

**ForUm Urban Experts Conference on
“National Urban Development Strategies in Southeast Asia”
Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia
Universiti Malaysia Sarawak, Kota Samarahan
17th-26th June 2018**

17 June 2018 Sunday	Arrival in Kuching
18 June 2018 Monday	
0830	Registration
0900	Opening Ceremony & Welcome Address by the Vice Chancellor of UNIMAS. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Neilson Illan, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences & Humanities, UNIMAS. Speech by Head of ForUm Network, Prof. Dr. Frauke Kraas, University of Cologne. Speech by the Chairman, Local Organising Committee, Dr. Arnold Puyok, Deputy Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences & Humanities.
0945	Group Photograph
1015	Tea break
1100	<u>Session 1: Introduction:</u> Prof. Dr. Frauke Kraas, “Habitat III, SDGs, New Urban Agenda – challenges of integration into national urban development strategies”. <u>Session 2A: National Urban Development Strategies in Malaysia</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Goh Hong Ching, “Localizing SDGs and NUA- how will this be achievable for Malaysian medium-sized cities?” • Prof. Dr. Lee Boon Thong, “The rabbit hole syndrome: Implementing the NUA Smart Cities objective”. • Ms Sarah Tin Joo Yen, “Development, livability and signs of climate change, Malaysia”.
1230	Discussants: Dr. Anselmo Mercado (Philippines) & Assoc. Prof. Dr. Rini Rachmawati (Indonesia).
1245	Lunch

<p>1345</p> <p>1515</p> <p>1530</p> <p>1600</p> <p>1700</p>	<p><u>Session 2B: National Urban Development Strategies in Malaysia</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Wong Swee Kiong, “Challenges faced and strategies towards a sustainable urban future in Kuching”. • Dr. Lawrence Tseu Sed Kong, “National urban development strategies in Southeast Asia - UN Sustainable Goal 11: the barriers to change in achieving sustainable urban transport”. • Datuk Dr. John Lau Pang Heng, “Citizen perception on fear of crime In Kuching”. <p>Discussants: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Noel Alegre (Philippines) & Dr. Ta Quynh Hoa (Vietnam).</p> <p>Tea break</p> <p><u>Session 3A: National Urban Development Strategies in Indonesia</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assoc. Prof. Dr. Rini Rachmawati, “Implementing New Urban Agenda in Indonesia: challenges and urban development strategies”. • Assoc. Prof. Dr. Djaka Marwasta, "Implementation of sustainable cities and communities in Indonesia: reflection of ‘100-0-100 Program’ achievement”. <p>Session ends</p>
<p>19 June 2018 Tuesday</p>	
<p>0900</p> <p>1000</p> <p>1015</p> <p>1045</p> <p>1245</p>	<p><u>Session 3B: National Urban Development Strategies in Indonesia</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Suryadi Jo Santoso, “City without slums and the National Affordable Housing - two strategic programs towards “City For All””. • Ms. Nurul Fakriah, “The implementation of Kota Tanpa Kumuh (KOTAKU/City without Slums Program in Banda Aceh, Indonesia”. <p>Discussants for Sessions 3A & 3B: Dr. Hieu Nguyen Ngoc (Vietnam) & Dr. Goh Hong Ching (Malaysia).</p> <p>Tea break</p> <p><u>Session 4: National Urban Development Strategies in Vietnam</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assoc. Prof. Dr. Le Thu Hoa, “The GrEEEn Cities approach and Green City Action Plans in Vietnam”. • Dr. Ngoc Ngyuen Hieu, “Transforming Vietnam national urban development growth model in the new era – resource allocation perspective”. • Dr. Ta Quynh Hoa, “Introduction on Vietnam National Urban Development Strategy to 2020, Vision 2030 - prospect and challenges in implementation”. • Ms. Le Thi Thuy Ha, “Vietnam urban green growth: challenges and actions”. <p>Discussants: Engr. Dexter Sumaylo Lo (Philippines) & Dr. Poline Bala (Sarawak)</p>

1300	Lunch
1400	<p><u>Session 5: National Urban Development Strategies in Germany</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Dr. Frauke Kraas, “National urban development strategies in Germany – and the role of the Leipzig Charta”.
1430	Discussant: Dr. Suryadi Jo Santoso (Indonesia) & Prof. Dr. Sekson Yongvanit (Thailand).
1445	<p><u>Session 6A: National Urban Development Strategies in Thailand</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Dr. Sekson Yongvanit, “Cooperation between PPP is a key success for Khon Kaen’s Smart City Development”. • Dr. Chaiyan Rajchagool, “The growth of cities and their impacts on eco-political development: the case of Thailand”.
1545	Tea break
1615	<p><u>Session 6B: National Urban Development Strategies in Thailand</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Rattikarn Khambud, “Unplanned urbanization and natural disaster in Thailand”. • Assist. Prof. Dr. Pornnarong Charnnuwong, “Tourism Potential in East West Economic Corridor of Thailand and Myanmar (from Khon Kaen to Mae Sot and Myawaddy)”.
1715	Discussants for Sessions 6A & 6B): Prof. Dr. Lee Boon Thong (Malaysia) & Dr. Le Thu Hoa (Vietnam).
1730	Session ends
20 June 2018	
Wednesday	
0900	<p><u>Session 7: Special Session</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Dr. Frauke Kraas will brief on the WBGU, Prezi Comic on Urbanisation, DAAD, University of Cologne.
0930	<p><u>Session 8: National Urban Development Strategies in Lao PDR</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Chanthasack Bottaphanith, “The Urban Development Strategy, Lao PDR”. • Dr. Xayaphone Vongvilay, “Challenges and approaches for sustainable urban development in Luangprabang, Lao PDR”.
1030	Discussants: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Djaka Marwasta (Indonesia)& Ms. Lorna Sibala-Manila (Philippines).
1045	Tea break

1130	Session 9: Special session by Mr. Brian Trenaman, Director, DAAD information Centre, Kuala Lumpur.
1230	Lunch
1400	<u>Session 10: National Urban Development Strategies in Cambodia</u>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Prak Angkeara, “The National Urban Development Strategy Framework for Cambodia”.
1430	Discussants: Dr. Arnold Puyok (Sarawak) & Dr. Rattikarn Khambud (Thailand).
1445	<u>Session 11A: National Urban Development Strategies in the Philippines</u>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Lorna Sibala-Manila, “Sustainable urban infrastructure development: institutional and urban governance issues in Metropolitan Cebu, Philippines”. • Assoc. Prof. Dr. Noel Cornel Alegre, “Bicol Regional Development Plan 2017-2022: a snap shot of SDG’s integration in the Philippine National Development Plan”.
1545	Tea break
1615	<u>Session 11B: National Urban Development Strategies in the Philippines</u>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engr. Dexter Sumaylo Lo & Dr. Anselmo Mercado, “Urban waste management in a changing climate: the case of Bitan-ag Creek”.
1715	Discussants for Sessions 11A & 11B: Dr. Chaiyan Rajchagool (Thailand) & Dr. Xayaphone Vongvilay (Lao, PDR).
1730	Session ends
21 June 2018	
Thursday	
0730	Excursion to longhouse settlement – economic activities, outmigration, forest ecology (jungle walk), cultural life styles of the Bidayuh.
1230	Traditional Bidayuh lunch and return to UNIMAS
1530	<u>Session 12A: National Urban Development Strategies in Myanmar</u>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Moe Moe Hlaing Myint, “Planning practice and regional development”. • Assoc. Prof. Ms. San San Moe, “The role of urban planning in Myanmar during its transitional period”. • Mrs. Thaw Tar Htet Htet Paing, “Urbanization trends in Myanmar”.
1700	Sessions ends

22 June 2018	
Friday	
0900	<p><u>Session 12B: National Urban Development Strategies In Myanmar</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daw Aye Aye Myint, Deputy Director-General, “Strategic urban policy in Myanmar: deconcentrated urbanisation, decentralisation and development corridors”. • Prof. Dr. Seng Aung, “Urbanization of hillside city, Pang Sau, Na Ga Land, Myanmar”.
1000	Discussants: Prof. Dr. Frauke Kraas (Germany) & Assist. Prof. Dr. Pornnarong Charnuwong (Thailand).
1015	Proceed to Ministry of Local Government.
1215	Lunch
1315	Site visit to LKIM Tanjung Bako New Fishing Complex.
1500	<u>Session 13: Group discussions</u> - Interim observations and conclusions in comparing the different national urban strategies in Southeast Asia.
1600	<u>Session 14: Group discussions</u> - Interim reflection on comparative view of lessons learnt and cross-cutting issues in national urban development strategies in Southeast Asia: comparison of strategies, priorities, and leadership institutions.
1700	Session ends
1800	Excursion: Informal markets (“pasar malam”) in Siniawan – how fringe small towns are coping economically.
23 June 2018	
Saturday	
0900	Excursion to the peri-urban fringe of Kuching: any strategies for development corridor projects in urban peripheries?
1230	Lunch and return to UNIMAS
1500	<u>Session 15: Group discussions</u> - Lessons learnt: shifting urban policies from secondary to tertiary sector development in urban peripheries.
1600	<u>Session 16: Group discussions</u> - national standards of mediation and conflict resolution in urban areas.
1700	Session ends
24 June 2018	
Sunday	
0900	<u>Session 17: Panel group discussions</u> - National development strategies and the New Urban Agenda in Southeast Asia: status quo and way ahead? Short

	presentations by ForUm representatives of participating countries.
1000	Tea break
1030	<u>Session 18: Group work</u> - Framing national urban development strategies: elements and requirements from the different countries in Southeast Asia.
1130	<u>Session 19: Group work</u> - Approaching an ASEAN-wide urban development strategy: possible contents, strategic alliances, process of establishing an ASEAN discussion on national urban development strategies.
1230	Lunch
1330	City centre walkabout – Chinatown, Kampong Boyan Malay village, Fort Margherita, Kuching Waterfront.
1830	Farewell dinner
<u>25 June 2018</u> <u>Monday</u>	
0900	<u>Session 20: Group work</u> - Operational strategies: widening the expert network, publications, networks, institutional arrangements.
1030	Tea break
1100	<u>Session 21: Public Forum and Plenary Discussion</u> - Suggestions from the ForUm group – lessons learnt for national urban development strategies.
1200	<u>Session 22: ForUm conclusion</u> - Assessment of the expert seminar, outcomes, priorities, continuation of ForUm work and exchange.
1300	Lunch
1400	<u>Final session:</u> Individual bi-/multi-lateral discussion for cross country research and teaching projects, post-doctoral exchange programmes, curriculum development initiatives, follow-up joint publications, etc.
1500	Session ends.
<u>26 June 2018</u> <u>Tuesday</u>	
Departure for home	