



# 14<sup>th</sup> Science Council of Asia (SCA) Conference

17-19 June 2014  
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia





# THEME

Future Earth: Research for  
Global Sustainability and a  
Holistic Understanding of  
Sustainable Development in  
Asia







# RATIONALE

- Sustainable development is the major driving force for the formation of the SCA
- The world is currently so highly interconnected economically, socio-culturally and environmentally
- Malaysia is a good example of an Asian country that is developing sustainably
- A fuller understanding of sustainability in Asia as a region will help both the developed and developing countries achieve sustainability
- Rio+20 Science, Technology and Innovation Forum endorsed a new platform for research on global sustainability – *Future Earth*



# OBJECTIVES of CONFERENCE

- Provide opportunity for scientists to report on progress of scientific research on global sustainability and poverty alleviation in Asia
- Share global, regional and national perspectives on global sustainability
- Highlight successful interdisciplinary research, research collaboration and dialogue across natural, social and engineering sciences to address interrelated economic, social and environmental aspects of development in Asia
- Provide platform for the science, technology and innovation (STI) community to discuss sustainable development challenges and solutions with policy-makers and other stakeholders



# PROPOSED FORMAT

- Duration – 3 days
- In collaboration with ASEAN (COST), SAARC, ICSU ROAP, APN and other science organizations in Asia

No	Activity	Focus
1	Plenary Sessions	Will lay out the key achievements in sustainability research since Rio+20 (2-year progress)
2	Parallel sessions	Presentations by researchers on the economics, socio-cultural and earth systems science of sustainability in Asia and how they are holistically connected
3	Synthesis session	At the end of the conference, will highlight holistic understanding of sustainability in Asia since Rio+20

\* Publication output from conference



# PROPOSED PROGRAMME

Date/Time	Activity
<b>17 June 2014</b> <b>(Tuesday)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Arrival/Registration</li><li>▪ SCA Special Sessions/Workshops</li><li>▪ Management Board Meeting I</li><li>▪ General Assembly Meeting I</li><li>▪ Reception Dinner</li></ul>
<b>18 June 2014</b> <b>(Wednesday)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ SCA Symposium on “Future Earth: Research for Global Sustainability and a Holistic Understanding of Sustainable Development in Asia”</li><li>▪ General Assembly Meeting II</li><li>▪ Appreciation Dinner</li></ul>
<b>19 June 2014</b> <b>(Thursday)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ International Symposium on “Future Earth: Research for Global Sustainability and a Holistic Understanding of Sustainable Development in Asia”</li><li>▪ Management Board Meeting II</li><li>▪ Visit</li></ul>

# VENUE

- Kuala Lumpur Convention Center (KLCC) – (tbc)





# ACCOMMODATION



Accommodation and meeting venue is located in the central part of Kuala Lumpur with easy access to public transport



# KUALA LUMPUR AT A GLANCE



Video:  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wiWwqNyGj5U>





**We look forward to seeing  
you at the 14<sup>th</sup> SCA  
Conference**

