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PROFESSOR DATUK DR. YAHAYA IBRAHIM is currently a Senior Fellow at the Institute of Malaysian and International Studies (IKMAS), Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, Bangi, Malaysia.

He was born in 1962 in Kampung Pantai Batu Rakit, Kuala Terengganu. He first attended Batu Rakit Primary School, then Tengku Mizan Secondary School, Terengganu Technical School and Sultan Sulaiman High School in Kuala Terengganu. He continued his studies at Universiti Teknologi Malaysia, majoring in urban and regional planning. Later, he studies for a master's degree and doctorate at Universiti Malaya. He also studied at the University of Sheffield, United Kingdom, and participated in the Research Training Programme for PhD under the Commonwealth Scholarship Award. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Urban and Regional Planning, a Master's degree in Sociology, and a PhD in Development Studies.



He started his career as an executive in the corporate sector in Kuala Lumpur. From 1992 to mid-2008, he was a lecturer in the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities at Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia. He was appointed as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of UKM Pakarunding Sdn Bhd, a Consulting Engineering and Development firm belonging to Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia. During his time at UKM, he also served as Campus Director of Zaaba College (2004-2007) and President of the Academic Staff Association (2003-2007). He has also been the Deputy Director of the History and Socio-Culture Cluster of the National Council of Professors since 2008. In 2009, he was seconded to Universiti Malaysia Terengganu as Deputy Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Alumni and then appointed as Vice Chancellor at Sultan Zainal Abidin University from January 2013 to December 2015.

In addition to teaching, he is also the supervisor and examiner of many Masters and PhD candidates locally and abroad. He is also active in research in Malaysia and ASEAN countries. He has presented his work at more than 100 national and international conferences (including England, Scotland, Holland, Italy, Sweden, Germany, Japan, Australia, Portugal, France, Greece, Turkey, Morocco, Indonesia, India, Thailand, and South Africa). His writings have been published in journals (national and international), academic books at the university level, and local newspapers. In early 2009, he was appointed as a Fellow and Visiting Professor at Asia Pacific University and Kyoto Ritsumeikan University in Japan. In 2019, he was also invited to be a Visiting Professor at Cape Peninsula University of Technology (CPUT) in Cape Town, South Africa.