

EY Tax Academy Flagship Series

# 2025 Budget and Tax Conference

5 November 2024

DoubleTree by Hilton Melaka



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## Tuesday, 5 November 2024

| Time       | Event  |
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| 8:15 a.m.  | Registration   |
| 9:00 a.m.  | Welcome address  |
| 9:15 a.m.  | Snapshot of the Malaysian economy in 2024  |
| 9:30 a.m.  | <b>Plenary 1</b><br>Budget 2025 tax proposals - Part 1   |
| 10:30 a.m. | Coffee break and networking  |
| 10:45 a.m. | <b>Plenary 2</b><br>Budget 2025 tax proposals - Part 2   |
| 12:30 p.m. | Networking lunch   |
| 2:00 p.m.  | Evolving global and Malaysia tax enforcement landscape   |
| 2:15 p.m.  | <b>Plenary 3</b><br>Tax controversy<br>Transfer pricing controversy<br>Indirect tax controversy  |
| 3:45 p.m.  | Coffee break and networking  |
| 4:00 p.m.  | <b>Plenary 4</b><br>Panel discussion and clinic on "Resolve, manage and prevent tax controversy" |
| 5:00 p.m.  | Question and answer session  |
| 5:15 p.m.  | Closing remark   |
| 5:30 p.m.  | End of conference  |

## Speaker profiles

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### Robert Yoon

EY Asia-Pacific Fixed Asset Services Leader, EY Asean Quantitative Services Leader, Malaysia Business Tax Services Leader, Tax Technology Services Leader and Partner, Ernst & Young Tax Consultants Sdn. Bhd.

Robert is a Tax Partner at Ernst & Young Tax Consultants Sdn. Bhd. and leads the Johor Tax Practice. Robert has over 28 years of professional experience in the field of taxation, including expertise in fixed asset services for more than 22 years. Robert's tax compliance experience covers various industries, from investment holding to manufacturing, trading, energy and services sectors. He has led Asia Pacific capital allowance studies and fixed asset services for more than 1,700 buildings across several countries, including Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia, Vietnam, and Cambodia. He also successfully rolled out tax automation for fixed assets services, which includes machine learning and Artificial Intelligence.



### Bernard Yap

Malaysia Private Tax Leader and Partner, Ernst & Young Tax Consultants Sdn. Bhd.

Bernard is the Malaysia Private Tax Leader and Partner at Ernst & Young Tax Consultants Sdn. Bhd. He also leads the Financial Services Tax team in Malaysia. Bernard has over 24 years of experience providing tax advisory and compliance services to conventional and Islamic banks, insurance companies, private companies, family businesses, private equity and asset management companies, as well as high net worth individuals. He also works closely with the EY Global Tax policy network to help develop and implement policy initiatives.



### Hisham Halim

Partner, International Tax and Transaction Services, Ernst & Young Tax Consultants Sdn. Bhd.

Hisham has over 25 years of transfer pricing and corporate tax experience in Malaysia and overseas. He has managed complex transfer pricing projects and controversies for large multinationals and government-linked Companies (GLCs) across various industries. His experience also includes developing and implementing transfer pricing strategies and policies, preparing documentation for large groups of companies, as well as operational transfer pricing matters.



### Irene Ang

Partner, People Advisory Services, Ernst & Young Tax Consultants Sdn. Bhd.

Irene has 21 years of experience in People Advisory Services practice, focusing on Global Mobility, Tax and Immigration. She has broad experience in coordinating and managing compliance requirements for international assignees. This includes advising multinational companies on income tax, social security and immigration requirements. Irene has been involved in tax planning exercises, conducted tax compliance reviews for companies, and assisted clients in reviewing and implementing various types of employee share schemes.

She is a licensed tax agent under the Malaysian Income Tax Act, 1967, She is also actively involved in conducting Breakfast Talks and People Advisory Services workshops and seminars for clients as well as tax training for internal staff.

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### Jalbir Singh Riar

Partner, Indirect Tax,  
Ernst & Young Tax  
Consultants Sdn. Bhd.

Jalbir has 17 years of experience in providing advisory and compliance services on indirect tax matters, covering service tax, sales tax, goods and services tax (GST), excise duty, customs importation and exportation, free zones, licensed manufacturing warehouses, import duty exemption, refunds and drawbacks, customs procedures and facilities, various free trade agreements, and cross-border indirect tax planning for a wide variety of industries.



### Chua Siong Chee

Associate Partner,  
Business Tax Services,  
Ernst & Young Tax  
Consultants Sdn. Bhd.

Siong Chee has more than 18 years of professional experience in taxation. He has extensive experience in tax advisory, tax planning, tax incentive applications, stamp duty and real property gains tax exemption application, income tax ruling applications, corporate tax due diligence reviews and corporate tax compliance. He is also a team member of Japan Business Services (JBS) Unit within the tax practice of EY in Malaysia, which provides tax compliance and tax advisory services to Japanese clients.



### Chan Vai Fong

Associate Partner,  
Business Tax Services,  
Ernst & Young Tax  
Consultants Sdn. Bhd.

Vai Fong has more than 17 years of experience in tax audit and investigation engagements involving corporate income tax, petroleum income tax, personal tax for large Malaysian corporations, multinationals and individuals. Vai Fong is actively involved in business tax advisory, business tax compliance, international tax and transfer pricing engagements. Vai Fong has also assisted clients with tax controversy management during tax audits and investigations by HASiL, serving both Malaysian and multinational companies.



### Aljo Barias

Senior Manager,  
Indirect Tax,  
Ernst & Young Tax  
Consultants Sdn. Bhd.

Aljo has more than 13 years of in-depth experience in taxation, specializing in business tax compliance services, tax compliance reviews, audit-integrated test of tax controls, and tax advisory services. He has gained exposure in various industries including manufacturing and trading, automotive, fast-moving consumer goods, and other service-oriented companies. Aljo has been actively involved in indirect tax compliance and implementation projects, advisory work, health check services, due diligence jobs and user trainings for several clients in Malaysia. He has provided assistance to a notable conglomerate in Malaysia and an international manufacturing and direct selling company in the Philippines in the areas of tax advisory and compliance during his secondments. Aljo has assisted several groups of companies in Malaysia with the implementation of GST 1.0 and SST 2.0 and compliance needs.

# Registration fees

| Registration fee<br>(per person)   | Fee*<br>(RM) |
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| Normal rate  | 700          |
| <b>Group registration</b><br>A group of three individuals and above registering under the same company or group of companies   | 630          |
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Closing date: 29 October 2024

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- ▶ Certificate of attendance for seven CPE hours.

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A confirmation email will be sent within three working days upon receipt of the online registration form.



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Replacements are allowed before the closing date.



Register at the counter for attendance by 8:45 a.m. on the conference day.

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- ▶ Please **indicate** in the registration form if the participant intends to **claim the HRDC training grant**. A maximum of nine participants from the same employer is permissible according to the HRDC guidelines.
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- ▶ A confirmation email will be issued within three working days upon receipt of the online registration form.

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  - a) Must register at the counter by 8:45 a.m. on the day of the conference.
  - b) The e-Certificate of Attendance will only be released to the registered participant with full attendance and full payment after the completion of the conference.

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- ▶ Please **email your grant approval code** to us **by 29 October 2024** to confirm your participation.

### Trainer profile for HRDC



#### **Irene Ang**

Partner, People Advisory Services,  
Ernst & Young Tax Consultants Sdn. Bhd.

#### **Education**

Bachelor of Arts Degree in Accounting and Financial Management, University of Essex

#### **Memberships and affiliations**

- ▶ Fellow, Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA)
- ▶ Chartered Accountant, Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA)
- ▶ Licensed Tax Agent with the Ministry of Finance, Malaysia

#### **Professional background**

- ▶ Irene has broad experience in coordinating and managing compliance requirements for international assignees. This includes advising multinational companies on income tax, social security and immigration requirements.
- ▶ She has been involved in tax planning for employees on cross border assignments as well as remuneration restructuring for tax efficiency.
- ▶ Irene has also conducted tax compliance reviews for companies to assess and highlight risks of non-compliance as an employer.
- ▶ She is experienced in reviewing various types of employee share schemes, such as Employee Stock Options, Employee Share Purchase Plan, Restricted Stock Units, Share Appreciation Rights and advising on the Malaysian income tax and social security implications arising from the different schemes. This includes ensuring compliance with the necessary statutory requirements for both employers and employees.
- ▶ Irene has also assisted clients in reviewing their international assignment policies, which include tax equalization policies, reviewing employment contracts or secondment letters and provide tax-efficient recommendations.
- ▶ Irene is skilled in advising on immigration matters and assisting companies in obtaining the appropriate passes for their talents.