



Asian Youth Leaders Climate Forum (AYLCF)

INTRODUCTION

Climate change is the variation in the Earth's global climate or in regional climates over time. It involves changes in the variability or average state of the atmosphere over durations ranging from decades to millions of years. These changes can be caused by dynamic processes on Earth, external forces including variations in sunlight intensity, and more recently by human activities.

Recently in 2007, the British Council, in liaison with World Wildlife Fund (WWF), had launched a program called climate security. Climate security is the biggest challenge facing the world today and while the world's leaders debate the pros and cons of different mitigation and adaptation strategies and their economic implications, we want young people to start taking action NOW.

The British Council had designed an online forum known as Asian Young Leaders Climate Forum (AYLCF). This site is designed for young people in 18-35 age range from any area (business, education, environment, health, agriculture, law, media, etc.) who are concerned about climate security and wish to join a group of similar minded individuals keen to make a difference in East Asia, the Pacific and beyond.

The website provides young people, that is, tomorrow's leaders, with a networking platform, to share knowledge, experience and practical ideas for taking action to reduce the impact of climate change on their own communities.

AYLCF members were selected in each Asian country. The first meeting was held in Bogor, Indonesia from 3-7 December 2007 and three Malaysians were selected by BC Malaysia. At the end of Bogor program, six members were selected to join the international Conference of Parties (UNFCCC COP13) in Bali including a Malaysian. The second phase of the forum after the meeting in Bogor was to create a wide network among young leaders across countries. Therefore, the British Council Malaysia has decided to make a tour to Malaysian local universities to promote the forum.

The road tour in Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia is jointly organised by the BC and the Institute for Environment and Development (LESTARI), UKM, via the Sustainable UKM Programme (Program UKM Lestari).



OBJECTIVE

The overall objective of the tour is to contribute to public awareness on the reduction of carbon among Malaysian society. The immediate objectives are:

- To introduce global warming issue at selected Malaysian universities;
- To promote AYLCF to Malaysian young leaders; and
- To encourage more Malaysian young leaders to participate in AYLCF activities.

TARGET GROUP

Malaysian university students and young lecturers (age between 18-35 years old) from various field of studies.

DATE & VENUE

18 March 2008 (Tuesday); Bilik Kuliah PPS, Tingkat 1, Bangunan LESTARI

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

- 0830 Registration
- 0900 Welcoming Remarks (by Prof. Dr. Mazlin Mokhtar, Director of LESTARI)
- 0910 Introduction to Sustainable UKM Programme (by Datin Paduka Dr. Halimaton Saadiah Hashim, Chairman of Sustainable UKM Programme)
- 0930 Introduction to Global Warming & Climate Change (by Ms. Siti Khadijah Abdul Ghani, AYLCF)
- 1000 Introduction of AYLCF (by Ms. Siti Khadijah Abdul Ghani, AYLCF)
- 1000 AYLCF Registration
- 1030 Refreshment and End of Programme

INQUIRY/REGISTRATION

If you would like to make an inquiry or register, kindly email to Cik Nurul Akmar Rasli (akmarasli@yahoo.com) or Cik Muslimah Md. Noor (muslimah_mn@yahoo.com), or by calling 03-89214159.

