

10th International Malaysian Studies Conference Successfully Held

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TUESDAY, 16 AUGUST – The 10th International Malaysian Studies Conference (MSC 10) is being held at Dewan Resital, Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) from August 15 to 17. The theme for this conference is “Globalisation and Regionalism: Malaysia in ASEAN Community Building.” This is the first time that UMS is hosting the MSC together with Persatuan Sains Sosial Malaysia (PSSM) and Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM).

The opening ceremony was graced by the Sabah State Minister of Community Development and Consumer Affairs, YB Datuk Hajah Jainab Datuk Seri Panglima Haji Ahmad Ayid. Datuk Hajah Jainab emphasized in her speech the need for input from the academic community on government policy work. She also enumerated some of her advocacy which include the discussion of ASEAN as a regional organization that will ensure the interests of all its peoples. Another area of personal interest for Datuk Jainab is the continuous work of mainstreaming gender issues within Sabah and throughout Malaysia’s own development goals. She proudly announced that the State has already earmarked August 27 as Malaysian Women’s Day in Sabah and has invited all the participants to join in this commemoration.

This event was also attended by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research and Innovation), Professor Dr. Shahril Yusof. The President of the Malaysian Social Sciences Association (PSSM) and IKMAS Director, UKM, Professor Dr. Rashila Ramli and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Rosazman Hussin, representing the Faculty of Humanities, Arts and Humanities, UMS, as co-organizers, welcomed all the participants to the MSC 10 and to Universiti Malaysia Sabah.

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