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## The 1st Regional Conference on Sustainable Development: “Local Solutions for Global Problems”

19th – 20th August 2008  
Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM)  
Pulau Pinang, Malaysia

### PURPOSE

The main purpose of Universiti Sains Malaysia and Yayasan Tun Razak in organizing this conference is to showcase the possible local and regional knowledge, researches, activities and resources which can be utilized in addressing the challenges confronting us through synergistic local initiatives. These challenges are those which ultimately determine our prospects for sustainable development.

### THEMES

The conference is consisted of two full days of plenary sessions and discussions in 5 sustainable development related themes as follow:

- Sustainable Energy Options for the Future
- Sustainable Agriculture
- Sustainable Built Environment
- Natural Environment
- Dilemmas of Modernization

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND

The conference would provide an opportunity for the members of the ASEAN scientific community to share their research with others in the region as well as globally. It would also provide a platform for researchers in the region to establish networks for sharing experiences and best practices. The participants would include academics, researchers, policy-makers, reform experts, corporate leaders, and representatives of governmental and non-governmental organizations.

### FEATURED SPEAKERS:

A. H. Zakri, United Nations University, Japan  
Christian P. Scherrer, Hiroshima Peace Institute, Japan  
Viraphol Jirapraditkul, Thai Energy Policy and Planning Office, Thailand  
Robert S. Zeigle, International Rice Research Institute (IRRI), Philippines  
Emil Salem, Member of the UN High Level Advisory Board on Sustainable Development, Indonesia  
Surin Pitsuwan, Secretary General of the ASEAN

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REGISTRATION FEE:

**FREE**

(inclusive of conference materials, 2 lunches,  
1 welcome dinner, coffee breaks & excursion)