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Malaysia Chapter

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Combating **Digital Threats**
and **Fraud** to **Safeguard**
Organisational and
Market Integrity



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PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

Fraud is evolving at machine speed, driven by artificial intelligence, instant payments and borderless digital platforms. Criminals now industrialise deception with synthetic identities, deepfakes and automated scam operations, exploiting gaps in governance and controls.

The SIDC–MACFE Fraud Conference 2026 convenes regulators, law enforcement, financial institutions and public-listed companies to address this next wave of digital and online fraud.

Through visionary keynotes, expert panels and case-led discussions, the programme explores the need to fight AI with AI, strengthen KYC/AML and data-privacy practices, as well as coordinate rapid enforcement and remediation.

Participants will gain key take ways from practical tools shared in order to enhance organisational resilience, uphold ethical conduct and protect investors' confidence as well as market integrity across the Malaysia's financial ecosystem.



PROGRAMME OBJECTIVES

- The 2nd SIDC–MACFE Fraud Conference 2026 aims to strengthen the collective response against the accelerating wave of AI-driven and technology-enabled fraud.
- It provides a collaborative platform for capital-market professionals, financial institutions, listed companies, regulators, law-enforcement agencies and technology experts to share insights, analyse real cases and discuss strategies that integrate innovation with governance.
- Through insightful keynotes, interactive panels, forward-thinking dialogues, participants will gain useful tools which could strengthen organisational resilience, protect investor's confidence, uphold ethical conduct as well as market integrity



LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of the conference, participants will be able to:

- describe how advances in AI are enabling fraud to become an automated and scalable industry that has impacted organisational governance and resilience
- examine how AI-generated synthetic identities exploit weaknesses in KYC and due-diligence checks
- discuss how deepfakes undermine organisational integrity and public trust
- evaluate how artificial intelligence can be effectively and responsibly deployed to counter AI-driven fraud
- discuss recent enforcement cases and governance lessons important in enhancing integrity and accountability
- discuss how job-scam syndicates use both human trafficking and digital fraud
- analyse early-warning signs and innovative methods to improve organisational resilience and market integrity

AGENDA



8.30 am Connect at Coffee

9.00 am Welcome Remarks
Tengku Zarina Tengku Chik Chief Executive Officer, Securities Industry Development Corporation (SIDC)

9.05 am Opening Remarks
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9.15 am Keynote Address
TBC

9.20 am Session 1
Governance and Integrity: How AI Is Reshaping Organisational Defense
As fraud becomes industrialised through automation, synthetic identities, and deepfake impersonation, organisations must strengthen governance, ethics, and leadership oversight to stay ahead. This session connects emerging AI-driven fraud threats with the governance structures, internal controls, and ethical cultures needed to manage them, highlighting how oversight frameworks must evolve in a world where fraudsters use self-learning technologies to bypass traditional defenses.

- **Board and Senior Management Oversight** – How boards and senior management strengthen fraud oversight, accountability, and risk ownership in an AI-driven environment.
- **Integrity and Ethical Leadership** – Why fraud prevention starts with tone from the top, a strong ethics culture, and clear leadership expectations.
- **Stronger Controls for New Risks** – How existing controls (KYC, surveillance, internal audit, whistleblowing) must be updated to handle adaptive malware, synthetic identities, and online scams.
- **AI-Risk Governance and Industry Collaboration** – The need for clear AI-risk policies, ethical use of technology, and closer coordination between regulators, market operators, and industry.

Moderator

Maheswari Kanniah, CFE Regent Emeritus (ACFE)
Advisor, ACFE Malaysian Chapter

Panellists

Fong Chong Fook, CFE
Chief Executive Officer, LGMS Berhad

Sam Majid
Head of National AI Office, National AI Office (NAIO)

Datuk Hamidah Naziadin
Former Group Chief People Officer, CIMB Group / Independent Non-Executive Director (Various PLCs)

10.20 am Coffee Break and Networking



10.40 am

Session 2

Synthetic Identity Crisis - When "People" Don't Exist

With generative AI, criminals can now create synthetic identities—digital personas built from real and fabricated data that appear legitimate enough to open accounts, trade, seek financing, and bypass KYC controls. This session explores the rise of synthetic-identity fraud across financial institutions, e-commerce, and regulatory systems, highlighting how AI-generated documents, profiles, and transaction patterns evade traditional safeguards. It also outlines key detection challenges, regulatory expectations, and emerging solutions to protect market integrity from identities that never truly existed.

- **Birth of the Synthetic Identity** – How generative AI fuses stolen and fabricated data to create realistic “persons” with full digital footprints.
- **Financing the Fake** – How synthetic identities are used to open accounts, apply for credit, and move illicit funds through regulated systems.
- **The KYC Blind Spot** – Why traditional onboarding and verification methods fail to detect AI-generated identities in capital-market and fintech ecosystems.
- **Beyond Verification – Building Trust by Design** – How institutions can deploy behavioural analytics, digital-identity frameworks, and regulatory collaboration to combat synthetic-identity fraud.

Panellist

Dr. Sekar Jaganathan

Chief Business Officer, Equity Broking, Kenanga Investment Bank

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11.40 am

Session 3

The Deepfake Dilemma - Protecting Brand, People and Truth

As generative AI accelerates, deepfakes have become powerful tools for impersonation, market manipulation, and social-engineering fraud, blurring the line between real and fake. This session examines how deepfakes are created, how they are weaponised in financial and reputational attacks, and the defences organisations can use to authenticate truth and protect trust in an era of AI-generated deception.

- **The Science of Deception** – How generative AI models create convincing voice and video forgeries that evade traditional verification.
- **Impersonation Economy** – Real-world cases of executive deepfakes, social-engineering scams, and market-moving misinformation.
- **Legal and Ethical Minefields** – Regulatory and evidentiary challenges of deepfake use in fraud, defamation, and governance.
- **Defending Truth and Trust** – Cybersecurity, media-forensics, and organisational controls to detect, prevent, and respond to deepfake incidents.
- **The competencies and frameworks** needed to integrate fraud detection into compliance and audit functions

Moderator

Tehmina Kaoosji

Independent Broadcast Journalist / Partner & Communications Director, The Big Picture (TBP) Communications

Panellist

Professor Dr. Selvakumar Manickam

Director, Cyber Security Research Centre, Universiti Sains Malaysia

AGENDA



12.35 am Networking Lunch

2.00 pm

Session 4

Fighting AI with AI - The Next Gen of Fraud Detection

This session explores how AI can be used to detect AI-driven fraud, from fabricated documents and falsified data to manipulated financial evidence. It highlights real examples, key warning signs, and modern verification techniques that help organisations identify digital deception and strengthen trust in financial reporting.

- **AI-Generated Documents and Falsified Data** – How generative AI produces highly realistic falsified documents, records, and datasets that can bypass conventional verification methods.
- **Red Flags and Digital Manipulation Risks** – Key indicators of AI-enabled falsification, including abnormal metadata patterns, inconsistent formatting, and irregular data structures within financial evidence.
- **AI-Driven Alterations to Financial Evidence** – How AI can fabricate ledger entries, manipulate audit trails, or construct synthetic identities that support fraudulent transactions.
- **Strengthening Detection and Governance** – Modern verification tools—such as metadata forensics, anomaly analytics, and authenticity scanners – combined with strong oversight to ensure AI enhances integrity rather than introducing new vulnerabilities.

Moderator

Ts. Thanaraj V Ganesan, CFE, CeIO

Head, Project Risk, Audit & IT Security Compliance, TM One

Panellists

Datuk Dr. Mazlan

Council Member of MIA and MAICSA

Rodney Lee

Cybersecurity Advisor and Thought Leader



3.00 pm

Session 5

Enforcement, Collaboration & Rapid Response: Lessons from Real Cases

This session highlights key lessons from recent enforcement actions and showcases how coordinated efforts between regulators, enforcement agencies, and industry players enable faster detection, effective response, and stronger market integrity. It also emphasises the importance of post-incident remediation, control enhancement, and fostering a culture of integrity to restore and maintain stakeholder trust.

- **Insights from Regulatory and Enforcement Actions** – How recent cases reveal gaps in governance, control failures, and compliance weaknesses, offering practical lessons for strengthening oversight and market integrity.
- **Collaboration Models for Early Detection and Response** – How regulators, law enforcement, financial institutions, and market operators work together to identify red flags earlier and coordinate rapid, effective responses to emerging threats.
- **Post-Incident Remediation and Control Enhancement** – Approaches to strengthening systems, processes, and reporting structures following incidents, ensuring lessons learned translate into measurable improvements.
- **Building a Culture of Integrity and Accountability** – How transparent communication, strong leadership, and consistent enforcement actions help rebuild trust and reinforce an ethical, accountable operating environment.

Moderator

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Julian Hashim

Chief Regulatory Officer, Bursa Malaysia

Lai Lee Ching

Former Principal Assistant Director (Strategic Planning), Commercial Crime Investigation Department, Royal Malaysian Police



4.00 pm Coffee Break and Networking

4.20 pm Session 6 - Spotlight Session
Trapped by Job Scams and Fraud Networks

This spotlight session uncovers the inner workings of job-scam syndicates that have ensnared thousands across Southeast Asia, revealing how victims are lured with fake employment offers, transported across borders, and coerced into large-scale online fraud operations. Drawing from real cases in Cambodia, Myanmar, and Laos, the session examines the intersection of human trafficking, digital fraud, organised crime, and financial exploitation, shedding light on the growing threat of scam compounds and the implications for organisational awareness and protection.

- **How Job Scams Are Orchestrated** – The recruitment tactics, fake job advertisements, cross-border transit routes, and coercion methods used by syndicates to trap victims.
 - **Forced Fraud Operations** – How victims are compelled to run investment scams, romance scams, phishing schemes, and other digital fraud operations under threats and exploitation.
 - **The Business Model of Scam Compounds** – The organisational structure, revenue-generation mechanisms, and links to broader global fraud networks that fuel industrial-scale scam operations.
 - **Recent Cases and Rescue Operations** – Insights from law-enforcement investigations, real case studies, and regional rescue efforts that reveal how these networks operate and evolve.
 - **Organisations' Role in Awareness and Protection** – How companies can strengthen detection mechanisms, protect employees, raise awareness, and support reporting frameworks to mitigate exposure to job-scam networks.
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5.20 pm Closing Remarks
President of Malaysian Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (MACFE)

End of programme



SPEAKERS



Tengku Zarina Tengku Chik

Chief Executive Officer, Securities Industry Development Corporation

Tengku Zarina is the Chief Executive Officer of the Securities Industry Development Corporation (SIDC), the learning and capacity-building arm of the Securities Commission Malaysia. She has over 30 years of experience in global financial services, spanning corporate and international finance roles in Malaysia, London, New York, and Hong Kong, including senior positions at Maybank and the Securities Commission Malaysia. Since 2019, she has led SIDC's transformation into a digital and sustainability-focused organisation, delivering award-winning certifications and advancing sustainable finance initiatives such as the CCMP SRI and the upcoming CCSP. Under her leadership, SIDC supports Malaysia's National Sustainability Reporting Framework and contributes to climate risk and transition finance capacity building, strengthening ESG and board readiness across the capital market.



Maheswari Kanniah, CFE Regent Emeritus (ACFE)

Advisor, ACFE Malaysian Chapter

Maheswari Kanniah (Mahes) is a globally recognized governance and compliance leader with 47 years of service in Malaysia's financial sector. With 24 years in regulatory compliance, ethics, fraud investigation, and risk management, and 23 years in senior company secretarial roles, she is widely respected for her strategic foresight and ethical leadership. As former Executive Director and Group Chief Regulatory and Compliance Officer of Kenanga Investment Bank, she led major integrity initiatives and secured a landmark partnership with the ACFE, USA. Her contributions earned her global awards, a Malaysia Book of Records induction, and a seat on the ACFE Board of Regents. She currently serves on several prominent boards and is a strong advocate for women in leadership.



Fong Chong Fook, CFE

Chief Executive Officer, LGMS Berhad

Formerly a renowned White-Hat Hacker, Fong Choong Fook is the Founder of LGMS, widely regarded as Malaysia's most trusted cyber security company and the nation's first listed cyber security services firm. An internationally recognised speaker, he is celebrated for his engaging presentation style that blends enthusiasm and humour with deep technical expertise. His unwavering passion for cyber security and computer crime investigation is evident in his continued commitment to advancing cyber resilience and raising awareness of evolving digital threats.

SPEAKERS



Sam Majid

Head of National AI Office, National AI Office (NAIO)

A Research Master's graduate in Engineering from the University of Melbourne, Australia, is celebrated for his exceptional track record in digital transformation and growth. With over two decades of international experience, he has spearheaded innovative advancements across various industries, successfully bootstrapping startups and driving innovation within corporate and public sectors. His efforts have been recognized with prestigious awards from organizations such as GovInsider (Singapore), IDC (USA), APICTA (Malaysia), and iAwards (Australia). Passionate about leveraging technology and innovation, Sam is committed to creating meaningful impact for society and the environment.



Datuk Hamidah Naziadin

Former Group Chief People Officer, CIMB Group / Independent Non-Executive Director (Various PLCs)

Datuk Hamidah Naziadin has over 31 years of extensive experience in strategic human resources and leadership within the financial services sector across Malaysia and ASEAN. She previously served as Group Chief People Officer and Head of Group Corporate Resources at CIMB Group, and as Chief Executive Officer of CIMB Foundation. She currently sits as an Independent Non-Executive Director of Maxis Berhad, Sime Darby Property Berhad, MR D.I.Y Group (M) Berhad and Nestlé (Malaysia) Berhad, where she also chairs key nomination, remuneration and governance committees. Datuk Hamidah holds a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Wolverhampton and is a certified facilitator of Franklin Covey's The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People®.



Dr. Sekar Jaganathan

Chief Business Officer, Equity Broking, Kenanga Investment Bank

Dr. Sekar Jaganathan has over 30 years of experience in business operations, IT, and stockbroking across ASEAN. As Chief Business Officer at Kenanga Investment Bank, he leads digital initiatives, including Rakuten Trade, Malaysia's first fully virtual stockbroking firm, which he co-designed as its former CIO. He also advises Rakuten Trade, a joint venture between Kenanga and Rakuten Securities, Japan. Dr. Sekar contributed to Malaysia's National Artificial Intelligence Framework and authored two books: AI in the Age of IR4.0: A Primer and Making Miracles for the Self. Holding a PhD on emotional intelligence in digital business, he is a sought-after speaker on digital transformation, banking disruptions, and the digital economy.

SPEAKERS



Tehmina Kaoosji

Independent Broadcast Journalist, Partner & Communications Director of The Big Picture (TBP) Communications

Tehmina Kaoosji has a decade of live breaking news and current affairs programming experience across public, private and online broadcast sectors in Malaysia. She is an IVLP alumni, nominated by the US Embassy KL in 2022 for the annual State Department's programme for broadcast journalists. She currently anchors 'Niaga Spotlight', Astro Awani's weekly business analysis and future affairs show. Tehmina is Partner & Communications Director of The Big Picture (TBP) Communications - TBP specialises in advocacy and policy-based outcomes for gender and social development issues.



Professor Dr. Selvakumar Manickam

Director, Cyber Security Research Centre, Universiti Sains Malaysia

Dr. Selvakumar Manickam, a professor and the director of the Cybersecurity Research Center, USM, has been instrumental in advancing security and privacy research. Dr. Manickam's passion lies in forging connections between theory and practice, often by integrating cybersecurity and AI technologies. Equipped with decades of software development expertise, he also spearheads cutting-edge projects in AI-driven automation, optimising efficiency and safety across diverse sectors, including manufacturing and agriculture. His work has catalysed significant improvements in productivity and security, showcasing the transformative potential of AI in real-world applications. He has cultivated a new generation of experts in the hybrid field of AI and cybersecurity. His insights are highly valued by journalists and industry leaders, solidifying his reputation as a thought leader in cybersecurity and AI.



Ts. Thanaraj V Ganesan, CFE, CeIO

Head, Project Risk, Audit & IT Security Compliance, TM One

Ts. Thanaraj V. Ganesan is a seasoned governance and integrity professional with over 30 years of experience in audit investigation, risk management, operational audit, cyber security compliance, and leading high-impact Special Task Force initiatives. He is a Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE), Certified Integrity Officer (CeIO), and Professional Technologist (Ts.), recognised by international and national professional bodies. Known for his clear, practical, and results-driven training style, he equips organisations with effective strategies to enhance integrity, prevent fraud, and strengthen risk resilience. Beyond his professional achievements, Ts. Thanaraj is also an active athlete who has represented Malaysia in Masters-level hockey.

SPEAKERS



Datuk Dr. Mazlan

Council Member of MIA and MAICSA

Datuk Dr. Hj Mazlan bin Hj Ahmad is the Founder of Masyi Group of Companies, with business operations across several countries including China and Hong Kong, and involvement across diverse sectors such as construction and development, real estate, food, tourism, finance and banking, products, hotel services, as well as management and consulting. He has over 20 years of experience in the banking industry, having previously served at Bank Negara Malaysia, where his roles spanned strategic planning, human resource management, branch operations, policy and procedure development, financial intelligence, financial crime enforcement, and strategic security management. His professional career reflects strong expertise in governance, risk management, and institutional leadership across both public and private sectors.



Rodney Lee

Cybersecurity Advisor and Thought Leader

Rodney Lee is a Malaysian cybersecurity evangelist and advisor with extensive experience supporting financial institutions, regulators, and National Critical Information Infrastructure sectors. As Founder of CGD, he develops platforms that bring together industry leaders, technology providers, and practitioners to strengthen regional cyber resilience. Renowned for his boardroom-focused approach, Rodney translates complex cyber risks into clear business, compliance, and reputational implications that senior leaders can act on. He draws on deep local and ASEAN case studies, helping organisations align with regulatory expectations including Bank Negara Malaysia's Risk Management in Technology, the Securities Commission's Guidelines on Technology Risk Management, and the Cybersecurity Act 854. Bridging cybersecurity, fraud risk, and governance, Rodney champions practical resilience and collaborative defence across the region.

SPEAKERS



Julian Hashim

Chief Regulatory Officer, Bursa Malaysia

Julian is an Advocate and Solicitor of the High Court of Malaysia and a founding partner of a leading Kuala Lumpur law firm, with over 25 years of experience advising on corporate and transactional matters, including domestic and international mergers and acquisitions, takeovers, and capital market transactions. He has also guided clients on ongoing disclosure obligations, corporate governance, and regulatory compliance. As Chief Regulatory Officer of Bursa Malaysia, Julian oversees regulatory strategy, listings, market surveillance and supervision, investigations, enforcement, corporate governance and sustainability across Bursa Malaysia Berhad and its licensed subsidiaries. He chairs Sub-Committee 2 on Governance and Disclosures under the Joint Committee on Climate Change and serves on the Advisory Committee on Sustainability Reporting. Julian is also a board member of the Securities Industry Development Corporation and the Capital Market Compensation Fund Corporation.



Lai Lee Ching

Former Principal Assistant Director (Strategic Planning), Commercial Crime Investigation Department, Royal Malaysian Police

ACP Lai Lee Ching served 37 years in the Royal Malaysian Police, beginning in 1988 and retiring in November 2025. She spent 17 years in the Special Branch, with roles at Bukit Aman and IPK Kuala Lumpur, before holding key positions in the RMP College and Corporate Communications. Her career included leadership roles at IPK Perak, IPK Kuala Lumpur, and IPK Selangor, focusing on administration, management, and community policing. As Principal Assistant Director in the Commercial Crime Investigation Department, she championed scam awareness, producing the song Be Smart, Stay Alert and the film OPPA. She is an RMP ICON and a 2024 Top Women in Security ASEAN Country Award recipient.

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