



Malaysia's Human Resources Development Fund (HRDF) Announces Four New Board Members

KUALA LUMPUR, 10 December 2018 – The Human Resources Development Fund (HRDF), Malaysia announces the appointment of four new members to its Board of Directors, as well as the full slate of its Board of Directors for the year 2018.

Joining HRDF's Board of Directors are **YBhg. Dato' Raiha Azni Abd Rahman**, **YBhg. Datuk Haji Abdul Kadir bin M.E Sikkandar**, **YBrS Mr. Sia Tze Yong**, and **YBrS Mr. Govindasamy Annamalai**.

Dato' Raiha Azni is a member of the Executive Leadership Team at Petroliam Nasional Berhad (PETRONAS) in the capacity of senior vice-president of group human resource management. As a PETRONAS scholar, she pursued her degree in marketing at Syracuse University in the United States and has been with PETRONAS since 1984. Dato' Raiha is also a member of the Malaysian Employers Federation (MEF).

Datuk Haji Abdul Kadir is the CEO of BTC Group, a highly diversified organization that operates with four (4) main member-companies under its fold. Datuk Abdul Kadir's entrepreneurial skills won him the Excellent Entrepreneur Award from the Malay Chamber of Commerce (DPMM) for 2009/2010. In addition, Datuk Abdul Kadir also serves as an advisor to Polytechnic Kota Kinabalu, Sabah.

A leading retailer with 14 years of vast experience specialising in premium grocery markets in East Malaysia, Mr. Sia Tze Yong is the Executive Director of Everise Departmental Store Sdn. Bhd. Prior to this, he was an academic researcher specialising in the Australian IPO market.

Mr. Govindasamy is the Deputy President of Educational Welfare and Research Foundation (EWRF), Malaysia and an advisor to EWRF's Tanjong Malim Branch. EWRF, a non-profit organisation well-known for their Civil Society Intervention (CSI), supports primary and secondary students from poor socio-economic background.

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About the Human Resources Development Fund (HRDF) or Kumpulan Wang Pembangunan Sumber Manusia

Tracing its origin to the Year 1993 as Majlis Pembangunan Sumber Manusia, the Human Resources Development Fund (HRDF) or Kumpulan Wang Pembangunan Sumber Manusia is an agency under the purview of the Ministry of Human Resources Malaysia.

Governed by the Pembangunan Sumber Manusia Berhad Act 2001 (PSMB Act 2001), HRDF was given the mandate by the Malaysian Government to catalyse the development of competent local workforce that will contribute to Malaysia's vision of becoming a high-income economy.

Since its inception, HRDF has evolved from managing a sizeable fund to becoming a one-stop-centre for providing novel human capital development solutions to its registered employers and the critical mass of Small, Medium Enterprises in Malaysia.

Additionally, HRDF continues to be steadfast in its effort towards encouraging employers covered under the PSMB Act 2001 to re-train and upgrade the skills of their local employees, apprentices and trainees in keeping with the fast-evolving global business landscape while meeting the aspirations of their respective company/companies.

More information is available at www.hrdf.com.my

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