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MALAYSIA TERUS MENGUKUHKAN PERANAN DALAM PEMBANGUNAN STATISTIK GLOBAL YANG KHUSUSNYA MENYUMBANG KEPADA PENGUKURAN AKTIVITI e-DAGANG

PUTRAJAYA, 4 MAC 2024 – Penyertaan Malaysia dalam persidangan tahunan Suruhanjaya Statistik Pertubuhan Bangsa-Bangsa Bersatu (PBB) yang ke-55 (UN55SC) telah berjaya mengetengahkan keupayaan dan kepakaran negara dalam penghasilan statistik rasmi meliputi ekonomi, sosial, demografi dan alam sekitar. Pada sesi ini, Jabatan Perangkaan Malaysia (DOSM) mewakili Malaysia menyertai UN55SC yang telah diadakan dari 27 Februari hingga 1 Mac 2024 di New York. Suruhanjaya ini berperanan sebagai entiti utama dalam sistem statistik global yang menghimpunkan ketua perangkawan/ketua Sistem Statistik Negara (NSSs) dari seluruh dunia untuk membentuk piawaian dan metodologi statistik antarabangsa. Setiap tahun, sebanyak 193 negara anggota PBB dan organisasi antarabangsa berhimpun untuk memajukan inovatif dalam penghasilan data dan maklumat statistik rasmi.

Mewakili Malaysia di UN55SC ialah **YBhg. Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin, Ketua Perangkawan Malaysia** dan **Puan Ezatul Nisha Abdul Rahman, Pengarah Bahagian Perangkaan Komunikasi Strategik dan Antarabangsa**. Kehadiran wakil Malaysia ini memperlihatkan dan menekankan komitmen Malaysia dalam menyumbang secara aktif kepada wacana global mengenai isu-isu statistik semasa.

Malaysia turut menyertai acara sampingan (*side events*) seperti mesyuarat dan seminar peringkat tertinggi dengan berkongsi pengalaman dan amalan terbaik negara bersama perwakilan negara dan agensi statistik antarabangsa yang lain, antaranya dalam pembangunan *Handbook of Household Survey, System National Account 2025* dan *e-commerce* bermula 23 Februari 2024. Sejajar dengan jemputan sebagai ahli kumpulan pakar global, Malaysia turut menyertai mesyuarat seperti *International Comparison Program (ICP) Governing Board, Bureau Members of the ESCAP Committee on Statistics, the OIC Statistical Commission (OIC StatCom), and Inter-Secretariat Working Group on Household Survey (ISWGHS)*. "Melalui peranan penting DOSM dalam mengkoordinasikan sistem statistik Malaysia, penyertaan DOSM dalam himpunan berprestij ini adalah penting untuk menekankan kepentingan dan komitmen negara terhadap pembuatan keputusan berasaskan bukti dan data", tambah Dr. Uzir.

Sejumlah 33 item agenda telah dibincangkan dan diluluskan pada persidangan ini merangkumi: (i) item agenda diskusi dan keputusan (15 agenda); (ii) item agenda keputusan (6 agenda); dan (iii) item agenda pemakluman (12 agenda) yang menyumbang kepada penghasilan keputusan penting bagi pembangunan sistem statistik antarabangsa (<https://unstats.un.org/UNSDWebsite/statcom/documents/55>). Penglibatan dan sumbangan Malaysia termasuk **penyerahan 33 kenyataan bertulis negara dan penyampaian 11 kenyataan lisan negara**. Melalui Inisiatif ini, DOSM telah menekankan kepentingan statistik dan memberikan sokongan kepada usaha Suruhanjaya dalam memperluaskan panduan dan metodologi statistik terkini, merangkumi aspek ekonomi, sosial dan alam sekitar. Usaha ini bertujuan untuk memastikan negara anggota mampu menghasilkan statistik rasmi yang boleh dipercayai, bertepatan masa dan boleh dibandingkan (*comparable*) di peringkat antarabangsa. Antara topik yang difokuskan oleh DOSM pada persidangan kali ini adalah *Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics (FPOS)*, *Working Methods of the Statistical Commission*, *2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development*, *Data Science, Governance Statistics*, *National Accounts*, *Economic Statistics*, *Environmental-economic Accounting*, *Gender Statistics*, *Regional Statistical Development* dan *International Comparison Programme*.

Malaysia turut dijemput sebagai penceramah jemputan dalam satu acara sampingan bertajuk "Mengukur Perdagangan Digital," anjuran Program Ekonomi Digital dan E-Dagang (ECDE) pada 27 Februari 2024. Pada sesi ini Malaysia telah membentangkan peranan Malaysia dalam pengukuran e-dagang disamping Ketua perangkawan dari IMF, UNCTAD, OECD dan *Bureau Economy Analysis*, USA yang juga turut serta dalam platform perkongsian ini. Usaha ini bukan sahaja memberikan sumbangan penting kepada pembangunan kapasiti global, tetapi turut memacu inovasi, kerjasama dan kecemerlangan dalam komuniti statistik antarabangsa.

Selaras dengan penyertaan tersebut, Dr. Uzir menyatakan, "DOSM berpeluang berinteraksi dengan pemimpin dan pakar dunia dalam pelbagai domain statistik berbeza. Suruhanjaya ini berperanan sebagai platform utama delegasi bertukar idea, berkongsi amalan terbaik dan secara kolektif menentukan hala tuju pembangunan rangka kerja statistik global. Pertemuan khusus juga telah diadakan bagi perkongsian kepakaran dan ruang kerjasama strategik bersama Tajikistan, Emiriah Arab Bersatu (UAE), Bank Pembangunan Asia (ADB), Pertubuhan Buruh Antarabangsa (ILO), Pertubuhan Kesihatan Sedunia (WHO), negara anggota ASEAN dan negara OIC serta OECD. Sumbangan meluas dari Malaysia khususnya dalam perhubungan teknikal ini mencerminkan dedikasi DOSM untuk terlibat secara aktif dalam membentuk landskap statistik antarabangsa dan memperkukuhkan jalinan kerjasama strategik bersama agensi antarabangsa yang lain".

Selepas UN55SC, Malaysia akan terus kekal proaktif dalam memperluas jaringan globalnya demi memupuk pertukaran pengetahuan, kepakaran dan mendapatkan pandangan mengenai cabaran statistik, terutamanya dalam aspek pembinaan kapasiti. Interaksi ini tidak hanya memperkuat hubungan antarabangsa, tetapi juga menghasilkan penyelesaian yang inovatif serta menekankan peranan penting dalam meningkatkan kapasiti statistik untuk kesejahteraan komuniti global.

Semasa *Seminar on Emerging Issues: Data Governance across systems: exploring strategies for official statistics*, Malaysia menyokong usaha suruhanjaya dalam menerokai strategi bagi meningkatkan pelaksanaan FPOS dalam NSSs, sejajar dengan 30 tahun pelaksanaannya. Malaysia turut menyokong penganjuran UN World Data Forum yang dijadualkan berlangsung pada 11 hingga 14 November 2024 di Medellin, Colombia.

Sementara itu, DOSM juga mengambil peluang pembelajaran dalam talian dengan menyertai dan menyumbang pengalaman dalam acara sampingan maya yang dianjurkan oleh UNSC dalam pelbagai bidang statistik bermula dari 17 Januari hingga 1 Mac 2024.

UN55SC tahun ini telah menghimpunkan lebih daripada 550 peserta dari 108 negara dan 52 agensi dan pertubuhan bukan kerajaan. Suruhanjaya tersebut menampilkan 350 kenyataan bertulis, 65 acara sampingan secara fizikal dan 33 acara sampingan secara maya yang memfokuskan penerokaan kepentingan dan penyeragaman statistik antarabangsa. Matlamat utama UN55SC adalah untuk meningkatkan kesejahteraan global dengan menekankan usaha kolektif **'Better Data, Better Lives'**.

Penghargaan kepada Perwakilan Tetap Malaysia dan Konsulat General Malaysia di New York di atas kerjasama erat dan pemudah cara di sepanjang tempoh UN55SC, khususnya dalam persediaan bagi pementeraan Memorandum Persefahaman (MoU) antara kerajaan Malaysia dan Uzbekistan yang telah diadakan pada 26 Februari 2024.

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MALAYSIA CONTINUES TO STRENGTHEN ITS ROLE IN GLOBAL STATISTICAL DEVELOPMENT, ESPECIALLY IN CONTRIBUTING TO THE MEASUREMENT OF E-COMMERCE ACTIVITIES

PUTRAJAYA, MARCH 2, 2024 – Malaysia's participation in the 55th session of the United Nations Statistical Commission (UN55SC) has successfully highlighted the country's capabilities and expertise in producing official statistics covering economic, social, demographic, and environmental aspects. At the session, the Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM) represented Malaysia in the UN55SC, held from February 27 to March 1, 2024, in New York. The Commission plays a crucial role as the apex entity of the global statistical system, bringing together chief statisticians and heads of National Statistical Systems (NSSs) from around the world to shape international statistical standards and methodologies. Each year, representatives from approximately 193 UN member countries and international organisations gather to advance innovation in the production of official data and statistical information.

Representing Malaysia at UN55SC were **YBhg. Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin, Chief Statistician Malaysia** and **Ms. Ezatul Nisha Abdul Rahman, Director of the Strategic Communication and International Statistics Division**. Their presence underscored Malaysia's commitment to actively contribute to the global discourse on current statistical matters.

Malaysia actively participated in side events, including meetings and high-level seminars, by sharing the country's experiences and best practices with national representatives and other international statistical agencies. This involvement extended to contributions in the development of key initiatives such as the Handbook of Household Survey, National Account System 2025, and e-commerce, starting on 23 February 2024. Aligning with its role as a member of a global expert group, Malaysia also took part in meetings such as the International Comparison Program (ICP) Governing Board, Bureau Members of the ESCAP Committee on Statistics, the OIC Statistical Commission (OIC StatCom), and the Inter-Secretariat Working Group on Household Survey (ISWGHS). "Given DOSM's pivotal role in coordinating Malaysia's statistical system, our participation in this prestigious gathering is crucial to advancing the nation's interests and upholding our commitment to evidence- and data-based decision-making," added Dr. Uzir.

A total of 33 agenda items were discussed and endorsed by the Commission, including: (i) Items for discussion and decision (15 agenda items); (ii) Items for decision (6 agenda items); and (iii) Items for information (12 agenda items), resulting in crucial decisions for developing the global statistical system (<https://unstats.un.org/UNSDWebsite/statcom/documents/55>). Malaysia's full engagement included **submitting 33 written national statements and delivering 11 oral statements**. Through this initiative, DOSM has emphasised its importance and supported the UN's efforts to strengthen statistical guidelines and methodologies across recent statistical domains encompassing economic, social, and environmental issues. The aim of this endeavour is to ensure that member countries are capable of producing official statistics that are reliable, timely, and comparable on an international level. Among the topics focused on by the DOSM oral are the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics (FPOS), Working Methods of the Statistical Commission, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, Data Science, Governance Statistics, National Accounts, Economic Statistics, Environmental-economic Accounting, Gender Statistics, Regional Statistical Development and the International Comparison Programme.

Malaysia was also invited as a guest speaker at a side event titled "Measuring Digital Trade," hosted by the Digital Economy and E-Commerce Program (ECDE) on 27 February 2024. During this session, Malaysia presented its pivotal role in measuring e-commerce, sharing the platform with Chief Statisticians from the IMF, UNCTAD, OECD, and the US Bureau of Economic Analysis. These collaborative efforts not only significantly contribute to global capacity building but also foster innovation, collaboration, and excellence within the international statistical community.

Reflecting on the participation, Dr. Uzir remarked, "DOSM seized the opportunity to engage with world leaders and experts across various statistical domains. This commission serves as the primary platform for delegations to exchange ideas, share best practices, and collectively chart the course for the development of the global statistical framework. Specialised meetings were convened to exchange expertise and foster strategic cooperation with Tajikistan, the United Arab Emirates (UAE), the Asian Development Bank (ADB), the International Labour Organization (ILO), the World Health Organization (WHO), ASEAN member countries, and OIC and OECD nations. Malaysia's substantial contributions, particularly in these technical relationships, underscore DOSM's commitment to actively shaping the international statistical landscape and strengthening strategic collaborations with other international agencies."

Post-UN55SC, Malaysia will persist in its proactive approach to expanding its global network, facilitating the exchange of knowledge and expertise while gaining valuable insights into statistical challenges, with a particular emphasis on capacity building. These interactions will not only fortify international relations but also yield innovative solutions, underscoring the crucial role of enhancing statistical capacity for the well-being of the global community.

During the "Seminar on Emerging Issues: Data Governance across Systems: Exploring Strategies for Official Statistics," Malaysia endorsed the commission's initiatives aimed at exploring strategies to enhance the implementation of FPOS in NSSs, aligning with its 30-year implementation milestone. Malaysia also further advocates the organisation of the UN World Data Forum, scheduled to be held from 11 to 14 November 2024 in Medellin, Colombia.

Additionally, DOSM seized e-learning opportunities by actively participating and contributing to virtual side events organised by UNSC across diverse statistical domains from 17 January to 1 March 2024.

This year, the commission attracted over 550 participants from 108 countries and 52 agencies and non-governmental organisations. The event featured 350 written statements, 65 in-person side events, and 33 virtual side events, all dedicated to exploring the importance and standardisation of statistics. The primary objective of UN55SC is to enhance global well-being by underscoring the collaborative pursuit of **'Better Data, Better Lives'**.

Gratitude is extended to the Permanent Representative of Malaysia and the Consulate General of Malaysia in New York for their close collaboration and facilitation during the entire UN55SC period, with special emphasis on their efforts in preparing for the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the Malaysian and Uzbekistan governments, which took place on 26 February 2024.

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