



ASEAN SEMICONDUCTOR SUMMIT 2025 TO CATALYZE REGIONAL SUPPLY CHAIN RESILIENCE, TECHNOLOGICAL SECURITY AND INNOVATION

The Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI), in collaboration with the Malaysian Semiconductor Industry Association (MSIA), will proudly host the inaugural ASEAN Semiconductor Summit (ASEMIS) 2025 on 24 July 2025 at the One World Hotel, Petaling Jaya. This one-day event – with the theme "Shaping the Future of ASEAN's Semiconductor Industry" – is aimed at positioning ASEAN as a leading global hub for semiconductor manufacturing, technological security and innovation.

This high-profile summit will bring together a total of **500** attendees, comprising policymakers, industry analysts, economists, sovereign fund representatives and industry leaders from across ASEAN and Asia to engage in high-level discussions on advancing the regional semiconductor ecosystem amidst a rapidly evolving global trade landscape. The ASEAN Framework for Integrated Semiconductor Supply Chain (AFISS) and the Digital Economy Framework Agreement (DEFA) – two key economic deliverables for Malaysia's ASEAN Chairmanship in 2025 – are also expected to be featured strongly in specific discussions.

The **Prime Minister of Malaysia, YAB Dato' Seri Anwar Ibrahim,** is scheduled to deliver a **Keynote Address** at ASEMIS 2025. Other high-profile attendees include the **Menteri Besar of Selangor, YAB Dato' Seri Haji Amirudin Shari, the Chief Minister of Penang, YAB Tuan Chow Kon Yeow** and the Chief Secretary to the Government, **Y.Bhg. Tan Sri Shamsul Azri Abu Bakar,** signifying the strategic importance of the semiconductor industry to Malaysia.

MITI will be represented by its Minister, YB Senator Tengku Datuk Seri Utama Zafrul Aziz, as well as its top management including the Deputy Minister, YB Tuan Liew Chin Tong, the

Secretary-General, and Y.Bhg. Dato' Hairil Yahri Yaacob. The Minister of Human Resource, YB Tuan Steven Sim will also be in attendance, while the Ministry of Education is sending its top management to the event, reflecting the MADANI Government's focus on ensuring a robust talent pipeline for the semiconductor industry.

Tengku Zafrul said, "With a growing number of industries requiring semiconductors as key components, ASEAN is at a pivotal moment in history where it has not just the capacity, but also the strategic neutrality, to strengthen its positioning as the world's leading hub for semiconductors. I am confident ASEMIS 2025 will forge greater cooperation between the public and private sector which will enhance the already strong growth momentum of the semiconductor industry across the region. Hence, Malaysia through platforms such as ASEMIS 2025, is determined to advance the ASEAN Framework for Integrated Semiconductor Supply Chain and strengthen the region's role in ensuring global tech security."

The President of MSIA, Datuk Sri Wong Siew Hai said, "We are pleased to partner with MITI in organizing ASEMIS 2025 for stakeholders to network, gain strategic insights, and help curate the future of the semiconductor industry in ASEAN. Through exclusive opportunities to connect with key decision-makers and industry captains, delegates could catalyse their business growth through collaborative ventures which would certainly help drive ASEAN's regional competitiveness."

Esteemed panelists include industry association leaders from Malaysia, Singapore, the Philippines, Thailand and Vietnam who will discuss public-private collaborations and the drive for greater regional cooperation. Sustainability will also be a major focus at ASEMIS 2025, with an ESG panel examining how environmental, social, and governance practices are shaping the future of the semiconductor industry in ASEAN.

Another key highlight of ASEMIS 2025 is the **booth showcase** by, among others, the states of **Penang** and **Selangor**. **Beckoff, HSBC, Infineon, Selangor Information Technology & Digital Economy Corporation (SIDEC), UOB and Vitrox** – Gold Sponsors for the event – will also be showcasing their products and services at ASEMIS 2025.

MITI's booth will highlight its key industrial policies, including the New Industrial Master Plan 2030 and the National Semiconductor Strategy (NSS), particularly major initiatives on strengthening Malaysia's position in the regional industrial supply chain, promoting a strong tech-up culture among SMEs, facilitating cross-sectoral convergence, and developing a robust STEM talent pipeline for high-tech industries. Through the NSS, Malaysia is committed to transitioning from traditional back-end manufacturing to high-value front-end activities, including integrated circuit design and advanced packaging. For ASEMIS 2025, MITI is also supported by its agencies, including Collaborative Research in Engineering, Science & Technology (CREST), Malaysian Industrial Development Authority (MIDA), Malaysia External Trade Development Corporation (MATRADE) and Malaysian Industrial Development Finance Berhad (MIDF).

For further information on ASEMIS 2025, please go to: https://mena-asian.com/asemis

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<u>About MITI:</u> MITI is the key driver in making Malaysia the preferred destination for quality investments and enhancing the nation's rising status as a globally competitive trading nation. Its objectives and roles are oriented towards ensuring Malaysia's rapid economic development and helping to achieve the country's stated goal of becoming a developed nation.

<u>About MSIA:</u> MSIA is an industry association which represents the Malaysian Semiconductor Industry (Electronics and Systems) and Semiconductor Industry supply chain. Its key objectives are to strategically develop the industry and support Malaysia semiconductor companies to move up the global value chain and be globally competitive.

