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ABOUT THE CONFERENCE



The 8th Regional Conference on Campus Sustainability (8RCCS) is organized by Universiti Malaysia Sabah with the collaboration of Adamson University, Philippines and National Institute of Technology, Fukushima College, Japan. The objective of this conference is to provide a platform to the stakeholders in campus sustainability to have a round table discussion on the latest development in ensuring the sustainability of natural systems and the environment for universities. 8RCCS is the platform and catalyst for finding a long term solution on environmental problems and the formulation of policies on sustainable development to be enforced for universities and its communities.



FOREWORD



THE VICE-CHANCELLOR OF UNIVERSITI MALAYSIA SABAH (UMS), MALAYSIA

Greetings from Universiti Malaysia Sabah, a premier EcoCampus in Asia!

I am very pleased to welcome all the participants to the 8th Regional Conference on Campus Sustainability 2024 (8RCCS2024). I am proud that UMS is once again the host of this year's event with the theme of 'Accelerating Sustainability in Business'. The Regional Conference on Campus Sustainability was started by UMS in 2014, and for the past 10 years, it has provided a platform for those who are passionate about sharing their expertise, research output and innovations in the field of sustainability.

It is also a pleasure for our university to collaborate again with Adamson University in organizing this prestigious international conference, along with our other international partner, the National Institute of Technology, Fukushima College of Japan. We would like to hear from experts and researchers sharing their findings and experiences in their respective fields of sustainability that are relevant to global issues today and what could we, as Academics, contribute to providing solutions. The very encouraging success of the previous 7th Regional Conference on Campus Sustainability 2023 (7RCCS2023) in conjunction with the 8th Engineering Research Congress (8ERC2023) at Adamson University, Manila, Philippines has been the key factor in motivating us to work progressively by providing a better platform to share and learn from each other.

I would urge all participants to leverage on the activities and discussions in the working group held during this conference to generate more interesting and innovative ideas to develop the topic of campus sustainability. It is our hope that this conference will further reinforce our many efforts in raising awareness and concrete actions in this field among our network, both local and international. This conference is a testament to such a growing strong partnership and joint endeavour between Asian countries.

Once again, on behalf of Universiti Malaysia Sabah, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the organizing committee from the Faculty of Business, Economics and Accountancy, UMS, Adamson University, the National Institute of Technology, Fukushima College of Japan, keynote speakers, chairpersons and participants for all the support and commitment given to make this conference a success. I hope all of you enjoy the conference and take the opportunity to explore the hub for everything fun in the Land Below the Wind, Kota Kinabalu. I look forward to witnessing enriching, inspiring, innovative, and intellectual discourse at this event and wish you all success in your deliberations.

Professor Datuk Dr. Kasim Hj. Mansor Vice-Chancellor Of Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS), Malaysia



FOREWORD



THE PRESIDENT OF ADAMSON UNIVERSITY, THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

On behalf of Adamson University I am greatly honored to extend this congratulatory message to the Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) and the National Institute of Technology Fukushima, as the major host and co-convenor of the 8th Regional Conference on Campus Sustainability respectively.

The theme "Accelerating Sustainability in Business" chosen for this year's conference is highly strategic and timely because the practice of sustainability has become a global movement. Setting good sustainability targets for your organization can even give you a competitive advantage.

The variety of listed sub themes would surely spark meaningful discussions among delegates. Likewise, during the conference we aim to further foster collaborations that transcend geographical boundaries, knowledge exchange and promote sustainable practices and technologies.

The delegates will also find the conference outputs useful in their implementation of sustainable campuses

Rev. Fr. Daniel Franklin E. Pilario, C.M.President of Adamson University, Philippines



FOREWORD



THE PRESIDENT OF NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, FUKUSHIMA COLLEGE, JAPAN

It is an honor for me to give the foreword for the 8th Regional Conference on Campus Sustainability (8RCCS). A big thank you goes out to the University of Malaysia, Sabah, and to the co-host, Adamson University, from the Republic of The Philippines.

I genuinely believe that the theme of the 8th Conference, "Accelerating Sustainability in Business," is very significant in today's society where change is needed.

From this year, Fukushima KOSEN has introduced entrepreneurship education to all our departments. This is about starting a business and discovering social issues, and fostering the desire and ability to work on solving them. According to our educational goal of "fostering young people who will contribute to the realization of a sustainable society," we hope to nurture students who will actively participate in creating a new society.

Fukushima KOSEN has adopted an educational program emphasizing the promotion of the SDGs. Furthermore, the "carbon neutral" human resource development initiative is now in its second year of implementation. This course is designed to help students learn about issues related to carbon neutrality from multiple perspectives.

This year's 8RCCS will be a forum for sharing expertise, research, and innovation on various initiatives that will accelerate sustainability efforts and for discussions and mutual enlightenment among those passionate about these efforts.

Finally, I would like to express my utmost appreciation to the organizing committee for their hard work and commitment in making this Conference possible. I hope the participants of 8RCCS will use this opportunity to enhance their knowledge, continue the discussion, and contribute to creating a new society to build a sustainable society.

Shigenori Taguchi

President: National Institute of Technology (KOSEN), Fukushima College (NITFC), Japan



PREFACE



THE DEAN OF FACULTY OF BUSINESS, ECONOMICS AND ACCOUNTANCY, UMS

Greetings from the Faculty of Business, Economics & Accountancy (FBEA) and I am very pleased to welcome all the participants to the 8th Regional Conference on Campus Sustainability (8RCCS) in Universiti Malaysia Sabah.

The idea of the conference came from our circle of colleagues who are in charge of campus sustainability at our respective universities and all of us believed that we need a platform to share and learn, hence grow together and mature in the right direction. Each of us realised that all of us have different strengths and focus on the vast field of campus sustainability and decided that we should share our progress or success stories with other universities that are interested in transforming their universities into a sustainable one, while at the same time, learning from their experience.

As a university, we have implemented the 1st phase of our EcoCampus Blueprint in 2013, where we aimed to increase awareness and reinforce existing sustainability programs while innovating new programs to keep up with the current trends and demands. 2024 sees us implementing our Environmental Management System, enhancing our current network and benchmarking ourselves in the UI Greenmetric World University Ranking.

I hope that this conference can help us to work with each other in the name of campus sustainability. I would like to thank my friends, Adamson University and the National Institute of Technology, Fukushima College for lending their helping hand as co-organisers. A big appreciation to Japson Wong for his contribution in providing artwork to grace our cover page and hopefully provoked discussion on what choices we have and should we have as individuals. To all the participants, I hope all of you enjoyed the conference and exploring my beautiful home city, Kota Kinabalu. To the 8RCCS Conference Committees, thank you for your hard work and commitment to ensuring the success of this conference.

Associate Professor Dr. Mohd, Rahimie Bin Abd, Karim

Dean of Faculty of Business, Economics and Accountancy, Universiti Malaysia Sabah



PREFACE



THE CONFERENCE CHAIR, 8TH REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON CAMPUS SUSTAINABILITY 2024

Peace be upon you.

Greetings from the Faculty of Business, Economics and Accountancy, Universiti Malaysia Sabah and it is a pleasure to welcome all the participants to the 8th Regional Conference on Campus Sustainability 2024 (8RCCS2024) organised by us in partnership with our long-standing collaborators, Adamson University (Philippines) and National Institute of Technology, Fukushima College (Japan).

As a founder of the conference, it is great to see how the conference has grown and evolved. We are very lucky to be able to host the conferences on a rotation basis in Malaysia, Philippines and Japan. I am also very proud of the fact that we have made this conference very accessible financially and enhanced academic integrity by partnering with our indexed journals, the Journal of BIMP-EAGA Regional Development and BIMP-EAGA Journal for Sustainable Tourism Development.

I would like to urge all participants to take the opportunity of the activities and discussions held during this conference to generate more interesting and innovative ideas to develop the topic of sustainability. It is my hope that this conference will further enhance our many efforts in raising awareness and concrete actions that stem from campus sustainability to the bigger environment, both local and international. What we do here is also a testament to such a growing partnership and joint endeavour between Asian countries that creates values and impact as we, Asian academic institutions need to be responsive not just to the academic environment but to meaningful interaction when it comes to sustainability.

A big appreciation to my hardworking committee team members and my colleagues at the Faculty of Business, Economics and Accountancy for making this conference happen and run smoothly. To all the participants, thank you and enjoy the conference!

"fortitudo et victoria"

Associate Professor Dr. Awangku Hassanal Pengiran Bagul Conference Chair, 8th Regional Conference on Campus Sustainability 2024



CONFERENCE PROGRAM

CONFERENCE DAY 1 - 24TH OF APRIL 2024 (WEDNESDAY)

TIME	PROGRAMME	PLATFORM
08.30 AM	Access to Session	Cisco Webex
09:00 AM	Online presentation – Concurrent Session 1 (C1A, C1B, C1C) Moderator (C1A): Dr. Mohd. Allif Anwar Abu Bakar, Universiti Malaysia Sabah Moderator (C1B): Dr. Rudy Ansar, Universiti Malaysia Sabah Moderator (C1C): Dr. Chew Tze Cheng @ Nur Alesha Chew, Universiti Malaysia Sabah Online presentation – Concurrent Session 2 (C2A, C2B) Moderator: Dr. Liu Hao, Shandong Jiaotong University, China	

CONFERENCE DAY 2 - 25TH OF APRIL 2024 (THURSDAY)

TIME	PROGRAMME	PLATFORM
08.30 AM	Registration	
09:00 AM	Session 1 Opening Ceremony Welcoming remarks by the Assoc. Prof. Dr. Awangku Hassanal Bahar Pengiran Bagul, Chairman of 8RCCS2024 Officiating speech by The Hon. Prof. Datuk Dr. Kasim Hj. Mansor, Vice- Chancellor of Universiti Malaysia Sabah Moderator: Mr. Datu Razali Datuk Datu Franza	Auditorium Biotechnology Research Institute
09:30 AM	Session 2 Keynote Speech 1 by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Fiffy Hanisdah Saikim Director of Institute for Tropical Biology and Conservation, Universiti Malaysia Sabah, Malaysia Photo Session and Press Conference Moderator: Mr. Datu Razali Datuk Datu Eranza	
10:30 AM	Coffee Break	
10:45 AM	Session 3 Concurrent Session 6, 7, 8	
12:30 PM	Lunch	
02:00 PM	Session 4 Opening Remarks by Fr. Daniel Franklin E. Pilario, CM, Ph.D., S.Th.D. President, Adamson University, Philippines Keynote Speech 2 by Dr. Ruben Navye Dean, College of Business Administration, Adamson University, PHILIPPINES Moderator: Dr. Saizal Piniaman	

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

CONFERENCE DAY 2 - 25TH OF APRIL 2024 (THURSDAY) - CONTINUED

TIME	PROGRAMME	PLATFORM
02:45 PM	Session 5	Auditorium
	Working Group Session	Biotechnology
	Working Group 1: EcoCampus	Research
	Chair: Dr. Robert Francis Peters	Institute
	Universiti Malaysia Sabah, Malaysia	
	Working Group 2: Self-Management in Sustainability Chair: Dr. Nuna Almanzor Adamson University, Philippines Working Group 3: Outreach and Human Resources Chair: Associate Professor Dr. Erika Watanabe National Institute of Technology, Fukushima College, Japan	
03:45 PM	Tea Break	
04:00 PM	Session 6 Concurrent Session 9, 10 and 11	

CONFERENCE DAY 3 - 26TH OF APRIL 2024 (FRIDAY)

TIME	PROGRAMME	PLATFORM
09:00 AM	Session 8 Opening Remarks by Professor Dr. Takahiro Honda representing Mr. Shigenori Taguchi, President, National Institute of Technology, Fukushima College, Japan Keynote Speech 3 by Professor Dr. Takahiro Honda Department of Business Communication, National Institute of Technology, Fukushima College, Japan Moderator: Mr. Datu Razali Datuk Datu Eranza	Auditorium Biotechnology Research Institute
09:45 AM	Coffee Break	
10:00 AM	Session 9 Working Group Forum Panel 1: Dr. Robert Francis Peters, (Universiti Malaysia Sabah) Panel 2: Dr. Nuna Almanzor (Adamson University) Panel 3: Associate Professor Dr. Erika Watanabe (National Institute of Technology, Fukushima College) Moderator: Dr. Oscar Dousin	
10:45 AM	Session 10 Signing of KOTA KINABALU DECLARATION 2024 by Universiti Malaysia Sabah, Malaysia, Adamson University, Philippines and National Institute of Technology, Fukushima College, Japan Moderator: Mr. Datu Razali Datuk Datu Eranza	

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

CONFERENCE DAY 3 - 26TH OF APRIL 2024 (FRIDAY) - CONTINUED

TIME	PROGRAMME	PLATFORM
11:00 AM	Session 11	Auditorium
	Closing Ceremony	Biotechnology
	Presentation of Certificates of Best Papers and Posters by Assoc. Prof. Dr.	Research
	Awangku Hassanal Bahar Pengiran Bagul and accompanied by Chief Judge	Institute
	Announcement of the 9th Regional Conference on Campus Sustainability 2025 Presentation of the 9th Regional Conference on Campus Sustainability 2025 host	
	Closing speech by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Awangku Hassanal Bahar Pengiran Bagul	
	Moderator: Mr. Datu Razali Datuk Datu Eranza	
11:30 AM	Session 12	Kampung
	Technical Visit to Desa Cinta Kobuni	Kobuni Inanam
12:00 PM	Lunch at Desa Cinta Kobuni	
02:00 PM	End of Conference	



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ARTWORK

Dimension : L:3ft W:0.5ft H:3ft
Material : Metal and paint

Year : 2024

Description: 2024 is the year of dragon, as a marine biologist turned upcycle sculptor/installation artist, A leafy seadragon is always an inspiration for me to create something magical which can only be found at the south of Australia. Sea-dragon are excellent in camouflaging and swim gracefully in the waves of shallow water together with the seaweeds, they are elegant and peaceful to be seen around so besides promoting the beauty of the marine environment which is dearly need our attention, TEMBUANGKA means monster/dragon in our Sabah local dialect, and RINA is the name for the female dragon. Artist would like to take this auspicious year of dragon to urge everyone to be brave and eager like dragons in protecting our environment for many many generations to come.



ARTIST PROFILE: MR. JAPSON WONG

Most people call me a junk artist or upcycle artist, because I make creative art pieces and occasionally sculptures out of junks, despite limited background in arts (maybe just few compulsory art classes in my primary and secondary school).

My passion for arts, crafts, and sculptures started in 2013 when I did my own wedding car design using discarded Styrofoam and red cloths. With plenty of encouragement and support from family and friends I slowly develop more junk art pieces made out of unwanted PVCs, x-rays films, coffee capsules, juice bottles, wooden pallets, polycarbonate sheets. These creations can now be seen in shopping malls, hotels, art gallery, cafes, airport, shops around Sabah (and most likely on your social media, too). I hope my arts, often nature-themed, can inspire for more love towards Mother Nature, and therefore stronger support for conservation efforts.

Before I ventured into upcycling arts, I actually studied and worked as a marine scientist at Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS). As a research officer responsible for seaweed cultivation, I managed the UMS Seaweed Research Unit and consulted multiple companies/communities in Sabah, Sarawak (Kuching & Lawas) Kedah (Langkawi), Penang, Johor, and Indonesia (Batam & Acheh) on the setup of their seaweed farms.



CONFERENCE CHAIR



ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR DR. AWANGKU HASSANAL PENGIRAN BAGUL

Associate Professor Dr. Awangku Hassanal Bahar bin Pengiran Bagul is the Chairman for the 8RCCS2024. He has a Ph.D. (Commerce) in Tourism from Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand, M.Sc. Tourism Management from the University of Surrey and BA (Hons.) Business Administration from Coventry University. He previously sat in a working group for the United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) Malaysia and the Advisory Board for the International Sustainable Campus Network based in Zurich. He received The Golden Globe Tigers 2016: Social Innovation - Leadership Award for Excellence in Social Innovation and was named 50 Most Impactful Social Innovator (Global Listing) by World CSR Day in 2017 for his work in tourism and sustainability.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER 1

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR DR FIFFY HANISDAH SAIKIM

Associate Professor Dr. Fiffy Hanisdah Saikim holds the position of Associate Professor at the Institute for Tropical Biology and Conservation, Universiti Malaysia Sabah. She has an extensive academic background, having earned a Bachelor of Science (Honors) in Science and Aquatic Resource Management from Universiti Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS), a Master of Science in Nature Tourism from Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS), and a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Tourism from James Cook University in Australia. Currently, Dr. Fiffy also serves as the Director of the Institute for Tropical Biology and Conservation. Her contributions extend beyond academia, as she actively participates in the Environment and Health Pillars for the National Planetary Health Action Plan (NPHAP) under the Academy of Sciences Malaysia (ASM). Furthermore, she plays a pivotal role as the Lead Author of the Planetary Crisis Chapter in the Global Environment Outlook-7 (GEO-7) by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). Dr. Fiffy specializes in various fields, including community development, parks and protected areas conservation, and ecotourism studies. Her research interests have broadened over time and now encompass human-wildlife conflicts, environmental education, nature interpretation, Satoyama landscape, community-based tourism, nature tourism product prospecting, and entomological ecotourism (EntoTourism). Her expertise and dedication have significantly impacted the realm of conservation and sustainable tourism





KEYNOTE SPEAKER 2



DR. RUBEN NAVYE

Dr. Ruben Navye obtained his degrees in Economics from Bicol University, and Master's and PhD in Public Administration from UP Diliman. He have vast experience of 25+ years in the Academe (as Professor, Dean, Research Director, and Executive Director) and 20+ years in the Industry (as Economist, Consultant & Executive Vice President). He was ilnvited as lecturer, speaker, trainer in conferences and seminars both local and overseas. He wrote several journal articles, books and editor and als oa reviewer of international and local conference papers and journal publications. He is a CHED and PACUCOA accreditor. He spend 2 years as Senior Lecturer in Taylor's University, Malaysia and 2 years as Senior Lecturer in Inti International University, Malaysia. His two most current positions prior as Dean of AdU-Executive Director, Siena College Quezon City/EVP @ Ace2AcePrime Holdings Inc. and Professor (Part-Time) MBA Programs SouthvilleInternational School and Colleges, Holy Angel University. Currently, He is the dean at the College of Business Administration, Adamson University.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER 3

PROFESSOR DR. TAKAHIRO HONDA

Professor Dr. Takahiro Honda obtained his master's degree at Kanto Gakuin University in 2005. Completing the doctoral course at the same university in 2010, he joined as an associated professor in the Department of General Education at the National Institute of Technology (KOSEN), Fukushima College, in 2013. His research field centers on medieval English literature, particularly the works of Geoffrey Chaucer.







CHAIR FOR WORKING GROUP 1

DR. ROBERT FRANCIS PETERS

Dr. Robert Francis Peters is the director at UMS' sustainability office known as the EcoCampus Management Centre and a research fellow focusing on nature based tourism at the Institute for Tropical Biology and Conservation. He obtained his Arts Doctorate degree in Communication Media Studies from the Australian Monash University with the discovery of a new indigenous knowledge system i.e. indigenous hospitality. Of course, acknowledging his first bachelors degree in Biology and Masters of Science on Environment obtained from UMS and UKM respectively, we can sum up that Dr Robert is a person with many knowledge and skills. In fact, he comes to us with industrial experiences in tourism and human resource development. In the 1990s and 2000s, Dr Robert was part of a team that identified and developed new tourism occupations to support tourism operators and local homestay communities. He eventually went

on as external assessor and tourism human resource expert of the Jabatan Pembangunan Kemahiran. His end goal is to have academic education and technical training seamlessly integrated specifically for home and country.

DR. NUNA ALMANZOR

Dr. Nuna Almanzor is currently the Executive Director, Adamson University Center for Research and Development.. She manages the overall operations of the Center; conduct proposal evaluation, coordinates the implementation of faculty and student researches, provide operation funds for research, extends support for attendance to local and international conference and paper presentation, and publication of research outputs to refereed journals. She represents the University in Higher Education Institutes (HEIs) consortium and collaborative research undertakings. Dr. Nuna E. Almanzor is Chemical Engineering graduate of the University of Santos and completed her Postgraduate diploma in chemical engineering at Tokyo Institute of Technology, Tokyo Japan . Prior to joining the Adamson University ,she worked at the Industrial Technology Development Institute (ITDI) of the Ministry of Science and Technology (DOST)a nd became the first Lady Director . She served that office for 42 years where she was engaged in researches of different discipline, had several Intellectual property certificates and published research outputs.



CHAIR FOR WORKING GROUP 2



CHAIR FOR WORKING GROUP 3

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR DR. ERIKA WATANABE

In 2016, Associate Professor Dr. Erika Watanabe began to teach full time in the Department of Business Communication at the National Institute of Technology, Fukushima College. Her specialty is Education, with interests in SDGs, social issues and Political Science. Her goal as an educator is to impart a love of learning in her students by broadening their minds and outlook.



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DR .ANDI TAMSANG ANDI KELE

Dr. Andi Tamsang Andi Kele is the deputy chair and publication committees for the RRCCS2024. She is a senior lecturer and thevhead of hospitality management program at the Faculty of Business, Economics and Accountancy, Universiti Malaysia Sabah. She has a PhD hospitality management from the University of Waikato, New Zealand. Her field of research expertise is hospitality human resource management and tourist experiences.



MR. ANDY LEE CHEN HIUNG

Mr. Andy Lee Chen Hiung is a fellow member of Chartered Accountants of Australia and New Zealand (CAANZ), and a member of the Malaysia Institute of Accountants (MIA). He is the Director of Accounting Centre, Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS). He has been working as an Accounting Lecturer in UMS since 2009. Prior to joining UMS, he worked as an auditor for Deloitte International in Christchurch, New Zealand and a tax compliance officer with Deloitte Tax (Malaysia). In addition, he previously held various positions such as Group Accountant and Chief Financial Officer in various companies in the private sector.



DR. BORHAN SAREYA ABDULLAH

Dr. Borhan Sareya Abdullah, is a senior lecturer in human resource economics at the Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS). He has a PhD in labour economics from University of Aberdeen, Scotland. His current research focuses on issues related to labour migration in Malaysia. He has received several grants by Ministry of Higher Education and UMS. He has been a member of Global Labour Organization and the director of Centre for Investment, Endowmen dan Waqf at Universiti Malaysia Sabah.



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DR. CHEW TZE CHENG @ NUR ALESHA CHEW

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MR. DATU RAZALI DATUK DATU ERANZA

Mr. Datu Razali Datuk Datu Hj. Eranza is a lecturer from the Faculty of Business, Economics and Accounting, Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS). He currently holds the position of international mobility coordinator at the faculty, after serving as the faculty's core program coordinator and Coordinator for EU Support to Higher Education in ASEAN Region. He graduated with a master's degree in human Capital Management from Universiti Malaysia Sabah. The areas of research being carried out by him in the past five years include issues on human capital during-and-post pandemic era. In the period of 2020-2023, he has (co-) produced more than 50 works of publications, obtained more than seven innovation awards in the last four year. Within the last five years, he has conducted research with State and Federal government agencies.



DR. IZYANTI AWANG RAZLI

Dr. Izyanti Awang Razli is y a Senior Lecturer at the Faculty of Business, Economics and Accountancy, Universiti Malaysia Sabah. She received her undergraduate degree from Universiti Teknologi Mara (UiTM), specializing in Hotel Management and obtained her Master in International Tourism and Hospitality Management from Griffith University, Gold Coast, Australia. Dr Izyanti completed her PhD in Hotel and Tourism Management from Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) in 2020. Her doctoral research examines a theoretical model on guest behaviour in peer to peer accommodation in Malaysia. Dr Izyanti published a number of papers in journals and presented various academics as well as research-based papers at several national and international conferences. Her current research focus is in the area of tourism and hospitality management, specifically looking at management, strategy, operation and consumer behaviour in peer to peer accommodation



DR. MOHD. ALLIF ANWAR ABU BAKAR

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Abstract

The significance of SDGs lies in their ability to offer a comprehensive structure for tackling worldwide issues and advancing sustainable development in the realms of economy, society, and the environment. This study aims to investigate the relationship between SDGs and market returns. The final data sample of 74 firms was collected from the firm website and Eikon database from the year 2021-2022. The research reveals that although SDGs and market returns have no statistically significant relationship, a positive impact is detected, indicating potential appeal to investors. Moreover, adhering to SDGs demonstrates social responsibility and can yield regulatory advantages, potentially shaping frameworks and offering investors a sense of assurance in the face of environmental apprehensions. Conducting comparative studies in various geographical and market contexts, as well as longitudinal studies that monitor SDG initiatives and market returns, has the potential to deepen our comprehension of how regional disparities and economic cycles impact the connection between SDGs and market performance. Additionally, examining sector-specific intricacies may reveal industry-specific obstacles and prospects in aligning with SDGs to enhance financial performance.

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