosted an Eid-ul-Fitr Open House at their residence in Hampstead Heath, London. Food stalls were set up around the garden, serving a variety of Malaysian traditional food. Satay and Roti Canai were the favourites among the guests. Some 5000 guests came with their families and friends, all dressed up for the joyful annual occasion. The High Commission Band performed live music all throughout the event with Dato' Ahmad Rasidi also singing the famous 'Hotel California'. This year's event was also graced by YB Dato' Sri Mustapa Mohamed, Minister for International Trade and Industry who happened to be in London.



## IMMIGRATION & CONSULAR SERVICES

General Office: Monday to Friday - 9.00 am to 5.00 pm

Immigration Office: Monday to Friday - 9.00 am to 12.00 pm (Submission) | 3.00 pm to 4.00pm (Collection)

Consular Office: Monday to Thursday - 9.15 am to 12.00 pm (Submission) | 3.30 pm to 4.00pm (Collection)

Friday - Same hours (By appointment only)



# HIGH COMMISSION'S FAMILY DAY 2017 HIGHLIGHTS

WITH THANKS TO THE SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB AND PERWAKILAN MEMBERS



*Group photo at Brunel University Sports Centre*



*Some of the medals and prizes*



*Mens Basketball match*



*Mr Suhaimi Jaafar in action*



*Ladies Basketball match*



*Dato' Ahmad Rasidi Hazizi in action*



*Egg and spoon race*



*Mr Onn Mohamed and Mr Yohan Wimalasuriya fights for the ball*



*Mr Jesse Quiban in action*



*Blue Team the overall winner*



*Warm up session before the games*



*Musical Chair*

# OUR GUESTS AT THE HIGH COMMISSION



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1. H.E Tim Hitchens, Chief Executive Officer, Commonwealth Summit.

2. Malaysian company DNeXRFID Sdn. Bhd. Executive Chairman, Dato' Haji Roslan Haji Ramli

3. International Islamic University (IIUM) of Malaysia students attending the UK for the Global Leadership Programme 2.

4. Universiti Malaysia Terengganu (UMT) delegation led by Prof. Dr. Mohd. Lokman Husain.

5. Mr. Richard Burge, CEO of Commonwealth Enterprise & Investment Council

6. H.E Mr. Pinasu Suvanajata, Thai Ambassador to the UK.

7. H.E Christian Muzie Nkambule, High Commissioner of Swaziland to the



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