## KEY NOTE ADDRESS DURING THE 21<sup>ST</sup> ICPAK SEMINAR HELD IN MALAYSIA 22-25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2016

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## WELCOME ADDRESS

## **MALAYSIA**

- Total landmass of 329,845 km<sup>2</sup> Kuala Lumpur is the Capital city Putrajaya is administrative centre.
- Population 31.0 Million (2015)
- > Malay and Indigenous (68.1%)
- Chinese (24.8%)
- > Indians (7.1 %)
- > Other less then 1%
- > Sunni Islam is the predominant religion
- Language Bahasa Melayu (Malay)
- > English widely used

- Federation of Malaya was established on 31 August 1957
- Federation was enlarged by the accession of Singapore, Sabah and Sarawak
- Singapore left the Federation on 9 August 1965
- federal constitutional monarchy and a parliamentary democracy
- > Head of State as the Yang di-Pertuan Agong (King)
- > Head of Government as the Prime Minister

- Governing coalition has been in power since Independence
- Progressed from an economy dependent on agriculture and primary commodities to a manufacturing-based
- > Export-driven economy
- > Envisions transforming into high income country by the year 2020
- According to key development indicators

- Malaysia is a high middleincome, export-oriented economy, with a GDP of USD 292.22B
- > 1960 it was USD 79.67B
- > Her GDP per Capita is 108,760.73
- > GDP growth rate is 4.30

## RECENT GLOBAL RANKINGS

- Malaysia is ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> as a global offshoring destination 'Kearney Global Services location Index 2016'
- > 4<sup>th</sup> in protecting Investors by `World Bank Doing Business, June 2016 Report'
- > 6<sup>th</sup> most attractive destination according to` Baseline Profitability Index BPI,2015'
- > 19<sup>th</sup> most competitive economy in overall performance
- > 15<sup>th</sup> IMD World Talent Rankings(IMD's World Competitive Year Book 2015)
- > 25<sup>th</sup> most competitive nation in the world `WEF Global Competitive Report,2016~2017'
- In 2015 Malaysia recorded 25.7m tourist arrivals and RM.69.1 Billion
- > Target by 2020 to reach 36M tourist arrivals and RM168 Billion



#### Main trading partner is ASEAN with a trade



Volume of USD 102.85 billion



Export is USD.199.87Billion



Electrical products 35.6%



Chemical and Chemical products 7.1%



Petroleum products7.0%



Liquefied Natural Gas 6.1%



Palm oil and Palm based products 5.8%



Machinery appliances and parts 4.6%

## **IMPORTS**

• Electrical and electronic products, Refined petroleum products, Palm oil, Liquefied natural gas (LNG), Chemicals and chemical products and Crude petroleum while top imports are: Electrical and electronic products, refined petroleum products, chemical and chemical products, machinery, appliances and parts, Transport equipment, manufacturers of metal, crude petroleum, iron and steel products, optical & scientific equipment and processed foods.

## INVESTMENT ENVIRONMENT

Political stability

liberal investment policies

Vibrant economy

Cost- competitiveness

Well-developed infrastructure

strong supporting industries and services

good quality of life

productive workforce

strong, efficient and resilient financial services industry

### **KENYA AND MALAYSIA**

- Enjoy cordial relationship
- Kenya has maintained a resident Mission in Kuala Lumpur since 1996
- Malaysia, which hitherto maintained a Trade Commission, opened a fully-fledged Diplomatic Mission in Nairobi, in 2005

#### **MOUs**

- Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation in the field of Tourism signed in June, 2012
- Memorandum of Understanding on Science and Technology and in Planning and Implementation of Road Projects signed in 2007.

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- Bilateral Air Services Agreement signed in 2007.
- Special Prorate Agreement between
   Malaysian Airline System Berhad and Kenya Airways Ltd in 2005.
- •Other proposed Memoranda of Understanding which are at different stages of their conclusion include:

- Memorandum of Understanding on Education
   pending on the Malaysian side.
- Bilateral Trade Agreement Pending on the Kenyan side.
- Double Taxation Agreement ~ negotiations on going.

• Kenya is 6<sup>th</sup> Malaysia's trading partner in Africa after South Africa Egypt, Nigeria and Mauritius and Angola.

#### KENYA'S MAIN EXPORT PRODUCTS

- Soda ash
- Marine Products
  - Tea & Mate,
    - Tobacco
    - Vegetable
      - Lime
      - Cement
- Household Goods
  - Fats
  - Natural Gas
- Contraction Materials
  - Textiles
- Telecommunication Equipment Television

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