

Further Information

There is no registration fee but participation is on a first come–first–served basis because places are limited. Interested parties are required to fax the enclosed form to the Secretariat by **7 May 2012 (Fax No.: 03-8927 5629)**. Please contact Prof. Dr. Joy Jacqueline Pereira for further information (Tel No.: 03-8921 4852/4858)

Acknowledgement

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About SEADPRI-UKM

The Southeast Asia Disaster Prevention Research Institute (SEADPRI-UKM) was established in June 2008 at Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia. The Institute addresses crucial challenges on disaster risk reduction in the Southeast Asian region. The importance of having a research focal point in this region was felt when Malaysia and neighbouring countries grappled with various issues related to science and governance in facing the 26.12.04 tsunami disaster. SEADPRI-UKM was created to provide basic solutions for disaster prevention through multi- and inter-disciplinary research on risk management to bridge the science-governance interface. The focus of research is on climatic hazards, geological hazards and technological hazards. The emphasis is on capacity building, mainly through post-graduate programmes and specialised training.

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SEADPRI Forum 2012



Advancing Disaster Prevention: Climate Change, Science and Policies

Speaker : Professor Emeritus Julian Hunt
University of Cambridge

Date : 14 May 2012 (Monday)

Time : 1.00 pm – 3.30 pm

Venue : UKM Bangi, Selangor

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The Forum

The SEADPRI Forum is an annual flagship event of the Southeast Asia Disaster Prevention Research Institute of Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (SEADPRI-UKM). The Forum provides a platform for prestigious speakers to share their insights on the latest issues of relevance to disaster prevention, risk reduction and management. The purpose is to foster understanding and strengthen linkages between researchers, practitioners and policy makers in thematic areas including vulnerability of communities, education and awareness as well as governance for human security and sustainability.

Since its initiation, three SEADPRI Forums have been held in Bangi, Malaysia. These are as follows:

- **Hospitals Safe from Disasters**, held on 6 April 2009 and led by Prof. Ted Herbosa of the Philippines, who was then Adjunct Professor at the Department of Emergency Medicine of the UKM Medical Centre. The event was co-organised with Mercy Malaysia and UKM Medical Centre.
- **Climate Change Adaptation and Spatial Planning**, held on 5 Jan 2010 and led by Dr. Philipp Schmidt-Thomé of the Geological Survey of Finland. Co-organisers included the Geological Society of Malaysia and Minerals and Geosciences Department of Malaysia.
- **Climate, Environment and Development in Southeast Asia: Priorities and Challenges**, held on 29 September 2011 conducted by Dr. Raman Letchumanan, Head of the Environment Division at the ASEAN Secretariat. This was jointly organised with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (NRE) and Institute for Environment and Development (LESTARI-UKM).

The Audience

The target audience are participants whose common agenda is to advance disaster prevention by understanding the linkages between climate, science and policy. These include policy-makers, practitioners and researchers from government, universities and non-government entities as well as representatives from the private sector and non-governmental organisations (NGOs).

Tentative Programme

1.00 pm	Registration & Lunch
2.00 pm	Welcoming Remarks
2.05 pm	Moderator's Remarks
2.10 pm	Presentation by Professor Julian Hunt, University of Cambridge
2.50 pm	Discussion Session
3.30 pm	End of Session

About the Speaker

Professor Hunt is Emeritus Professor of Climate Modelling in the Department of Earth Sciences, and Honorary Professor of Mathematics at University College London. He is a Fellow of Trinity College Cambridge and an Honorary Professor in the Department of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics, University of Cambridge. He was Director-General and Chief Executive of the Meteorological Office from 1992-1997. He was created a Baron in the House of Lords (with the title Lord Hunt of Chesterton) in May 2000. He is vice chair and a director of Globe International, which brings together legislators across the world focussing on legislation concerned with the environment. He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society in 1989 and was awarded the L.F. Richardson Prize of the European Geophysical Society in 2001. He is an Honorary Fellow of the Royal Met Society.

His work encompasses environmental fluid mechanics and pollution, modelling of mathematics of ocean-atmosphere dynamics. He and his colleagues developed environmental software and a new air pollution dispersion model, which is now a standard model for the UK Environment Agency. Professor Hunt is presently a J.M. Burgers visiting professor at the Delft University of Technology, Visiting Professor at Arizona State University and Hong Kong University. He has also held several visiting research appointments, including Visiting Professor at Colorado State University in 1975, Visiting Scientist at North Carolina State University, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration between 1977 and 1985, and Visiting Lecturer and Research Adviser to the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi in 1984 to 1986.