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MALAYSIA GEARS UP TO LEAD GLOBAL TALKS ON FUTURE OF SOCIAL SECURITY

KUALA LUMPUR: Global attention will turn to Malaysia as the World Social Security Forum 2025 (WSSF) takes place at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre (KLCC).

The five-day forum, from 29 September to 3 October, will bring together leaders of nearly 300 social security organisations from all continents to discuss the challenges of social protection in a rapidly changing world.

The global triennial forum will be officiated by Prime Minister Dato' Seri Anwar Ibrahim and attended by Human Resources Minister Steven Sim Chee Keong and International Social Security Association (ISSA) President Dato' Sri Dr Mohammed Azman Aziz Mohammed.

Themed '**Shaping Social Security for a World in Transition**', the forum will discuss challenges and opportunities arising from global demographic changes, dynamic labour markets and technological advancements, in addition to exploring efforts toward the sustainability of social protection.

More than 1,500 delegates from over 150 countries are expected, including Ministers, Chief Executive Officers, technical experts and representatives of international organisations.

Among the distinguished participants are World Bank Global Lead on Aging and Pensions Fiona Elizabeth Stewart and International Labour Organization (ILO) Social Protection Director Razavi Shahrashoub.

Delegates from countries such as the United States, China, Germany, Spain, Brazil, Iceland, Switzerland, Oman, Cameroon, Türkiye, India and Uruguay will also be part of the programme in Kuala Lumpur.

The conference will also showcase Malaysia's approach to social security, to be highlighted in a National Plenary Session by several Malaysian Ministers, including Steven Sim; Investment, Trade and Industry Minister Tengku Datuk Seri Zafrul Abdul Aziz; Health Minister Datuk Seri Dr. Dzulkefly Ahmad; Digital Minister Gobind Singh Deo; Youth and Sports Minister Hannah Yeoh; and Women, Family and Community Development Minister Dato' Sri Nancy Shukri.

"WSSF 2025 is a key platform to discuss and explore new ideas, innovations, and futuristic approaches.

“This conference will explore innovative and forward-looking ideas to strengthen social security systems, so they remain relevant, inclusive and resilient in the face of current global challenges,” said Social Security Organization (PERKESO) in a statement today.

Over the five days, the forum will be a central space for knowledge exchange and international cooperation, combining plenary sessions, parallel sessions, interactive sessions, workshop, tutorials and the innovation zone to provide a holistic and in-depth experience for all participants.

For the first time, the forum will introduce the International Social Security Video Festival and Awards, designed to celebrate a commitment to promoting social security.

Additionally, the ISSA Award for Outstanding Achievement will be presented to countries that demonstrate exceptional success in strengthening their social security systems.

WSSF 2025 is organised by the International Social Security Association (ISSA), with co-host by PERKESO and the Employees Provident Fund (EPF). This program is also supported by the Retirement Fund (Incorporated) [KWAP] and the Implementation Coordination Unit, Prime Minister's Department (ICU JPM), as the secretariat of the Malaysian Social Protection Council (MySPC).

For more information regarding this forum, please visit the website www.issa.int/wssf2025.

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