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# AI FOR ACCOUNTANTS CONFERENCE 2026

*Lead, Transform, Thrive: Accountants  
in an Age of Intelligent Machines*

30 July 2026 (Thursday), 9.00am – 5.00pm

Connexion Conference & Event Centre @ Nexus,  
Bangsar South, Kuala Lumpur

## OBJECTIVES

- Position accountants as strategic leaders in national sustainability and economic competitiveness, beyond traditional compliance roles
- Integrate AI with sustainability reporting under IFRS S1/S2 and the National Sustainability Reporting Framework (NSRF)
- Strengthen ethical and governance frameworks for AI adoption, including data privacy, algorithmic bias, and cyber-enabled financial fraud
- Build AI-ready finance teams by fostering a culture of digital courage, psychological safety, and continuous learning
- Navigate the journey from RPA to Agentic AI in finance operations
- Transform audit and assurance practices through knowledge intelligence, AI agents, and comprehensive digital oversight

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Chief Information Officers/Information Technology Officers
- Finance & Accounting Professionals
- C-Suites Executives
- Auditors

Malaysia is on a mission to become an inclusive and sustainable AI Nation by 2030. Under the National AI Action Plan 2026–2030, 2026 is designated as a key transition point—a year in which AI shifts from aspiration to nationwide execution across every sector of the economy.

As AI becomes increasingly embedded in business processes and decision-making, the distinctly human responsibilities of accountants—judgement, trust and accountability—become more critical than ever. While technology can generate insights, automate processes and enhance efficiency, organisations will continue to rely on accounting professionals to exercise judgement, challenge assumptions and provide trusted oversight.

This conference equips accounting professionals with the practical knowledge, strategic perspectives and governance insights needed to harness AI responsibly and lead with confidence in an increasingly intelligent economy.



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### CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

8.30 am **REGISTRATION & WELCOME REFRESHMENTS**

9.00 am – 9.10 am **WELCOME REMARKS**

9.10 am – 9.30 am **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

9.30 am – 10.20 am **PANEL SESSION**  
**DRIVING A SUSTAINABLE NATION: HOW AI EMPOWERS ACCOUNTANTS TO LEAD**

This session explores how AI empowers accountants to move beyond traditional roles and take a leadership position in driving national sustainability. From efficient data collection to generating strategic insights, AI enables accountants to enhance sustainability reporting with greater accuracy and transparency.

The session highlights the accountant's vital role in safeguarding the credibility of ESG data through the responsible use of AI-enabled tools. It also demonstrates how AI adoption within the accountancy sector can serve as a model for digital transformation across industries—supporting Malaysia's national sustainability goals, strengthening economic competitiveness, and positioning accountants as leaders in building a sustainable nation.

**MODERATOR**  
**BRYAN CHUNG** | Chair, AI Advisory Committee, Malaysian Institute of Accountants

**PANELLISTS**

- Representative from National AI Office
- Data & Technology Consulting Leader



10.20 am **MORNING REFRESHMENTS & NETWORKING**

10.50 am – 11.35 am **TRUST, INTELLIGENCE AND FORESIGHT: A COMPARATIVE GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK FOR AI IN MALAYSIAN ACCOUNTING**

Artificial intelligence is reshaping every layer of the accounting profession. It is accelerating faster than governance frameworks can currently keep pace. Yet most jurisdictions, including Malaysia, remain underprepared in this space.

This session addresses that gap directly and comparatively. It draws on AI governance frameworks from Singapore, the United Kingdom, the European Union, and Australia. It asks what leading jurisdictions have done and what Malaysia can learn. Most importantly, it asks where Malaysia can lead rather than merely follow.

The session is structured around five interconnected pillars, each examined through a comparative lens.

**SPEAKER**  
**DR CHITHRA LATHA RAMALINGAM** | Senior Lecturer, Department of Business, Law and Taxation, School of Business, Monash University



11.35 am – 12.50 pm **PANEL SESSION**  
**AI DRIVEN ESG AND SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING: WHERE THE GREEN AGENDA MEETS THE MACHINE**

With the implementation of the National Sustainability Reporting Framework (NSRF) and IFRS S1/S2, organisations face increasing demands to collect, validate, and analyse vast volumes of environmental and social data.

This session explores how artificial intelligence is transforming sustainability reporting from a manual, compliance-driven exercise into a strategic capability—enabling accountants to produce high-quality disclosures, enhance data integrity, and identify potential greenwashing risks. The discussion highlights the powerful synergy between AI and ESG reporting, demonstrating how technology can drive real environmental impact while creating long-term strategic and competitive value.

**MODERATOR**  
**RASMIMI RAMLI** | Executive Director, Sustainability, Digital Economy & Services, Malaysian Institute of Accountants

**PANELLISTS**

- DR MATTHEW WONG** | Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder, Carbon GPT
- WONG HUI YIN** | Acting Director, Data & Digital Services, Bursa Malaysia
- WOO JAN NING** | Partner, Ernst & Young PLT



12.50 pm **LUNCH & NETWORKING**



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2.00 pm  
–2.45 pm

#### BEYOND RPA: THE JOURNEY TO AGENTIC AI IN FINANCE AUTOMATION

This session demystifies the journey from traditional Robotic Process Automation (RPA) to the emerging world of Agentic AI in finance. It explores how intelligent, autonomous systems are now capable of managing complex, multi step processes such as month end closing, anomaly detection, and the preparation of management commentary.

Through practical insights and real world examples, the session highlights what organisations need to do—across systems, data, governance, and people—to successfully transition to this next wave of automation and unlock greater efficiency, insight, and strategic value from the finance function.

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SPEAKER

**ZAD CHIN** | Co-Founder, Anygraph



2.45 pm  
–3.30 pm

#### THE AI CYBER ARMS RACE: PROTECTING DATA FROM MACHINE SPEED FRAUD AND DEEPFAKE DECEPTION

Artificial intelligence has compressed the timeline for financial cyberattacks from weeks to hours. Criminals can now scan financial databases and exploit cloud vulnerabilities at machine speed. For accountants, this is not merely a technology risk. It is a professional accountability question. Malaysia's Cyber Security Act 2024 already imposes strict governance obligations on entities in critical sectors. Executive accountability for data breaches is now a legal reality, not a future possibility.

This session examines the dual nature of AI in cybersecurity. It is both the most dangerous threat vector and the most powerful defence mechanism available. Accountants will leave with an understanding of their role in assessing cyber defences and building organisational resilience.

SPEAKER

**UMAIR AHMED** | Founder & Principal Consultant, Asteriqx Consulting



3.30 pm  
–4.30 pm

#### FIRESIDE CHAT

#### LEADING THE AI-READY FINANCE TEAM: CULTURE, CHANGE, AND CAPABILITY

Technology alone is not enough—people drive transformation. This session will guide finance leaders with practical strategies to build an AI-ready team by shaping culture, managing change, and developing critical capabilities. It will also include overcoming resistance, upskilling staff, fostering data literacy, and balancing automation with human judgment.

Walk away with the mindset and tools to lead your team confidently into an AI-driven future—and contribute meaningfully to Malaysia's AI Nation 2030 journey.

HOST

**DR MICHELE SAGAN** | Chief Executive Officer & Founder, Optimal Insight (Centre for Future Insights)

PANELLISTS

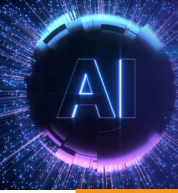
**AZLEEN WARIS** | Chief Financial & Strategy Officer, Ekuiti Nasional Berhad (Ekuinas)

- AI Leader & Data Expert



4.30 pm  
–5.00 pm

#### AFTERNOON REFRESHMENTS & NETWORKING END OF CONFERENCE



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## CONFERENCE SPEAKERS

### AZLEEN WARIS

Azleen is the Chief Financial & Strategy Officer at Ekuiti Nasional Berhad (Ekuinas). She has over 20 years of experience across GLICs, GLCs, and multinational corporations, including Edotco Group (Axiata), PNB, MyCreative Ventures, Media Prima Berhad, and KPMG.

She is a seasoned leader in financial transformation and digitalisation, with a strong track record in driving automation, operational excellence, and value creation. As a CFO, she champions technology as a key enabler, while recognising that people and integrity remain the true drivers of sustainable transformation. With the rise of AI, she believes organisations can unlock deeper data insights, enhance decision-making, and accelerate new pathways for growth.

### BRYAN CHUNG

Bryan is the Executive Director of True Vine Capital Partners (TVCP), a venture capital fund manager in Singapore, with experience across finance and technology, and a career spanning venture investing, incubation and corporate advisory. TVCP is a subsidiary of Piece Future, an IP bank managing patent portfolios for multinational corporations such as Panasonic, Nokia, Casio and Ricoh. Bryan is also the Founder of Incitable Digital Asia, a venture and technology architect that supports startups and SMEs, and the CFO of Fixturegram, an agentic commodity cargo and freight management system provider serving industry leaders. He previously served as Independent Director on the boards of Sim Leisure Group Limited, listed on SGX Catalyst, and CPA Australia Ltd. He currently sits on the board of OMS Energy Technologies Inc., a NASDAQ-listed oil and gas technology manufacturer, where he also chairs the Audit Committee. He is an Accredited Director of Singapore Institute of Directors. He is a member of MIA's Digital Technology Implementation Committee and chairs the AI Advisory Group. He is a Fellow of CIMA (FCMA, CGMA) and serves on the Board of Trustees of the Benevolent Fund for CIMA and AICPA. Bryan holds a Bachelor of Commerce with a major in Accounting and graduated with First Class Honours in Banking and Finance from Monash University, Melbourne.

### DR CHITHRA LATHA RAMALINGAM

Dr Chithra is Senior Lecturer of the Department of Business, Law and Taxation, School of Business at Monash University Malaysia. She teaches Ethics and Global Corporate Governance, Company Law, and Climate Change Policy. She brings thirty years in education and fifteen years in consultancy. She has trained leaders across private, public, and public listed companies. She is a Certified Integrity Officer trained through the academy under MACC. She trains CeO cohorts on contemporary corporate governance challenges and emerging trends. She leads a funded research grant supporting Malaysian enforcement agencies. Her scholarship spans AI governance, corporate governance, integrity, and sustainability. She writes for The Edge Malaysia on global trade, geopolitics, and governance.

### DR MATTHEW WONG KANG YAO

Dr Matthew is the CEO and Co-Founder of Carbon GPT, Malaysia's leading AI-powered sustainability reporting company and the official

AI partner of Bursa Malaysia's Centralised Sustainability Intelligence (CSI) Platform. Carbon GPT supports more than 130 listed and pre-listed companies across Malaysia on IFRS S1 and S2 readiness, gap analysis, and AI-assisted sustainability statement drafting. Matt is an HRD Corp-accredited trainer (ID 12909) and a Malaysia Digital recognised technology founder. His work bridges artificial intelligence, sustainability reporting, and capital markets, with a particular focus on making climate compliance practical, affordable, and accessible to SMEs and SMPs.

### DR MICHELE SAGAN

Dr Michele is a senior leadership, human capital, and transformation expert with 25 years of experience across the UK and Malaysia. She specialises in organisational strategy, culture change, workforce transformation, and leadership development. She has held senior roles in institutions such as Asia School of Business, Iclif Leadership and Governance Centre, UBS, HSBC, and CIMB, where she led departments, drove business growth, and managed client portfolios of up to RM2 billion. Dr Michele holds a BSc and MSc from the London School of Economics and earned her PhD in the Future of Work from the University of Nottingham in 2025.

### RASMIMI RAMLI

Rasmimi Ramli is the Executive Director heading the Sustainability, Digital Economy & Services Division of MIA. Her portfolio encompasses sustainability, digital economy, financial reporting, tax and risk, talent & human capital, information technology, procurement and administration. She leads various key initiatives at MIA including the MIA Sustainability Agenda, MIA Sustainability Blueprint for the Accountancy Profession, MIA Sustainability Roadmap, MIA Digital Technology Blueprint and Digital Technology Adoption Awards, amongst others. She also oversees the technical functions on financial reporting and taxation in MIA. She is currently the technical advisor of the International Public Sector Accounting Standards Board (IPSASB). She sits on the MFRS Application and Implementation Committee (MAIC) and the Government Accounting Standards Advisory Committee (GASAC). She was an auditor with major firms in the UK and Malaysia and was an internal auditor with Maxis Berhad. Rasmimi is a member of MIA and a fellow member of ACCA. She graduated from University of Wales, Cardiff, UK.

### UMAIR AHMED

Umais is the Founder and Principal Consultant at Asteriqx Consulting and an AI Governance and Risk leader with 23 years in financial services across Asia Pacific, the Middle East & Africa, and South Asia. He served as delivery lead for the SCB DataX / SCBX Group Enterprise AI Governance Transformation—ASEAN's benchmark AI/ML governance implementation, delivered in partnership with Accenture and SAS—and has advised governments, regulators, and boards across six countries on AI risk, model governance, and Responsible AI strategy. His career spans senior roles at SAS Institute, Deloitte, Riyadh Bank, and Standard Chartered, and he specialises in NIST AI RMF, ISO 42001, and Agentic AI governance. He holds an MBA in

Banking and Management Information Systems and a B.Sc. in Computer Science. Previous speaking engagements include the PECB AI & Cyber Conference (June 2026), Risk Appetite Conference (2024), and ERP Conference (2023).

### WOO JAN NING

Jan Ning is a Partner in the Financial Services, Assurance practice at Ernst & Young PLT and serves as the Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) Assurance Lead. He brings more than 15 years of experience providing assurance and advisory services across the insurance, reinsurance, takaful and retakaful sectors, as well as broader financial institutions. His audit and advisory portfolio spans insurers, deposit taking institutions, investment holding entities and unit trust funds. His technical experience includes extensive work in Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards (MFRS) and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) implementations, financial audits, due diligence, internal audit and financial instruments reporting.

### WONG HUI YIN

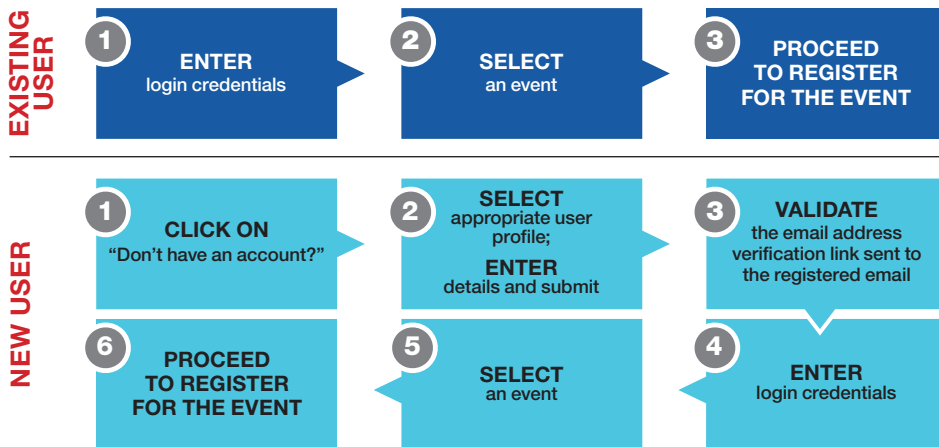
Hui Yin is the Acting Director of Data & Digital Services at Bursa Malaysia, where she leads the strategy, development, and commercialisation of data, index, and sustainability-related solutions. Her mandate focusses on applying analytics, emerging technologies and AI to enhance product relevance, accelerate innovation, and enhance Bursa Malaysia's agility in responding to dynamic market needs. She also plays a pivotal role in shaping Bursa Malaysia's sustainability ecosystem strategy, collaborating across exchanges, corporates, and government-led initiatives. Hui Yin was instrumental in establishing the Centralised Sustainability Intelligence (CSI) Solution for the market and oversees the FTSE4Good Malaysia franchise—driving the adoption of sustainability standards amongst corporate Malaysia.

### ZAD CHIN

Zad Chin is the co-founder of Anygraph, a venture-backed startup building long-horizon AI agents that automate end-to-end high-volume document processing tasks, starting with audit and compliance. Her research background spans machine learning applications in healthcare and biotechnology. She was a Machine Learning Researcher at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. Her earlier research at Harvard's School of Engineering and Applied Sciences focussed on clustering algorithms for ICU timeseries data, with work presented at NeurIPS. At BigHat Biosciences, she developed algorithms to improve protein synthesisability screening in the R&D pipeline. At Harvard, Zad taught across multiple courses in statistics, mathematics, and computer. She holds a B.A. in Statistics and Mathematics and a M.A. in Statistics, both from Harvard University.

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  - Individual Registration:** Full payment shall be made at the point of online registration.
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- Admittance to the programme shall be granted only upon full payment as per the above requirement.

### PAYMENT MODE

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- Should the participant decide to cancel his/her enrolment, a cancellation policy shall be applied as follows:
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  - No refunds will be made for written cancellations received on the day of the programme or for participants who failed to join the programme. Unpaid registrations will also be liable for full payment of the registration fee.
  - Replacing registered participants is not allowed.
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  - The transfer request to future event(s) should be confirmed by Corporate/Individual within three (3) days after cancellation otherwise the cancellation will be confirmed with refund action. Transfer request will not be entertained after the refund is processed.

- Corporate/Individual is required to top-up the balance amount if the amount to be transferred to the future event is insufficient.
- Any excess amount after transfer will be refunded to the Corporate/Individual's bank account as provided in the EFT form.
- Corporate/Individual is required to provide the EFT form each time when a refund is requested.

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Category: Corporate/Individual

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- The information on Corporate/Individual provided shall be deemed true and correct. No alteration will be allowed upon registration.

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- All participants are required to present photo identification (NRIC, driving licence or company's ID card) at the point of registration prior to signing the registration list when attending the programme. Admittance may be denied upon failure to present photo identification.

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