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Plenary Session (15 November 2015)

Professor Tan Sri Dato' Dzul kifli Abdul Razak
President of The International Association of
Universities (IAU), Paris

Venue: Olympia (Lobby Level), Pullman Hotel & Resort

Time: 7.30 p.m

THEME: Education in a Globalised World: one knowledge? or many?



Dzul kifli Abdul Razak (or for short, **Dzul**) is the currently the 14th President of the International Association of Universities (IAU), a UNESCO-affiliated organisation, based in Paris. Prior to this, he was the President of Association of Southeast Asia Institutions of Higher Learning (ASAIHL) from 2007-2008. Currently, he is the holder of the Islamic Leadership Chair at the *Universiti Sains Islam Malaysia* (USIM), and an Honorary Professor at the University of Nottingham. He served as the 5th Vice-Chancellor of *Universiti Sains Malaysia* (USM) and held the office from 2000-2011. His other involvements include being a member of the Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) –

Advisory Education Hub Committee, Executive Council of the Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU), and Advisory Committee of the World Universities Forum, Davos (2008). He chairs the Global Secretariat of the Right Livelihood College, based at the University Of Bonn, Germany. He has also served as a member of the World Health Organisation (WHO) Expert Advisory Panel on Drug Policy and Management since 1995; and the WHO Scientific Committee of Tobacco Product Regulation (2004-2006).

At the national level, he was the Chair of the Malaysian Vice-Chancellors'/Rector's Committee and Malaysian Examination Council including being an Advisor to the National Higher Education Research Institute (IPPTN). He also chaired of METEOR Sdn. Bhd., the parent organisation of the Open University of Malaysia (OUM). He was also a member of the National Economic Advisory Council established in 2009 (until 2011) and a co-chaired of the Malaysian Industry-Government Group for High-Technology (MIGHT) from 2006 to 2011. Dzul is a Director of the Malaysian Productivity Corporation (formerly National Productivity Corporation) Board, since 2008, and chairs the Innovation and Consultative Panel. He also serves on the National Innovation Council, the National Biotechnology Implementation Committee, and the National IT Council and currently as a member of the Governance Council, and the Malaysian Innovation Agency (AIM). He is also a member of the Anti-Corruption Advisory Board (SPRM). He is a member of a number of Board of Trustees: MERCY Malaysia, MAKNA Malaysia, Razak School of Government, Asian Women Leadership University, MCKK Foundation, Prime Minister's Fellowship Exchange Programme (2008-2014), and Yayasan Bumiputra Pulau Pinang.

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More recently, he was made as Chair of Independent Review Panel on Education for Malaysia, beginning 2012. He is also the Co-editor of the People's Sustainability Treaty on Higher Education that was launched in conjunction with the Rio+20 Conference at Rio de Janeiro, June 20-22, 2012. He is a Fellow of the Academy of Sciences Malaysia (FASc), the World Academy of Art and Sciences

(FWAAS), the Malaysian Institute of Malaysia (FMIM) and an honorary lifetime member of the Asian Academy of Management. In 2014, he was recognised by the Asia-Pacific Brand Foundation as a recipient of The Most Eminent Brand Icon Leadership Award.

He has been a weekly columnist for Malaysia's leading daily, the *New Straits Times* since 1995 writing mainly on issues about education, science, and current events, and more recently The Sun. He has received a number of national, including honorifics, and international accolades for his work and services rendered to the community.