

ASAIHL 2026 - Asian Lifelong Learning Conference 2026



The poster for the ASAIHL 2026 conference features a background image of a mosque with a golden dome and a mountain. The text is arranged in a structured layout with logos at the top, followed by the conference title, theme, location, dates, organizers, keynote speakers, important dates, themes, and conference highlights. Logos for KPSTI, UMS, and ASAIHL are at the top. The title 'ASIAN LIFELONG LEARNING CONFERENCE (ASAIHL) 2026' is in large blue letters. The theme 'Bridging Borders and Building Futures: Lifelong Learning for Sustainable Development and Digital Transformation in Asia' is in smaller text. The location 'KOTA KINABALU, SABAH, MALAYSIA' and dates '3rd - 5th JULY 2026' are in a blue box. The organizers 'UNIVERSITI MALAYSIA SABAH (UMS)' are listed below. Keynote speakers include Dato' Professor Dr. Mohammad Shatar Bin Sabran and Professor Dr. Ag. Asri Bin Ag. Ibrahim. Important dates are listed for July 3, 4, and 5, 2026. Themes include Lifelong Learning for Inclusive & Sustainable Development, Digital Transformation & Innovation in Education, Industry-Academia-Government Partnerships in Upskilling and Reskilling, Community Empowerment through Lifelong Learning, Policy, Leadership, and Governance in Lifelong Learning, and Lifelong Learning and the Future of Work in Asia. Conference highlights include Country & Parallel Session and Networking & Collaboration Opportunities. Logos for Malaysia Madani, Bertekad Cemerlang, #UMStheBRAInofBORNEO, #BrainofBorneo, and UMS Borneo are at the bottom. The website <https://lpc.ums.edu.my/event/184/> is also provided.

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The Association of Southeast Asian Institutions of Higher Learning

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"Bridging Borders and Building Futures:
Lifelong Learning for Sustainable Development and
Digital Transformation in Asia"

KOTA KINABALU, SABAH, MALAYSIA
3rd - 5th JULY 2026

ORGANISED BY
UNIVERSITI MALAYSIA SABAH (UMS)

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Dato' Professor Dr. Mohammad Shatar Bin Sabran
Chief Executive Officer
Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA)

Professor Dr. Ag. Asri Bin Ag. Ibrahim
UMS Chief Digital Officer
Digital Department, Universiti Malaysia Sabah

IMPORTANT DATES

JULY 3 2026 ASAIHL Board Meeting

JULY 4 2026 ASAIHL 2026 Conference (Day 1)

JULY 5 2026 ASAIHL 2026 Conference (Day 2)

THEMES

- ✓ Lifelong Learning for Inclusive & Sustainable Development
- ✓ Digital Transformation & Innovation in Education
- ✓ Industry-Academia-Government Partnerships in Upskilling and Reskilling
- ✓ Community Empowerment through Lifelong Learning
- ✓ Policy, Leadership, and Governance in Lifelong Learning
- ✓ Lifelong Learning and the Future of Work in Asia

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Country & Parallel Session

Networking & Collaboration Opportunities

MALAYSIA MADANI Bertekad Cemerlang

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UMS BORNEO

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Friday, July 3, 2026 - Sunday, July 5, 2026

Scientific Program

Track 1: Lifelong Learning For Inclusive & Sustainable Development

This track examines how lifelong learning expands equitable access to higher learning while advancing sustainability outcomes. It welcomes work on inclusive pathways, community impact, and SDG-aligned learning across the lifespan.

Track 2: Digital Transformation and Innovation in Education

This track focuses on how universities are transforming teaching, learning, and student services through digital innovation. Topics include online/hybrid models, AI-enabled learning, learning analytics, open education, and addressing digital equity.

Track 3: Industry–Academia–Government Partnerships in Upskilling and Reskilling

This track explores cross-sector collaborations that build job-ready and future-ready skills through co-designed programmes and credentials. It highlights scalable partnership models, work-integrated learning, and workforce development initiatives.

Track 4: Policy, Leadership, and Governance in Lifelong Learning

This track addresses the policies, leadership approaches, and governance systems that enable sustainable lifelong learning ecosystems. It welcomes contributions on quality assurance, financing, recognition of prior learning, and institutional strategy.

Track 5: Community Empowerment through Lifelong Learning

This track highlights how lifelong learning strengthens communities through university–community engagement, knowledge transfer, and social innovation. It welcomes examples of community-based learning, service learning, and programmes that build resilience and wellbeing.

Track 6: Lifelong Learning and The Future of Work in Asia

This track examines the critical intersection between continuous education and the rapidly evolving labor market across the Asian continent. As industries undergo digital transformation, this track

explores how lifelong learning systems can be redesigned to address the "skills gap" and prepare a resilient workforce for the future.