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Chairman's Notes

This year is a significant year for the Incorporated Society of Planters (ISP). It is celebrating its 100 years of existence. The celebration started with the ISP Centenary Golf Tournament on the 13th of July followed by the 9th International Planters Conference on the 15th - 16th of July 2019. The successful conference highlighted the transformations needed to confront multidimensional challenges in the planting industry. It was graced by Duli Yang Maha Mulia Paduka Seri Sultan Perak Darul Ridzuan Sultan Nazrin Muizzuddin Shah ibni Almarhum Sultan Azlan Muhibbuddin Shah Al-Maghfur-Lah. His Royal Highness Sultan Nazrin officiated the conference with an impactful royal address on meeting the challenges in the planting industry. With more than 600 participants including senior higher government officials and foreign ambassadors, the conference managed to bridge a strong relationship between all parties in the plantation industry. This is important to ensure that the plantation industry regains the number one position as the biggest economic contributor of Malaysia's economy. ISP will remain relevant to protect the welfare of Planters.

I was also delighted to receive the highest award of ISP i.e. the FISP during the Conference Dinner on the 15th of July 2019. During the dinner, HRH

Sultan Nazrin launched The ISP Centenary Coffee Table Book **The Planters' Centenary**. HRH who had just launched his own book which paid tribute to all the communities in Malaysia's evolution, graced the conference banquet to launch the book that traces back the 100-years history of ISP.



I would like to record our appreciation to the speakers, session chairmen, panelists, poster presenters, sponsors, exhibitors and advertisers, Conference Organising, Technical and Poster Selection Committees and Secretariat staff and all those who have contributed towards the success of the Conference and 100-years ISP Centenary Celebration. I wish everyone great days ahead and live up to the spirit of ISP motto "Sentiasa Maju"

Datuk Haji Daud Haji Amatzin, PJK, AISP, FISP

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ISP CELEBRATING 100 YEARS 1919 - 2019

This year, The Incorporated Society of Planters celebrated its 100th year since its establishment in 1919. Thus, to commemorate this significant milestone, ISP hosted the 9th International Planters Conference 2019 from 15th – 17th of July 2019 at Royale Chulan, Kuala Lumpur, with the theme; Plantation Industry: Charting the Future – Transforming People: Policies: Processes. The conference was graced and officially opened by a royal address by Duli Yang Maha Mulia Paduka Seri Sultan Perak Darul Ridzuan Sultan Nazrin Muizzuddin Shah ibni Almarhum Sultan Azlan Muhibbuddin Shah Al-Maghfur-Lah. HRH Sultan Nazrin, in his speech, highlighted two ways of meeting the challenges faced by the plantation industry especially the palm oil sector which is by far the most valuable crop in economic terms to the country; 1) Further progressing on sustainability through advances in productivity and efficiency and 2) Emphasize on the progress already made by the sector towards limiting its negative impacts.

In addition, the honorable Sir Jonathon Porritt through his keynote address, captured the essence of the conference with an engaging address on The Future of Palm Oil: From Confrontation to Collaboration. His unbiased and forthright facts on reconciling confrontations faced by palm oil is in line with HRH Sultan Nazrin's views; Malaysia has all of the elements required to make it possible to produce palm oil responsibly, without further deforesting and at the same time, protecting the rights of all those working in the industry, at every level. Essentially, the challenge today is for the planters to play a role in driving changes to policies and processes, to bring together all relevant stake holders and industry players and put in place a strategic plan on sustainable economy for the Plantation Industry.

The conference discussed on the future of the plantation sector and transformation needed to meet the challenges of the future. Distinguished speakers touched on three modules i.e. People, Policies and Processes.

In the afternoon of the second day, expert panelist had a dialogue with participants who eagerly put forth their share of ideas and

queries in their respective fields. The conference successfully achieved its aim of sharing new ideas and exchanging new knowledge, but more importantly bridged a strong bond between fellow industry players, the government, global players and planters. Significantly, two ministers and a former Deputy Prime Minister, namely YB Theresa Kok Suh Sim the Minister of Primary Industries, YB Kulasegaran the Minister of Human Resources of Malaysia and YAB Tun Musa Hitam the former Deputy Prime Minister of Malaysia, were present at the conference opening along with foreign ambassadors. It showed how committed every level of the society; locally and globally in facing the future challenges of the plantation sector.

As in the past, successful Professional Diploma of Licentiate of The Incorporated Society of Planters (LISP) and Advanced Professional Diploma of Associate of The Incorporated Society of Planters (AISP) candidates were presented their certificates. The Datuk Leslie Davidson Award for the Best Technical Scientific Article in *The Planter* 2018 was awarded to Mr Balasubramaniam R. with his paper titled "*A Study of Rat Species, Their Populations and Crop Damage in Mature Oil Palm Plantations in Central Kalimantan*", while the Best Technical Popular Article was awarded to Mr Ng Say Bock with his papertitled "*Palm Fruit Oil: A Big Fat Controversy*". Two ISP Members' children were also awarded scholarships under the ISP Education Fund. They are Mohamad Shuaib bin Mohamad Shariman and Anatasha Anak Napoleon.

There were also posters on display, relevant to the theme of the conference. Cash reward was given to the 3 best posters from a total of 9 posters displayed. At the Hotel's foyer, there were a total of 41 exhibitors who displayed their latest inventions and innovations. These are supporting players in the industry who help to chart the direction of the plantation sector. Finally, ISP would like to thank all the exhibitors for their commitment during the Conference. The Conference received much support from fellow sponsors, MPOC (Platinum Sponsor), DRB-Hicom and KLK Bhd (Gold Sponsor), SALCRA, BASF, Verion, New Holland and Sime Darby



Figure A - O. Photos taken during IPC 2019. **A.** HRH Sultan Nazrin delivering His Royal Address before the audience. **B.** Participants of the conference focusing on the speeches during the opening ceremony **C.** Mr Joseph Tek Choon Yee and Ms Melizel Asuncion during the Q&A session of the the first Module on "Human Resources". **D.** Participants during the first Module of the conference. **E.** HRH Sultan Nazrin after hitting the 'Gong' 3 times to officially mark the opening of the IPC 2019 [From Left: Mr Charles Chow Kok, AISP (Chairman, Centenary Technical Committee), Mr M R Chandran, KMN, FISP (Chairman, Centenary Celebrations Committee), YB Theresa Kok Suh Sim (Minister of Primary Industries), YBhg Datuk Haji Daud Haji Amatzin, PJN, AISP, FISP (Chairman of ISP) and Dato' Henry Sackville Barlow, FISP (Chairman Centenary Publication Committee)]. **F.** Participants enjoying dinner during the Conference Dinner. **G.** The Tamingsari Grand Ballroom (Conference Hall). **H.** Dato' Carl Bek-Nielsen giving his presentation on *Palm Oil and Why Sustainability*. **I.** Participants during the Q&A session. **J.** HRH Sultan Nazrin touring the exhibition booths. **K.** Music performance during the Conference Dinner. **L.** Participants. **M.** YBhg Datuk Dr Kalyana Sundram (CEO, MPOC) speaking during the Panel discussion. Sitted [from Left Ms Melizel Asuncion from Verité Southeast Asia, Datuk Haris Fadziilah Hassan from FGV Holdings Bhd, Datuk Mohamad Nageeb Ahmad Abdul Wahab from MPOA, Mr M R Chandran from ISP, Mr Stefan Vogel from Rabobank and Mr N Balu from MPOB]. **N.** Panelists during the panel discussion. **O.** HRH Sultan Nazrin launched the Centenary Coffee Table Book during the Conference Dinner.

Plantation (Silver Sponsor) and whom without their strong confidence in ISP and IPC 2019, would have not made the Conference a successful one.

ISP organised the conference dinner on the evening of the first day of the conference. The conference dinner was once again graced by HRH Sultan Nazrin and HRH Tuanku Zara Salim. HRH Sultan Nazrin, launched the Centenary Coffee Table book which tells the story of ISP in the last 100 years. To ISP, the conference was a successful and meaningful event. It gave strength to the society to continue contributing to the planters locally and internationally.

The Incorporated Society of Planters, wishes to extend our heartfelt appreciation to HRH Sultan Nazrin for his commitment since the beginning of the IPC 2019 planning. ISP would also like to extend our gratitude to all speakers, poster presenters, panelists, sponsors, exhibitors and advertisers, ISP Members, Conference participants, Conference Organising, Technical and Poster Selection Committees and Secretariat staff and all those who contributed towards the success of the Conference and 100-years ISP Centenary Celebration. See you in ISP NATSEM 2020.

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