

TRUMP, TRADE & TRENDS: NAVIGATING ECONOMIC UNCERTAINTIES

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CONFERENCE HALL, SECURITIES COMMISSION MALAYSIA



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PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

This one-day programme offers a robust **analysis** of **major economic global players** such as **China, EU, US, and Asia** while examining the evolving landscape of **US trade policies, trade wars**, and geopolitical dynamics. A key focus will be on **Trump 2.0 administration** policies and their implications towards global trade and geopolitics.

Participants will gain valuable insights into Malaysia's **capital market outlook for 2025, contextualized against 2024** trends. The programme will also discuss Asia, ASEAN, and **Malaysia's strategic opportunities and risks** arising from **shifting economic alliances, technological advancements**, and **geopolitical tensions**. Discussions will highlight how regional economies can strengthen their resilience and position themselves for sustainable growth.

Overall, this session will provide a forward-looking perspective on how global economic shifts, regulatory changes, and market innovations will shape Malaysia's role within the regional and global economic developments.

PROGRAMME OBJECTIVE

The programme aims to provide participants with insights into 2025 economic outlook including the effects of Trump-era policies, trade, geopolitical factors and domestic growth, guiding industry players in making strategic decisions in a complex economic environment

ICF COMPETENCY LEVEL

- Foundational (Product) – Capital Market Environment (Proficiency Level 3)
- Functional (Technical) – Market Analysis (Proficiency Level 3)
- Behavioural (Organisational Leadership) – Strategic Thinking (Proficiency Level 3)

TARGET AUDIENCE

Individuals

CMSRL License Holders - Fund Managers, Portfolio Managers, Stock broking and Derivatives, Analyst, Financial Controllers, Economists, Credit Analysts, Partners of Firms, C-Suites, Lawyers, Accountants, Corporate Consultants, Capital Markets Services Representative's License Holders, Professionals undertaking corporate advisory work, Sustainability Officers, Business Continuity Planning (BCP) teams, Risk Officers, Company Secretaries, Regulators, Policymakers, Academia

Institutions

Fund Management Companies, Public Listed Companies (PLCs), Investment Banks, Legal Firms, Consultancy Firms, Accounting Firms, Stockbroking Firms

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon completion of this programme, participants will be able to:

- explain the global economic outlook, forecast and potentials
- assess the impact of Trump's economic policies on U.S. economic performance and global market positioning
- discuss factors propelling Malaysia's economic growth against the backdrop of global policy uncertainties and tax policies
- analyse the capital market landscape, including key trends and the sectoral performance

PROGRAMME OUTLINE

Moderator

Tehmina Kaoosji Independent Broadcast Journalist & Communications Consultant

9.00 am

Year in Review and Global Economic Outlook Forecast

- 2024 reflections & 1Q 2025: Key global economic trends in focus
- Beyond Q1 2025: what's next for the global economy?
- Growth Projections: Key economies in 2025 and beyond – China, EU, US, and Asia
- Trade wars and geopolitics: The impact on global markets
- Sectors shaping the future of Malaysia's growth

Speaker

Dr Mohd Afzanizam Chief Economist, Bank Muamalat Malaysia Berhad

10.45 am

Coffee Break

11.00 am

Trump 2.0: Trade and Policy Shifts

- US trade policies under Trump: What's staying and what's changing?
- Potentials in regional trade agreements, tariffs and levies
- Winners and losers: How different industries will fare under policy shift
- Trumponomics: Opportunities and risks for Asia, ASEAN, and Malaysia's investment outlook

Speaker

Professor Geoffrey Williams Williams Business Consultancy Sdn Bhd

12.30 pm

Lunch

2.00 pm

Malaysia 2025 and Beyond: Seizing Opportunities amidst Policy Challenges

- Malaysia's economic performance: How we stack up against ASEAN neighbours
- Ekonomi MADANI: Building a prosperous future for all Malaysians
- Key strategic moves: Budget 2026 and what's next
- MSMEs: Powering Malaysia's economic engine
- Tax trends, Green tax incentives and their role in driving sustainable finance

Speakers

Masni Muhammad Executive Director, Investment Policy Advocacy (Manufacturing) Malaysia Investment Development Authority (MIDA)

Farah Rosley EY Malaysia Tax Managing Partner

3.30 pm

Coffee Break

3.45 pm

Capital Market in Focus: Key Trends, Opportunities, and Strategic Insights

- Malaysian capital market snapshot: 2024 vs 2025
- Navigating global and regional trends: What's shaping Malaysia's capital market?
- Winners and losers: Sector and asset class performance
- Opportunities and strategies in emerging industries, sustainable investments and technological innovation

Speaker

Anand Pathmakanthan Head of Regional Equity Research, Maybank Investment Banking Group

5.30 pm

End of Programme

MODERATOR



TEHMINA KAOOSJI

Independent Broadcast Journalist & Communications Consultant

Tehmina Kaoosji is a broadcast journalist with a decade of experience. An IVLP alumna (2022), she anchors 'Niaga Spotlight' on Astro Awani and leads advocacy at The Big Picture Communications.

SPEAKERS



DR MOHD AFZANIZAM ABDUL RASHID

Chief Economist, Bank Muamalat Malaysia Berhad

Dr. Afzanizam, an economist with more than 20 years in investment research, has held key roles at EPF, Bank Islam, and KWAP. Now at BMMB, he advises on macroeconomic policy and contributes to financial discussions.



PROFESSOR GEOFFREY WILLIAMS

Director of Williams Business Consultancy Sdn Bhd

Geoffrey Williams, founder of Williams Business Consultancy, specializes in economics, sustainability, and education. A Cambridge graduate, he has held academic roles at top institutions. He developed key sustainability frameworks, received a CSR Lifetime Contribution Award, and is a frequent media commentator.



MASNI MUHAMMAD

Executive Director, Investment Policy Advocacy (Manufacturing), Malaysian Investment Development Authority (MIDA)

Masni, Executive Director of Investment Policy Advocacy (Manufacturing) at MIDA, has over 22 years of experience in the manufacturing sector, specializing in policy formulation, investment strategies, and industrial development.



FARAH ROSLEY

Malaysia Tax Leader, Partner, Ernst & Young Tax Consultants Sdn. Bhd.

Farah Rosley is EY Malaysia's Tax Leader with over 20 years of experience in corporate tax, cross-border transactions, and advising on national tax policies and government initiatives.



ANAND PATHMAKANTHAN

Regional Head, Equity Research, Maybank Investment Bank

Anand Pathmakanthan has more than 25 years in sell-side research, with experience at CLSA, Nomura, and Macquarie. Now at Maybank, he specializes in Malaysian and ASEAN banking strategy. He holds economics, law, CFA, and ESG certifications.

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