

**Malaysia, Japan Co-host ARF Workshop On Counter Radicalisation**  
**Bernama**  
**Mar 25, 2015**

KUALA LUMPUR, March 25 (Bernama) -- Malaysia and Japan are co-hosting a two-day ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) Workshop on Counter Radicalisation here beginning today.

The Malaysian Foreign Ministry, in a statement Wednesday, said the workshop was being held in conjunction with Malaysia's chairmanship of ASEAN this year and as part of Malaysia's commitment to the Hanoi Plan of Action to Implement the ARF Vision Statement.

Delegates to the workshop include officials representing policy-makers, law enforcement officials, academics and other senior officers from the relevant agencies in the field of counter-terrorism, the statement said.

The workshop is co-chaired by the Malaysian Foreign Ministry's Southeast Asia Regional Centre for Counter-Terrorism (SEARCCT) deputy director-general Mohammad Azhar Mazlan and minister and deputy chief of mission of the Embassy of Japan in Kuala Lumpur, Yoshinori Kodama.

The statement said the workshop aimed to discuss the theoretical and conceptual framework of radicalisation as well as the various underpinnings and components of counter radicalisation by tapping into the diverse expertise of ARF participating countries.

The outcome of the workshop will be reported at the 22nd ARF Ministerial Meeting scheduled to be held in Malaysia in the third trimester of this year, according to the statement.

-- BERNAMA

Copyright © 2015 BERNAMA

Source : <http://www.bernama.com/bernama/v8/newsindex.php?id=1120036>