

More than 35 Speakers, including Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohamad, will share their predictions and outlook for Malaysia for 2013-2020 at The Perdana Leadership Foundation CEO FORUM 2013

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KUALA LUMPUR, June 17 (Bernama) -- Malaysia has had its fair share of crises, from the 1987 recession to the Asian currency crisis to the 2008 financial crash. We have weathered the storms but the world in which we are in is anything but calm.

Uncertainties abound, with the world rocked by new economic troubles, and a constantly changing environment presenting Malaysia with new challenges as well as opportunities. How will the nation fare in the years ahead leading up to the goal year of Vision 2020? What are the issues that we have to tackle as a nation in order to succeed in the 21st century?

Well, listen to the views of a seasoned politician, Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohamad, on the subject on the 18th of June 2013 at the Perdana Leadership Foundation CEO Forum 2013. To be held at Berjaya Times Square Convention Centre, Kuala Lumpur, the Forum will feature the fourth Prime Minister of Malaysia delivering a keynote speech entitled, "Better Times Ahead for Malaysian Politics, Post GE-13?"

Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohamad will be joined by more than 35 Malaysian CEOs and industry experts who will speak on a wide range of issues connected to Malaysia and its global challenges: Malaysia's external challenges, the nation's SWOT report card, our talent development channel via higher education, the future of our natural resources, and the development of the Islamic finance industry in Malaysia in an event that promises fresh interactions and new insights.

Speakers include: Tan Sri Mohd Sidek Hassan (PETRONAS), Mr Johan Mahmood Merican (TalentCorp), Dato' Azhar Abdul Hamid (MRT Corp), Dato' Mokhzani Mahathir (SapuraKencana Petroleum Berhad), Dato' Rauf Rashid (Ernst & Young), Datuk Noripah Kamsu (CIMB Islamic), Mr. V. Kanesan (SCOMI), Mr Shylendra Nathan (Google Malaysia), , Mr Prakash Chandran (Siemens Malaysia), Tan Sri Dato' Dr Michael Yeoh (ASLI), Mr Eddin Khoo (Pusaka), Tan Sri Arshad Ayub (UiTM), Dato' Hamzah Kassim (iA Group), Dato' Saifuddin Abdullah (UMNO) and Mr Karamjit Singh (Digital News Asia Sdn Bhd). The event consists of 10 plenary and concurrent sessions, including a Special Session with Ernst & Young, and promises frank discussions as well as the chance to exchange views with experienced members of the country's corporate sector.

"A constant challenge for business leaders is to anticipate and interpret how globalization is changing, while understanding the opportunities and risks it creates. At Ernst & Young, we recognize globalization as one of the defining issues of our time.

Therefore, we are happy to support the Perdana Leadership Foundation and Corporate Malaysia in their attempts to understand these trends, and the advantages and risks they present," said Dato' Abdul Rauf Rashid, Country Managing Partner - Malaysia, Ernst & Young.

This is the fifth time that the Perdana Leadership Foundation is organising the Forum. This year's theme is "Better Times Ahead For Malaysia?: Trends, Predictions And Outlook For 2013-2020".

"As a research and archive institution dedicated to the country's leadership history, the Foundation views this Forum as an important adjunct to its collections development activities which focus primarily on archiving and digitising speeches, news clippings, journal articles and policy papers. Events such as this Forum will furnish much-needed current reactions to social and economic changes that the Foundation is keen to preserve for future generations of Malaysians," said Tan Sri Nik Mohamed Nik Yaacob, Executive Director, Perdana Leadership Foundation.

Forum fees are only RM600 for this one-day event with a 10% discount for group registrations of three or more. More information on the CEO Forum can be found at www.perdana.org.my/ceoforum or by contacting Ms. Imanizah Selamat (imanizah@perdana.org.my / 03-8885 8960) or Ms Izyan Mohamad (izyan@perdana.org.my / 03-8885 8953).

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