

WHISTLEBLOWERS' VITAL ROLE TO STEM CORRUPTION IN THE WORKPLACE



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WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS



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P'ng oversees the First Solar Malaysia's overall strategic direction and is responsible towards the company's operation and performance of various functions. He joined First Solar in October 2008 after a career spanning 17 years in Intel Corporation where he led several major functions such as Intel's largest Assembly-Test Chipset Operation in Chengdu, China and Intel's 300mm Fab in Arizona. He currently holds positions in various associations such as President of Kulim Industrial Tenants Association (KITA), Vice President of Malaysia Semiconductor Industry Association (MSIA), Board of Director/Vice Chairman of Kedah Industrial Skills and Management Development Centre (KISMEC) and Chairman of Malaysian Alternative & Renewable Industry (MARI) among others.



CYNTHIA GABRIEL

Executive Director (C4 Center)

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Is the founding director of C4 Center and easily recognized as a key human rights advocate in Malaysia. She has spent most of her professional life in the field of advancing and promoting human rights, good governance and democratic freedoms. Much of her time has been devoted to building and shaping the work of leading human rights advancements in Malaysia and across the globe.

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FARAH ADURA HAMIDI

Deputy Director General (National Centre For Governance, Integrity and Anti Corruption (GIACC)) Prime Minister's Department
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She currently oversees the process of policy and strategic plan creation, participates in the development of reports, documents, briefings and memorandum as well as providing consultation to ministries and government departments and stakeholders. She joined the Administrative and Diplomatic Service in 1995 and had been posted in various ministries and government agencies for the past 27 years.

SPEAKERS



FARIZAL MUZAFFAR HAFIZ ABDUL WAHAB

Senior Manager, Integrity & Discipline Department (Malaysian Resources Corporation Berhad, MRCB)
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Subject matter expert in whistleblowing. Vast working experience with government and corporate agencies in reviewing their whistleblowing policy. Possess strong knowledge and skill in investigation, criminal laws and policy-making with excellence leadership, stakeholders management and problem solving skills. Has been in MACC since 2006 and was instrumental in developing whistleblowing policies in over 12 government agencies, ministries and GLCs. His current role includes conducting studies on the outcome of previous investigations arising from queries raised by relevant parties to identify the gaps and areas of improvement.



FADIAH NADWA FIKRI

Legal Consultant and Report Author (C4 Center)

Holds an LLB (Hons) from the International Islamic University of Malaysia and a master of studies degree in international human rights law from the University of Oxford. She is currently a PhD candidate at the Department of Southeast Asian Studies, National University of Singapore.

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Jye Mei Wong (LLB, LLM) is the Senior Manager, Legal & Compliance, Asia Pacific Region at Boston Scientific Corporation. She is an Advocate and Solicitor of High Court of Malaya (non-practicing). She leads a team of Legal & Compliance professionals dedicated to ASEAN markets. She manages the ASEAN Legal & Compliance Program and she is actively involved in the due diligence/security checks of the channel partners and third-party intermediaries.



JOHN CHUNG

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John Chung is based in Singapore and works at Intel as their Regional Compliance Counsel for Asia. As Regional Compliance Counsel, his responsibility include ensuring that Intel's business is conducted in legal, ethical and compliant manner. John is a licensed attorney in the U.S. and earned his Juris Doctorate at New England Law in Boston and holds a bachelors in business administration.



TOM DEVINE

Legal Director (Government Accountability Project)

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Has formally or informally assisted over 7,000 whistleblowers defend themselves against retaliation and making real differences on behalf of public interests. A leader in campaigns to pass or defend 34 national or international whistleblower laws over last two decades. Has served as a technical expert for drafting or advocacy of 14 more whistleblower laws or policies in nations ranging from Liberia, Tunisia to Great Britain and Italy. Authored or co-authored numerous books including winner of 2012 International Business Book of the Year Award, The Corporate Whistleblowers Survival Guide: A Handbook for Committing the Truth

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SAMANTHA FEINSTEIN

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Has over 18 years of experience – 11 working in international law and development including anti-corruption, international access to justice, good governance, human rights, and humanitarian aid. Has also worked at various international development organisations including the International Rescue Committee in Middle East, East and Central Africa's refugee assistance programmes.



JOACHIM XAVIER

Partner (Nadzarin Kuok Puthucheary & Tan, Advocates & Solicitors)

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Practises both civil and criminal litigation. Clients includes local and foreign individual and corporate entities. Has been much sought after for advice on disclosure obligations under the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Act 2009, Witness Protection Act 2009 and Whistleblower Protection Act 2010. Has extensive experience dealings with authorities such as the Royal Malaysia Police, Royal Malaysian Customs, Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission, Inland Revenue Board, Immigration Department of Malaysia and Department of Environment.



DR KM LOI

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Background in mechanical engineering with more than 15 years of hands-on working experience in manufacturing environment. Has a long-standing background in anti-corruption advocacy work since 2000 where he has served as Deputy President (2015–2017) and Secretary General (2013–2015) of Transparency International and a Vice Chair (2015–2017) of United Nation Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC) Coalition. He has also been appointed as the Vice Chair of ISO/PC 278, which was responsible for the design and development of ISO 37001:2016 – Anti-Bribery Management System (ABMS) standard and ISO 37002:2021 – Whistle Blowing Management Systems Guidelines.

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A law graduate from Northumbria University, Newcastle UK, formerly was the Chairman for the Episcopal Commission for Migrants and Itinerants, Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei. He also co-founded and is currently the board of Directors for the Life -Bridge Learning Center, a school which provides free education to hundreds of Rohingya Muslim students from Myanmar. Stanley previously served in the Penang Office for Human Development, and has been involved in various human development projects for the last 13 years, including advocating issues on social justice, governance and human rights. Stanley has been with C4 Center since 2016 and strives to champion the good governance agenda at every opportunity available.