

## Introducing the 2017 Malaysia Regional Conference

Dear colleagues and friends,

1. It is with great pleasure that we invite you to participate in the WIAL Regional Conference 2017 (WRC 2017) to be held at **Concorde Hotel in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia from 6th to 7th April 2017**. There will be a pre and post conference workshop events on 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

2. Concorde Hotel is in the heart of Kuala Lumpur, a city of contrast and diversity. The conference location is in the middle of the Golden Triangle of Kuala Lumpur with the majestic Petronas Twin Towers, the excellent Bukit Bintang Mall and its many great shopping and entertainment establishments all within walking distance from the conference Hotel.

3. The overall theme of the Conference is **“Action Learning: The Performance Changer in A VUCA World”**, with the sub-theme, **“Collaborate, Engage and Transform Leaders”**. Our two days conference will focus on two areas: discussions on enhancing performance in people and leaders through action learning, and experiencing real life applications of aforementioned discussions. In the spirit of Action Learning, this conference will be a “Learning by Doing” conference where you will experience the various topics delivered through an engagement process beyond just presentations.



4. In all, the conference promises to deliver :

- 4 Plenary sessions,
- 3 Breakout sessions
- 2 Engaging activities
- 2 Networking sessions

and a community of participants passionately involved in the development of leaders across all communities and organisations.

5. The **Keynote Speaker** for the conference is **Dr. Mike Marquadt**, who will be speaking on “AL and its impact in Leadership Development in a VUCA World”

In a VUCA world, leaders need to lead, to communicate and to solve problems in a dramatically different way. Six leadership skills - (1) systems thinking, (2) asking great questions, (3) creativity, (4) building great teams, (5) ability to take risks, (6) empowering others - are critical in order to successfully navigate in this new environment. Action learning uniquely, quickly and effectively develops these essential leadership skills by incorporating the dynamics of awareness, practice, feedback and reflection. This presentation will describe and demonstrate how and why action learning can develop great leaders for the VUCA world.

6. Other distinguished and respectable speakers that will grace the event with their vast knowledge and experiences are:

- **Dr Bea Carson** - President of the World Institute for Action Learning
- **Tan Sri Dato Dr. R. Palan** – Executive Chairman and CEO SMR Group
- **Nadiah Tan Abdullah** – Divisional General Manager, Group Human Resource, S P Setia Berhad
- **Ron Mcluckie** – CEO WIAL India
- **Peter Cauwelier** – Director, WIAL Thailand, CEO, ASIO Consulting
- **Professor Loredana Padurean** – Faculty Director, Asian School of Business
- **Wai K Leong** – Master Coach ICF, Managing Partner, Director, ICF Global, JMC Coach Mastery Academy
- **Faz Kamaruddin** – Group Head, Talent, Air Asia Berhad
- **Jayan Warriar** – Director, Positive Performance Consulting
- **Colin Yeow** - Deputy CEO, Head South Asia Emergenetics International Asia Pacific

7. A **Pre Conference** gathering for AL coaches will held to bring the community of AL coaches closer with others in the region. An evening of free and easy conversation is the plan for the evening. Yes, it's free.

***Coaches Network Session (CNS)*** - Connect, Create, Celebrate

5<sup>th</sup> April 2017

7.30-9.30pm Concorde KL

8. The **Post Conference** event, held on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2017, will be one not to be missed. To better enhance AL coaches' skills and repertoire of programs, Dr. Marquardt will be conducting his well-received **LWQ: Leading With Question (Train the Trainer) program**. A **WIAL Approved Certification** program.

9. Upon completion of this program, you will be certified to deliver this program with support from the various resources made available by WIAL.

This program is open to all participants who completed Foundation, CALC (Certified Action Learning Coach) and practicing Action Learning coaches.

10. Once again we extend our warm greetings to all participants, we believe you will enjoy the Conference and the beautiful city of Kuala Lumpur.

Please refer to the attached Information note for more details. Should you have further queries about the WIAL Regional Conference (WRC), please address them to the WRC 2017 committee ([wrc2017@wialmalaysia.com](mailto:wrc2017@wialmalaysia.com)).