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Academic Background

BSc Chemistry & Psychology (Uni of South Dakota) 2001
MA Environmental Studies (Uni of Adelaide) 2003
PhD Environment & Development (Uni Kebangsaan Malaysia) 2010

Specialisation: Island and Indigenous Communities; Sustainable Livelihoods; Community Development; Heritage Conservation

Administrative Positions

Chair of Research Centre for Environment, Economic and Social Sustainability (KASES, LESTARI UKM)

Head of Research Programme for Cultural Heritage and Social Sustainability (PPL, LESTARI UKM)



BRIEF CV

Sharina Abdul Halim, PhD is an environmental sociologist. Her research interests include islands and indigenous community, sustainable livelihoods, tourism development, and heritage conservation. Actively involved as part of the Scientific and Technical Team for Langkawi UNESCO Global Geopark since 2007 and involved directly during the UNESCO Global Geopark Revalidation Assessment in 2011 and 2015. She is part of the Editorial Board for *Shima: The International Journal of Research into Island Cultures*. She is assigned as one of the Intergovernmental Panel for Climate Change (IPCC) Lead Authors for Chapter 5 on the Special 1.5 degrees Report (2017-2018) and Chapter 10 for the Working Group II contribution to the IPCC Sixth Assessment Report (AR6-WG2) (2019-2021).

Selected Research Activities

Continuing Legacies: Engaging Custodians in Heritage Conservation. KRA-2017-020, year 2018. **Principle Investigator**
Identification, Characterization & Mapping of Cultural Heritage & Local Traditions for Sustainable Regional Development in Langkawi Geopark. FRGS/ 1/2014/STWN09/UKM/02/1, year 2014-2016. **Principal Investigator.**
Evolutionary Genomics and Anthropological Approaches on the Endangered Malaysian Aborigine Populations: Towards Ensuring their Sustainability, LRGs/BU/2011/UiTM/UKM/PB/03, year 2011-2016. **Principal Investigator.**

Selected Publications

Sharina Abdul Halim, Ibrahim Komoo, Norzaini Azman & Salsela Saidin. 2017. Engaging Breadth of Stakeholder Participation in Conservation: An Example from Langkawi Geopark Initiative. In Rahimah Abdul Aziz, Ong Puay Liu, Sarah Aziz (Eds.) *Making the Past Present For The Future: Integrated Heritage Conservation through Geopark Model*, Penerbit UKM, 108-121pp.

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Salsela Saidin, Norzaini Azman, Ibrahim Komoo, **Sharina Abdul Halim**, Natasha Stacey & Arturo Izurieta . 2015. Strengthening Shared Values through The Strategy of Public Education: A Case Study of Kilim Geoforest Park, Malaysia (Pengkukuhan Nilai Sepunya Melalui Strategi Pendidikan Awam: Kajian Kes Kilim Geoforest Park). *Kajian Malaysia*, 33(2): 83-115.

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