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Hosted by the **Malaysian Thoracic Society** and **APSR**





Welcome Message from President



On behalf of the Asian Pacific Society of Respirioly and the Local Organizing Committee, it is my great pleasure to invite you to the upcoming 20th Congress of the Asian Pacific Society of Respirioly (APSR 2015) to be held in the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia from 3-6 December 2015. This conference will feature the latest advances in basic sciences, epidemiology, research and clinical practice in the field of respiratory medicine by renowned experts from the region and internationally.

The Organizing Committee has put together a scientific programme in the form of scientific symposia, plenary lectures, interactive sessions and workshops covering Clinical and Respirioly Medicine, Cell and Molecular Biology, Clinical Allergy and Immunology, Environmental and Occupational Health and Epidemiology, Respirioly Infections, Tuberculosis, Asthma, Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease, Lung Cancer, Respirioly Neurobiology and Sleep, Critical Care Medicine, Bronchoscopy and Interventional Techniques, Paediatric Lung Disease, Respirioly Structure and Function, Pulmonary Circulation and Interstitial Lung Disease. Industry - sponsored satellite symposia will bring the latest developments in new therapies and clinical trials in

respirioly illnesses, whilst interactive sessions along with dedicated scientific oral and poster presentations will allow active participation and exchange of information with our distinguished faculty. Accepted abstracts will be eligible for consideration for the APSR Travel Award and APSR Young Investigator Award.

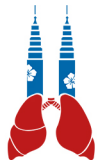
Lastly, we hope that this meeting will provide ample opportunity for networking with colleagues, friends and exhibitors. Malaysia also offers a variety of visitor attractions in and around Kuala Lumpur, where you will be able to sample our local hospitality.

We look forward to warmly welcoming you to APSR 2015 in Kuala Lumpur.

With best wishes,

Roslina A Manap

Congress President
APSR 2015 and
President, Malaysian Thoracic Society



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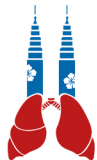


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Programme

- Participants attending the Respiratory Neurobiology and Sleep Workshop will be awarded **6 CPD points** under the MMC CPD Grading System
- Participants attending the other Workshops will be awarded **4 CPD points** under the MMC CPD Grading System

3 December 2015 (Day 1)

0800 – 0830	Registration				
0830 – 1230	Workshop 1 Smoking Cessation	Workshop 3 Bronchoscopy & Interventional Pulmonology - Part 1 incorporating Boston Scientific Sponsored Symposium	Workshop 5 Thoracic Ultrasound & Pleuroscopy - Part 1	Workshop 7 Respiratory Neuro-physiology and Sleep - Part 1	Workshop 9 China-Malaysia Friendship Session
1230 – 1330	Lunch and registration for pm Workshops				
1330 – 1700	Workshop 2 Educational Seminar of the APSR Interstitial Lung Diseases (ESAP)	Workshop 4 Conference Hall 1 Bronchoscopy & Interventional Pulmonology - Part 2 (Hands-on)	Workshop 6 Thoracic Ultrasound & Pleuroscopy - Part 2 (Hands-on)	Workshop 8 Respiratory Neuro-physiology and Sleep - Part 2	Workshop 10 Non-Invasive Ventilation
1500 – 1530	Coffee break				

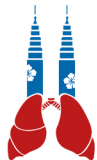


Workshop Programme

3 December 2015 (Day 1)

Workshop 1: Smoking Cessation

0800-0830	Registration
0830-0900	Updates in Global Tobacco Control – Hayden McRobbie (New Zealand)
0900-0930	Tobacco and the lungs – Helmy Haja Mydin (Malaysia)
0930-1000	Smoking cessation therapies – Nurhayati Mohd Marzuki (Malaysia)
1000-1030	Coffee break
1030-1100	The challenges of implementing a smoking cessation service – Nurhayati Mohd Marzuki (Malaysia)
1100-1130	Motivational Interviewing – Amer Siddiq Amer Nordin (Malaysia)
1130-1200	How to deal with the recalcitrant smoker – Wee Lei Hum (Malaysia)
1200-1230	The role of e-cigarettes in smoking cessation – Hayden McRobbie (New Zealand)
1230-1330	Lunch



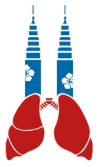
Workshop 2: Interstitial Lung Disease (ESAP)

1330 - 1400	Approach to the patient with ILD – John Simpson (UK)
1400 -1430	Pulmonary function testing in ILD - diagnostic and prognostic indicators – Takashi Ogura (Japan)
1430 - 1500	Interpreting CT scans in ILD – Masashi Takahashi (Japan)
1500 -1530	Histopathology of ILD – Masashi Takahashi (Japan)
1530 -1600	Coffee break
1600 - 1630	Pulmonary hypertension secondary to ILD – Sundari Ampikaipakan (Malaysia)
1630 - 1700	Advances in the treatment of ILD – Masahito Ebina (Japan)
1700 - 1730	Diagnostic pitfalls of sarcoidosis – John Simpson (UK)



Workshop 3 & 4: Bronchoscopy and Interventional techniques

PART 1	
0800-0810	Course introduction – Siew-Teck Tie (Malaysia)
0810-0840	Biopsy of the peripheral lung nodule - The role of Navigational Bronchoscopy – Chung-Ming Chu (Hong Kong)
0840-0910	Conventional TBNA - Is there a role in the era of EBUS? – Jamsak Tscheikuna (Thailand)
0910-0940	EBUS TBNA - Tips to improve the yield – Takehiro Izumo(Japan)
0940-1010	Airway debulking - Which is the best option? – Jamalul Azizi Abdul Rahaman (Malaysia)
1010-1030	Coffee break
1030-1100	Airway stenting in malignant obstruction – TBC
1100-1130	Airway stenting in benign stricture – Philip Eng (Singapore)
1130-1200	Tracheoesophageal fistula - Role of bronchoscopic management – TBC
1200-1340	Sponsored Lunch Symposium Boston Scientific
PART 2	
1340-1700	Bronchial Thermoplasty: How I do it – Gerald Cox (Canada)
	Rigid Bronchoscopy and airway stenting – TBC



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EBUS-TBNA - Tips to improve the diagnostic yield

– Takehiro Izumo (Japan)

Navigational Bronchoscopy

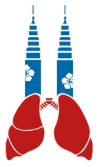
– Chung-Ming Chu (Hong Kong)

Endobronchial debulking

– Jamalul Azizi Rahaman (Malaysia)

**Workshop 5 & 6: Thoracic Ultrasound & Pleuroscopy**

PART 1	
0800 - 0830	Registration
0830 - 0900	Thoracic ultrasound imaging - Introduction and normal anatomy – Anushya Vijayanathan (Malaysia)
0900 - 0930	Thoracic ultrasound imaging <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Effusion• Infection• Pleural thickening• Lymph nodes• Lung masses – Anushya Vijayanathan (Malaysia)
0930-1000	Medical Pleuroscopy - Introduction – Anantham Devanand (Singapore)
1000-1030	Coffee break
1030 - 1100	Flexible pleuroscopy - How I do it – Pyng Lee (Singapore)
1100 - 1130	Rigid pleuroscopy - How I do it – Anantham Devanand (Singapore)
1130 -1200	Indwelling Pleural Catheter (IPC) – Hilmi Lockman (Malaysia)
1200 - 1230	Q & A
1230 - 1330	Lunch



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PART 2

Practical Session

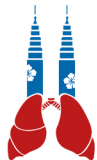
3 groups - Ultrasound/ IPC/ Thoracoscopy
Pyng Lee

1330 - 1700

- Anushya Vijayanathan (Malaysia)
- Anantham Devanand (Singapore)
- Hilmi Lockman (Malaysia)
- TBC
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**Workshop 7 & 8: Respiratory Neurobiology & Sleep**

0800 - 0820	Registration
0820 - 0830	Welcome speech – Norhaya Mohd Razali (Malaysia)
0830 - 0920	Updates on Sleep-Related Breathing Disorders in International Classification of Sleep disorders 3 rd Edition – Kazuo Chin (Japan)
0920 - 1010	Polysomnographic assessment of SDB (OSA, CSA, Sleep-Related Hypoventilation in ICSD-3) – Naricha Chirakalwasan (Thailand)
1010 - 1040	Coffee break
1040 - 1130	Sleep-Disordered Breathing in children and its effects – David Gozal (USA)
1130 - 1220	Clinical & Practical Pearls (1) Case discussion on Central Sleep Apnoea and therapy – Chon-Shin (South Korea)
1220 - 1400	Lunch
1400 - 1450	Clinical & Practical Pearls (2) Case discussion on Excessive Daytime Sleepiness – Naricha Chirakalwasan (Thailand)
1450 - 1540	Advances in management of Sleep Disordered Breathing – Atul Malhotra (USA)
1540 - 1630	Clinical & Practical Pearls (3) Case discussion on Parasomnia – Raymond Azman Ali (Malaysia)



Workshop 10: Non-Invasive Ventilation

1330 - 1400	The basics of NIV – Stefano Nava (Italy)
1400 - 1430	How to improve patient-ventilator synchrony – Stefano Nava (Italy)
1430 - 1445	Q & A
1445 - 1515	Non-Invasive Ventilation in Children - Evidence Based Considerations – David Gozal USA)
1515 - 1545	How to set NIV in acute respiratory failure – Stefano Nava (Italy)
1545 - 1600	Coffee break
1600 - 1730	Practical Session <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mask selection and fitting,• Ventilator settings,• and troubleshooting. Illustrative case discussions – Stefano Nava (Italy) – David Gozal (USA) & Asiah Kassim (Malaysia)

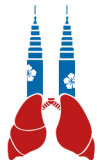


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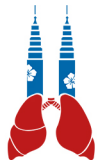
0700 – 1700	Registration
0800 – 0815	Opening Remarks
0815 – 0900	Presidential Lecture
	Session 1A: Asthma (1)
0900 – 0930	Antibody treatment in asthma – <i>Elisabeth Bel (Netherlands)</i>
0930 – 1000	Anti-neutrophil treatment in asthma – <i>Peter Barnes (UK)</i>
1000 – 1030	Bronchial thermoplasty in asthma – <i>Gerard Cox (Canada)</i>
	Session 1B: Chest Imaging
0900 – 0930	CT for infectious lung diseases – <i>Abdul Samad Sakijan (Malaysia)</i>
0930 – 1000	CT for COPD – <i>Nguyen Van Tho (Vietnam)</i>
1000 – 1030	CT for rare lung diseases – <i>Masashi Takahashi (Japan)</i>
	Session 1C: Cell & Molecular Biology
0900 – 0930	Recent progress of cellular and molecular biology in respiratory diseases – <i>Takahide Nagase (Japan)</i>
0930 – 1000	Generation of airway epithelial cells from iPS cells – <i>Isao Ito (Japan)</i>
1000 – 1030	Role of microbiomes in lung diseases – <i>Isao Ito (Japan)</i>
1030 – 1100	Coffee break



Session 2A: COPD			
1100 – 1130	Non-smoking COPD versus neutrophilic asthma: similarities and differences – <i>Jorgen Vestbo (UK)</i>		
1130 – 1200	Asthma-COPD overlap syndrome: biomarker, phenotype or endotype-driven treatment – <i>Diahn-Warng Perng (Taiwan)</i>		
1200 – 1230	Steroid insensitivity and target therapy for COPD: What do we need and where are we now? – <i>Peter Barnes (UK)</i>		
Session 2B: Clinical Respiratory Medicine (1)			
1100 – 1130	Case 1: <i>Abdul Razak Muttalif (Malaysia)</i>		
1130 – 1200	Case 2: <i>Sanjeev K. Mehta (India)</i>		
1200 – 1230	Case 3: <i>Sanjay H. Chotirmall (Singapore)</i>		
Session 2C: Environmental & Occupational Health & Epidemiology			
1100 – 1130	E-cigarettes – The good, the bad and the ugly – <i>Hayden McRobbie (New Zealand)</i>		
1130 – 1200	Asbestos ban and asbestos-related diseases in Asia – <i>Soon-Hee Jung (South Korea)</i>		
1200 – 1230	Effect of inorganic dust on the lung – <i>Takashi Nakano (Japan)</i>		
1230 – 1400	Lunch Symposium 1 Boehringer Ingelheim	Lunch Symposium 2 Novartis	Lunch Symposium 3 GlaxoSmithKline
Session 3A: lung cancer (1)			
1400 – 1430	What's new in the next revision of lung cancer staging – <i>Kwun Fong (Australia)</i>		
1430 – 1500	Molecular testing in advanced NSCLC – <i>David Chi Leung Lam (Hong Kong)</i>		
1500 – 1530	Management of resistance to EGFR-TKIs and ALK-inhibitors – <i>Chong-Kin Liam (Malaysia)</i>		



Session 3B: Respiratory Infection (non-TB)	
1400 – 1430	Pulmonary aspergillosis – <i>Sanjay H. Chotirmall (Singapore)</i>
1430 – 1500	Antibiotic resistance in pneumonia- Asia Pacific perspective – <i>Jae-Hoon Song (Korea)</i>
1500 – 1530	Pulmonary melioidosis – <i>Soon-Hin How (Malaysia)</i>
Session 3C: Respiratory Neurobiology and Sleep (1)	
1400 – 1430	OSA and COPD (Overlap syndrome) in Asians and Western countries – <i>Patrick Gerard Moral (Philippines)</i>
1430 – 1500	Obesity Hypoventilation Syndromes in Asians and Western countries – <i>Kazuo Chin (Japan)</i>
1500 – 1530	Recent advances in OSA and Sleep Medicine – <i>Atul Malhotra (USA)</i>
1530 – 1600	Coffee break
Session 4A: Lung cancer (2)	
1600 – 1630	Evolving role of immunotherapy for NSCLC – <i>Ross Andrew Soo (Singapore)</i>
1630 – 1700	Small cell lung cancer: the evolving role of radiotherapy – <i>Yoichi Nakanishi (Japan)</i>
1700 – 1730	Update on Asian lung cancer screening: randomised and non-randomised studies – <i>David Chi Leung Lam (Hong Kong)</i>
Session 4B: Interstitial Lung Disease (1)	
1600 – 1630	Difficult-to-diagnose interstitial lung disease: the role of the multidisciplinary team – <i>John Simpson (UK)</i>
1630 – 1700	The role of CT scan in interstitial lung diseases – <i>Masashi Takahashi (Japan)</i>
1700 – 1730	Advances in the treatment of IPF – <i>Takashi Ogura (Japan)</i>



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Concurrent Session 4C: Pleural Diseases		
1600 – 1630	Unusual pleural diseases – <i>Anantham Devanand (Singapore)</i>	
1630 – 1700	Management of complicated parapneumonic effusion and empyema thoracis – <i>Pyng Lee (Singapore)</i>	
1700 – 1730	Current management of malignant mesothelioma – <i>Thirugnanam Agasthian (Singapore)</i>	
1730 – 1900	Evening Symposium 1 Recipharm / Edmond Pharma	Evening Symposium 2 Cipla
1930 – 2130	Faculty dinner (by invitation only)	

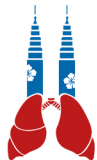




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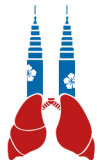
0700 – 1700	Registration
0700 – 0800	Sunrise Session
0815 – 0900	Memorial Lecture: Ann Janet Woolcock Research Award
	Session 5A: Respiratory Neurobiology and Sleep (2)
0900 – 0930	The upper airway function in OSA – <i>Peter Eastwood (Australia)</i>
0930 – 1000	Relationship between OSA and gastroesophageal reflux – <i>Patrick Gerard Moral (Philippines)</i>
1000 – 1030	Cerebro-cardiovascular diseases in the Korean OSA cohort study – <i>Chol Shin (South Korea)</i>
	Session 5B: Paediatric Lung Diseases (1)
0900 – 0930	Acute management of childhood asthma – an update – <i>Albert Li (Hong Kong)</i>
0930 – 1000	Is intermittent use of inhaled corticosteroids a feasible option in children? – <i>Anne Goh (Singapore)</i>
1000 – 1030	Longer term outcome of childhood asthma – what do the longitudinal studies tell us – <i>Peter Le Souef (Australia)</i>
	Session 5C: Bronchoscopy & Interventional Pulmonology
0900 – 0930	Bronchoscopic lung volume reduction: What's the current status? – <i>Felix J Herth (Germany)</i>
0930 – 1000	Complications of airway stenting – <i>Philip Eng (Singapore)</i>
1000 – 1030	Bronchoscopic management of tracheobronchomalacia/EDAC – <i>Jamsak Tscheikuna (Thailand)</i>
1030 – 1100	Coffee break



	Session 6A: Asthma (2)		
1100 – 1130	Identifying therapeutic phenotypes of severe asthma – <i>Kittipong Maneechotesuwan (Thailand)</i>		
1130 – 1200	What are the current and future treatment options for refractory asthma? – <i>Omar Sharif Usmani (UK)</i>		
1200 – 1230	Poorly controlled asthma in pregnancy: What can we use? – <i>Dave Singh (UK)</i>		
	Session 6B: Paediatric lung diseases (2)		
1100 – 1130	Update and controversies in the management of childhood pneumonia? – <i>Anne Chang (Australia)</i>		
1130 – 1200	Viruses in paediatric respiratory infection – <i>Peter LE Souef (Australia)</i>		
1200 – 1230	Bronchiectasis: is it a reversible disease? – <i>Anne Chang (Australia)</i>		
	Session 6C: Pulmonary circulation (1)		
1100 – 1130	Screening and diagnosis of pulmonary hypertension – <i>Aizai Azan Abd Rahim (Malaysia)</i>		
1130 – 1200	Mechanism and management of hypoxia-induced pulmonary hypertension – <i>Talant Sooronbaev (Kyrgyzstan)</i>		
1200 – 1230	Novel therapy for acute pulmonary embolism – <i>to be confirmed</i>		
1230 – 1400	Lunch Symposium 4 Boehringer Ingelheim	Lunch Symposium 5 Novartis	Lunch Symposium 6 Orient Europharma/Chiesi
	Session 7A: Clinical Respiratory Medicine (2)		
1400 – 1430	Epidemiology and clinical data on MERS CoV in South Korea – <i>Jae-Hoon Song (Korea)</i>		
1430 – 1500	From SARS to MERS - What have we learned? – <i>Malik Peiris (Hong Kong)</i>		
1500 – 1530	Emerging Infections: How can we improve preparedness? – <i>Malik Peiris (Hong Kong)</i>		



	Session 7B: Clinical Allergy & Immunology	
1400 – 1430	Epithelial biology in the pathogenesis of airway inflammation – <i>Yasuhiro Gon (Japan)</i>	
1430 – 1500	Recent advances in the pathogenesis of asthma – <i>Elisabeth Bel (Netherlands)</i>	
1500 – 1530	The lung's response to air pollution – <i>Ian Yang (Australia)</i>	
	Session 7C: Pulmonary circulation (2)	
1400 – 1430	The journey to PAH and PH-related respiratory diseases – <i>Hiroshi Kimura (Japan)</i>	
1430 – 1500	Treatment update on CTEPH – <i>Nobuhiro Tanabe (Japan)</i>	
1500 – 1530	Treatment update on PAH – <i>Masayuki Hanaoka (Japan)</i>	
1530 – 1600	Coffee break	
1600 – 1700	The Great Debate Inhaled corticosteroids have a limited role in the management of COPD <i>Jorgen Vestbo (Pro) versus Peter Barnes (Con)</i>	
1700 – 1830	Evening Symposium 3 Mundipharma	Evening Symposium 4 AstraZeneca
1900 – 2100	Gala dinner	



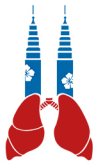
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6 December 2015 (Day 4)

0700 – 1700	Registration	
0700 – 0800	Sunrise Session	
0815 – 0900	Memorial Lecture: Michiyoshi Harasawa Research Award	
0900 – 0930	Session 8A: Tuberculosis (1) TB in Asia Pacific – <i>Nobuyuki Nishikiori (WHO West Pacific Region)</i>	
0930 – 1000	Public-Private Mix in TB Control: Critical appraisal of global evidence and local applications – <i>Charles Yu (Philippines)</i>	
1000 – 1030	TB and migrants – <i>Nobuyuki Nishikiori (WHO West Pacific Region)</i>	
0900 – 0930	Session 8B: Respiratory Structure & Function Role of handheld spirometer in the screening, diagnosis and monitoring of airflow limitation – <i>Le Thi Tuyet Lan (Vietnam)</i>	
0930 – 1000	Diffusion capacity – pitfalls and interpretation – <i>Peter Eastwood (Australia)</i>	
1000 – 1030	Tips and tricks to achieve best lung deposition with different inhaler devices – <i>Yuko Komase (Japan)</i>	
0900 – 1030	Session 8C: Young Investigators Session	
1030 – 1100	Coffee break	
1100 – 1200	Lunch Symposium 7 Boehringer Ingelheim	Lunch Symposium 8 Pfizer



	Session 9A: Tuberculosis (2)
1200 – 1230	New TB diagnostic tests – <i>Somsak Rienthong (Thailand)</i>
1230 – 1300	Challenges of MDR TB management – <i>Harjit Dumra (India)</i>
1300 – 1330	Diagnosis and treatment dilemma of nontuberculous mycobacterial infection – <i>Erlina Burhan (Indonesia)</i>
	Session 9B: Interstitial Lung Diseases (2)
1200 – 1230	Prevalence and incidence of ILD in the Asia-Pacific region – <i>Yoshikazu Inoue (Japan)</i>
1230 – 1300	Pathogenesis, diagnosis and treatment of co-existing emphysema and ILD – <i>Masahito Ebina (Japan)</i>
1300 – 1330	The ABC of hypersensitivity pneumonitis – from the acute to chronic stages – <i>Tengku Saifudin Tengku Ismail (Malaysia)</i>
	Session 9C: Critical Care Medicine
1200 – 1230	Diagnosis of ventilator-associated pneumonia – difficult but do-able – <i>John Simpson (UK)</i>
1230 – 1300	ECMO in ARDS – <i>to be confirmed</i>
1300 – 1330	Early mobilisation of the ventilated patient from evidence to practice – <i>Li-Ling Tai (Malaysia)</i>
1330 – 1400	Closing



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Passports & Visas

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Country and Capital

The Federation of Malaysia comprises Peninsula Malaysia and the states of Sabah and Sarawak on the island of Borneo. Capital of Malaysia is Kuala Lumpur.

People

Malays who make up about 57% of the population of Malaysia are the predominant group with Chinese, Indians and other ethnic groups making up the rest. In Malaysia Borneo, the population is made up of over 32 ethnic groups with the main ethnic group - the Kadazandusun. Other ethnic group includes Bajau and Murut, The largest non-indigenous group are made up of the Chinese.

Language

Bahasa Malaysia (Malay) is the official language, but English is widely spoken. Ethnic groups also have their own languages and dialects

Religion

Islam is the country's official religion, but other religions such as Christianity, Buddhism and Hinduism are widely practised.

Climate

February on the east coast of Peninsular Malaysia, on western Sarawak, and north-eastern Sabah. On the west coast of Peninsular Malaysia the rainy season is April to May and October to November.

Currency

The Malaysian ringgit (RM) consists of 100 sen. Coins in use are one, five, 10, 20 and 50 sen, and RM1; notes come in RM1, RM2, RM5, RM10, RM50 and RM100. The value is approximately USD1 = RM3.50. Foreign currency can be exchanged at banks and money exchange. Please note that you are permitted to carry into and out of Malaysia, ringgit notes not exceeding RM 1,000 per person. There is no limit to bring in foreign currency notes and traveller's cheques to Malaysia. A non-resident is permitted to carry out of Malaysia, foreign currency and travellers cheques not exceeding the amount declared when arriving into Malaysia.

Credit Cards

Most hotels and establishments accept credit or charge cards such as VISA, American Express, Master card and Diners Club. Travellers cheques may be encashed at major hotels and are accepted by all banks, hotels & major department stores.

Banking Hours

Monday - Friday: 9.30 am to 3.30 pm. Saturday, Sunday & Public Holidays: Closed (Some banks and their branches open on Saturdays).

Telecommunications

The country code for Malaysia is 60. Outgoing international code is 00. IDD is available.

Time

Malaysia is 8 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

Electricity

Voltage is 240 volts AC 50 Hz. Standard 3-pin square plugs and sockets.



With a temperature that fluctuates little throughout the year, travel in Malaysia is a pleasure. Average temperature is between 21 C and 32 C. Humidity is high. Rain tends to occur between November to

casual wear is the norm. Topless or completely naked sunbathing is not allowed. When entering mosques and temples, wear long sleeves and loose trousers or long skirts as a sign of respect.

Shopping

Most prices of retail items can be bargained (except department stores).

Transportation

Traffic drives on the left and signposting is easy to understand. Taxis & trains are easily available at the airports and at hotels, as well as from many places downtown.

Shopping

Never bring any recreational drugs into Malaysia. Possession and/or trafficking of even minute amounts can lead to a mandatory death sentence.

Crime levels are relatively low in Malaysia, but common sense precautions should be observed. Beware of pickpockets and snatch-and-run thieves.

Exercise caution when crossing the streets. Some drivers will not stop at pedestrian/zebra crossings. Use pedestrian bridges if available.

What to wear

Living in a tropical climate, local people dress very informally (e.g. lightweight linens & cottons, T-shirt, shorts, jeans). For dinners and night spots, smart

Stay Healthy

Tap water is not safe to drink. Malaysians boil tap water before drinking it. It is recommended for visitors to stick to bottled water. Ice in drinks might be made from tap water but the cylindrical variety with a hollow tube down the middle are mass-produced at ice factories and are safer to consume.

Avoid buying food or drinks from street vendors if you find the hygiene standard is questionable.

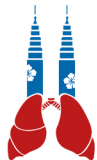
Heat exhaustion is rare, but do consume lots of fluids, use a hat and sunscreen and shower often. Pack clothing suitable for a warm humid climate.

Due to the constant humid climate, mosquitoes tend to be present throughout the year. To repel mosquitoes, ticks and other arthropods, apply an insect repellent. The risk of malaria is extremely small, however, if you are visiting Borneo inland or rural areas Malaria prophylaxis is recommended.

Dengue fever occurs throughout Malaysia in both urban and rural areas, and can only be avoided by preventing mosquito bites. The mosquito that transmits dengue feeds throughout the daytime, and is most active at dawn and dusk. If you experience a sudden fever with aches and lethargy, seek medical attention immediately.



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HOTEL	RATE
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City View Single	RM 730
City View Double	RM 770
GRAND HYATT (5*)	
Grand Room Single	RM 715
Grand Room Double	RM 791
TRADERS (4*)	
Deluxe Room Single	RM 690
Deluxe Room Double	RM 740
OTHERS	
Novotel Hotel - Superior Room (5*)	RM 460
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Maya Hotel - Studio	RM 430
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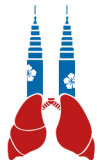
Registration

CATEGORY	EARLY BIRD (1 FEB 2015 - 31 OCT 2015)	NORMAL REGISTRATION (1 NOV 2015 - 30 NOV 2015)
INTERNATIONAL DELEGATE		
APSR Members*	USD 600	USD 720
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One Day Registrations	USD 275	USD 350
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Delegate	RM 1200	RM 1350
Accompanying Person**	RM 500	RM 540
One Day Registrations	RM 500	RM 550
GALA DINNER		
Local Delegates		RM 275
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WORKSHOPS	TIME	FEE IN USD	FEE IN MYR
	3rd December 2015	International Delegates	Local Delegates
Smoking Cessation	0800 - 1230	USD 50	RM 175
Interstitial Lung Disease	1330 - 1730	USD 50	RM 175
Bronchoscopy & Interventional Pulmonology – Part 1	0800 - 1240	USD 50	RM 175
Bronchoscopy & Interventional Pulmonology – Part 2 (Hands on)	1340 - 1700	USD 100	RM 350
Thoracic Ultrasound & Pleuroscopy – Part 1	0800 - 1230	USD 50	RM 175
Thoracic Ultrasound & Pleuroscopy – Part 2 (Hands On)	1330 - 1700	USD 100	RM 350
Respiratory Neurobiology & Sleep – Part 1	0800 - 1220	USD 100	RM 350
Respiratory Neurobiology & Sleep – Part 2	1400 - 1630	USD 100	RM 350
Non-Invasive Ventilation	1330 - 1730	USD 50	RM 175

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