



UPM
UNIVERSITI PUTRA MALAYSIA
SERILMU BERBAKTI

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Welcome to

2027 IAFICO ANNUAL CONFERENCE GLOBAL FORUM FOR FINANCIAL CONSUMERS

(18-19 August 2027)

Faculty of Human Ecology
Universiti Putra Malaysia
Serdang, Selangor
Malaysia

With Knowledge We Serve Agriculture • Innovation • Life





VISION

To become a university of international repute

MISSION

To make meaningful contributions towards creation of prosperity and development of the nation and the well-being of all human beings through the exploration and dissemination of knowledge

EDUCATIONAL GOAL

Produce superior graduates who are holistic, ihsan, patriotic and resilient

VALUES

Ihsan, Diversity, Sustainability

NICHE AREA

Agriculture

UNIVERSITY MANAGEMENT



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Information | as of April 2026



Serdang

3000 Hectares

Located within 30 mins to Kuala Lumpur, Putrajaya & KLIA

Bintulu

714.178 Hectares

UPMKB is situated 13 km from the town of Bintulu and is surrounded by lush green forest rich with many different types of flora and fauna.



7,100+ Staff

1,800+

Academic Staff

5,300+

Non – academic staff

as of June 2024



Student Mobility Programmes

1341

Inbound Student

674

Outbound Student

as of June 2024



27,900+

Approximately 27,900 student population comprises both local and international students from more than 75 countries around the world

17,900+

Undergraduate students
as of May 2024

10,000+

Postgraduate Students
as of August 2024



84 Responsibility Centres

- 15** Faculties
- 23** Centres
- 11** Institutes
- 10** Residential Colleges
- 11** Offices
- 6** Divisions
- 5** Services
- 1** Academy
- 2** Schools

INTERNATIONAL RANKING

138th

QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS

2027

22nd

QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS

Asia 2026

20 Subjects
TOP 200

QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS

By subject

2026

329th

QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS

Sustainability 2026

31st
In the World

UI Green Metric
World University Ranking

2025

55th

BEST GLOBAL UNIVERSITIES
U.S. News RANKINGS

81st

THE WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS
EMERGING ECONOMIES

38th in the world
Veterinary Science

64th in the world
Agriculture & Forestry

1st in Malaysia

401-600th
2025

THE IMPACT RANKINGS

132nd

THE WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS
ASA 2026

Information | as of June 2026

FACULTIES, INSTITUTES & SCHOOLS



Faculties

- Faculty of Agriculture
- Faculty of Science
- Faculty of Engineering
- Faculty of Educational Studies
- Faculty of Food Science and Technology
- Faculty of Forestry and Environment
- Faculty of Veterinary Medicine
- Faculty of Human Ecology
- Faculty of Modern Languages and Communication
- Faculty of Design and Architecture
- Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences
- Faculty of Computer Science and Information Technology
- Faculty of Biotechnology and Biomolecular Sciences
- Faculty of Agricultural and Forestry Science (UPMKB)
- Faculty of Humanities, Management and Science (UPMKB)

Institutes

- Institute of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology (ION2)
- Malaysian Research Institute on Ageing (MyAgeing™)
- Institute for Mathematical Research (INSPERM)
- Halal Products Research Institute (IPPH)
- Institute for Social Science Studies (IPSAS)
- Institute of Plantation Studies (IKP)
- International Institute of Aquaculture and Aquatic (I-AQUAS)
- Institute of Bioscience (IBS)
- Institute of Tropical Forestry and Forest Products (INTROP)
- Institute of Tropical Agriculture and Food Security (ITAFoS)
- Institute of Ecosystem Science Borneo (UPMKB)



Higher Education Centre of Excellence (HICoE)

- Institute of Bioscience (IBS)
- Institute of Tropical Forestry and Forest Products (INTROP)
- Institute of Tropical Agriculture and Food Security (ITAFoS)

Schools

- School of Graduate Studies
- School of Business and Economics



Information | As of April 2025



INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIVE PROGRAMMES (ICP)



University of Newcastle Australia

- Programme (s) Jointly Awarded PhD



University of Paris 1 Pantheon Sorbonne, France

- Programme (s) Cotutelle (PhD)



Kyushu Institute of Technology, Japan

- Programme (s) Double Master Double PhD



Naresuan University, Thailand

- Programme (s) Dual Master Dual PhD



Maejo University, Thailand

- Programme (s) Dual PhD



Sharif University of Technology, Iran

- Programme (s) Jointly Awarded Master
- Jointly Awarded PhD

STRATEGIC COLLABORATION

Information | As of August 2024

International MoU/MoA

226

Numbers of Collaboration
by Continent

Total Domestic and International Collaborations

408

Domestic MoU/MoA

179

86

Industries
Collaborations

75

Government
Agencies\NGO
Collaborations

75

Universities/
Institute
Collaborations





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ORGANIZATIONAL CHART MANAGEMENT FACULTY OF HUMAN ECOLOGY

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HISTORY ABOUT

Faculty of Human Ecology, UPM



UPM
UNIVERSITI PUTRA MALAYSIA
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FAKULTI
EKOLOGI MANUSIA
FACULTY OF HUMAN ECOLOGY
فاكولتي ايكلوگي مائني

The Faculty of Human Ecology (FEM) was officially established on 1st April 1992 through the merger of the Department of Human Development Studies from the Faculty of Agriculture with the Department of Social Sciences from the Faculty of Educational Studies



Four departments were then established, namely, the Department of Family Development Studies, Department of Resource Management and Consumer Studies, Department of Community Nutrition and Health, and the Department of Social Development Studies.

As its name implies, the Faculty of Human Ecology focuses on human beings as the pillars of progress and development of a country. As a social science-based faculty, its teaching and learning and research and professional services activities are aimed at enhancing the well-being of individuals, families and communities.



5 DEPARTMENTS@ FEM



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Department of Human Development and Family Studies (JPMPK)

- ❑ The field of family and child development

01



Department of Social and Development Sciences (JSKP)

- ❑ The field of social sciences and humanity

02



Department of Government and Civilisation Studies (JPKK)

- ❑ Field of politics and government, philosophy and civilization studies

03



04

Department of Resource Management and Consumer Studies (JPSP)

- ❑ field of management and consumerism



05

Department of Music (JM)

- ❑ Field of classical and contemporary music



Selamat Datang ke **Fakulti Ekologi Manusia** Faculty of Human Ecology Ph.D | Master | Bachelor



Undergraduate

FEM offers five full time programmes courses to qualified candidates with...more...

- Overview
- Curriculum Structure & Study Scheme
- Entry Requirements
- Programme Outcomes
- Undergraduate Study Programme Hand Book
- Bachelor Dissertation Handbook
- Lecture Timetable
- Academic Calendar 2022/2023 Session
- A List of Prize

Postgraduate

The Faculty of Human Ecology offers 13 Master of Science Programme with thesis and 13 Ph.D...more...

- Overviews
- List of Postgraduate Programs Offered
- Admission Requirements
- Graduating Requirements
- Education Programme
- Postgraduate Student Handbook
- Study Cost
- Course Offered Second Semester 2022/2023
- Academic Calendar Second Semester 2022/2023
- Viva Voce Examination Student Information Faculty Of Human Ecology

Mobility

- Brochure Summer Program FEM 2019
- Statistic of Student Mobility (Inbound & Outbound)

Industrial Training

- Internship Handbook
- Full List Agencies by Internship Programme
- Career Prospects



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[Fakulti Ekologi Manusia UPM](#)

Website



YouTube



Faculty of Human Ecology, UPM

GFFC 2027

- Date:** 18-19 August 2027
- Venue:** Al-Farabi Conference Hall,
Faculty of Human Ecology, Universiti Putra Malaysia, Malaysia
- Host:** International Academy of Financial Consumers (IAFICO)
- Local Host:** Faculty of Human Ecology, Universiti Putra Malaysia
Malaysian Consumer and Family Economics Association (MACFEA)
Malaysian Financial Planning Council (MFPC)
- Chairman GFFC:** Prof. Dr. Mohamad Fazli Sabri
Dean, Faculty of Human Ecology, Universiti Putra Malaysia
President (IAFICO:2027)
President (MACFEA)
Vice President (Research & Publication, MFPC)



2027 GFFC — Call for Papers

Theme:

Empowering Financial Consumers for an Inclusive, Resilient and Sustainable Future

The GFFC provides an engaging forum for international academics, policymakers, regulators, practitioners and consumer advocates to exchange research, policy insights and practical solutions for financial consumer protection and well-being.

Submissions are welcomed across consumer finance—including banking, insurance and takaful, investments, savings, credit, digital payments and financial advice—and from all geographic regions.

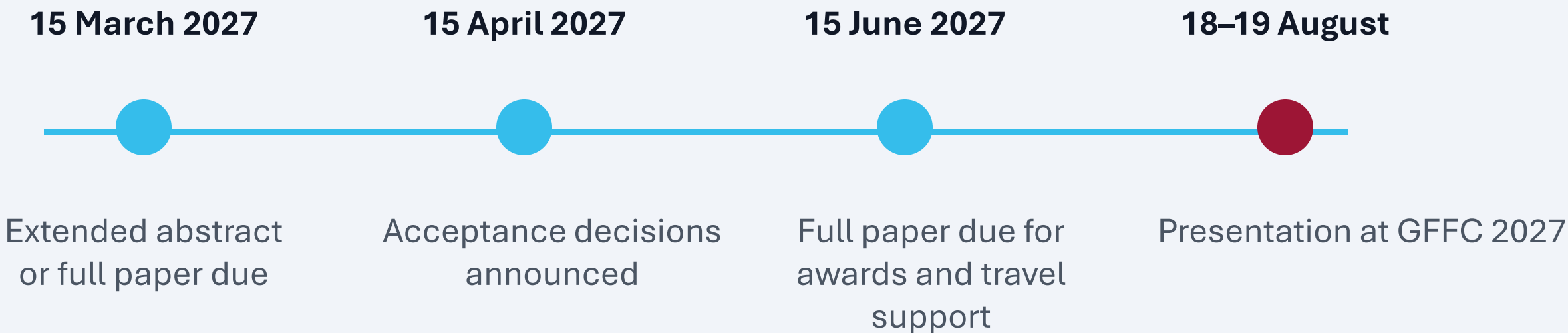
High-quality extended abstracts and full papers are invited from researchers, scholars, postgraduate students and practitioners.

2027 GFFC — Suggested Topics

- Financial consumer well-being and resilience
- Financial inclusion and financial accessibility
- Financial literacy, capability, counselling and education
- Consumer behaviour and financial decision-making
- Consumer credit, household debt and responsible lending
- Savings, investments, retirement and wealth building
- Insurance, takaful and household risk protection
- Fintech, AI and responsible financial innovation
- Digital payments, open finance and digital assets
- Cybersecurity, financial scams, data privacy and digital trust
- Sustainable finance, climate resilience and ESG
- Islamic and values-based finance
- Financial consumers across the life course
- Vulnerable and underserved consumer populations
- Financial consumer protection, regulation and redress
- Emerging issues in global consumer finance



2027 GFFC —Submission Information



Selected papers may be invited for publication in the International Review of Financial Consumers (IRFC), subject to editorial review and journal requirements.

Proposed dates follow the 2026 benchmark and require IAFICO confirmation.

2027 GFFC —Travel Scholarships

IAFICO may offer approximately ten travel scholarships

Indicative package: conference registration fee + USD 300

Eligibility

Paid IAFICO member
In-person paper presenter
Assistant professor, junior
lecturer or doctoral candidate

Joint research

Where multiple authors
present on site, the
scholarship may be divided
among the presenters.

Confirmation

Number, value, eligibility and award
process remain subject to IAFICO
approval and available funding.

2027 GFFC — IAFICO Membership

Membership application : www.iafico.org/membershipfee

Email: iafico@iafico.org

Developed economies

USD 100 per year

Developing economies

USD 50 per year

Membership supports participation in IAFICO's global academic and professional network of scholars, policymakers, regulators and practitioners.

2027 GFFC — Registration Fees

Early bird • by 15 June 2027

Indicative early-bird rates

IAFICO member: USD 200

Non-member: USD 300

Student / developing-country /
online member presenter: USD 100

Regular • after 15 June 2027

Indicative regular rates

On-site IAFICO member: USD 250

Non-member: USD 350

Student / developing-country /
online member presenter: USD 100

2027 GFFC — Conference Venue

Al-Farabi Conference Hall

Faculty of Human Ecology
Universiti Putra Malaysia
43400 UPM Serdang
Selangor, Malaysia





FACULTY MEETING ROOM



LECTURE HALL: DKFEM 1-3



LECTURE ROOM: IBU KHALDUN & AL FANSURI



LECTURE ROOM: BKFEM1-6

2027 GFFC — Malaysia Travel & Visitor Guide

Conference essentials

Plan your journey to UPM with confidence

This section brings together essential information on airport transfers, accommodation, local transport, entry requirements and nearby attractions for international conference participants.

The conference will be held at the Faculty of Human Ecology, Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), Serdang, Selangor—within easy reach of Putrajaya and Kuala Lumpur.

Travel times are indicative and may vary with traffic. Participants should confirm current immigration, visa and health requirements before departure.

UPM is strategically located between Kuala Lumpur and Putrajaya

Key Distances & Travel Times



KLIA → UPM (Serdang)

~40-41 km by road

≈45-60 minutes (traffic-dependent)



UPM → Kuala Lumpur City

~20-25 km to KLCC area

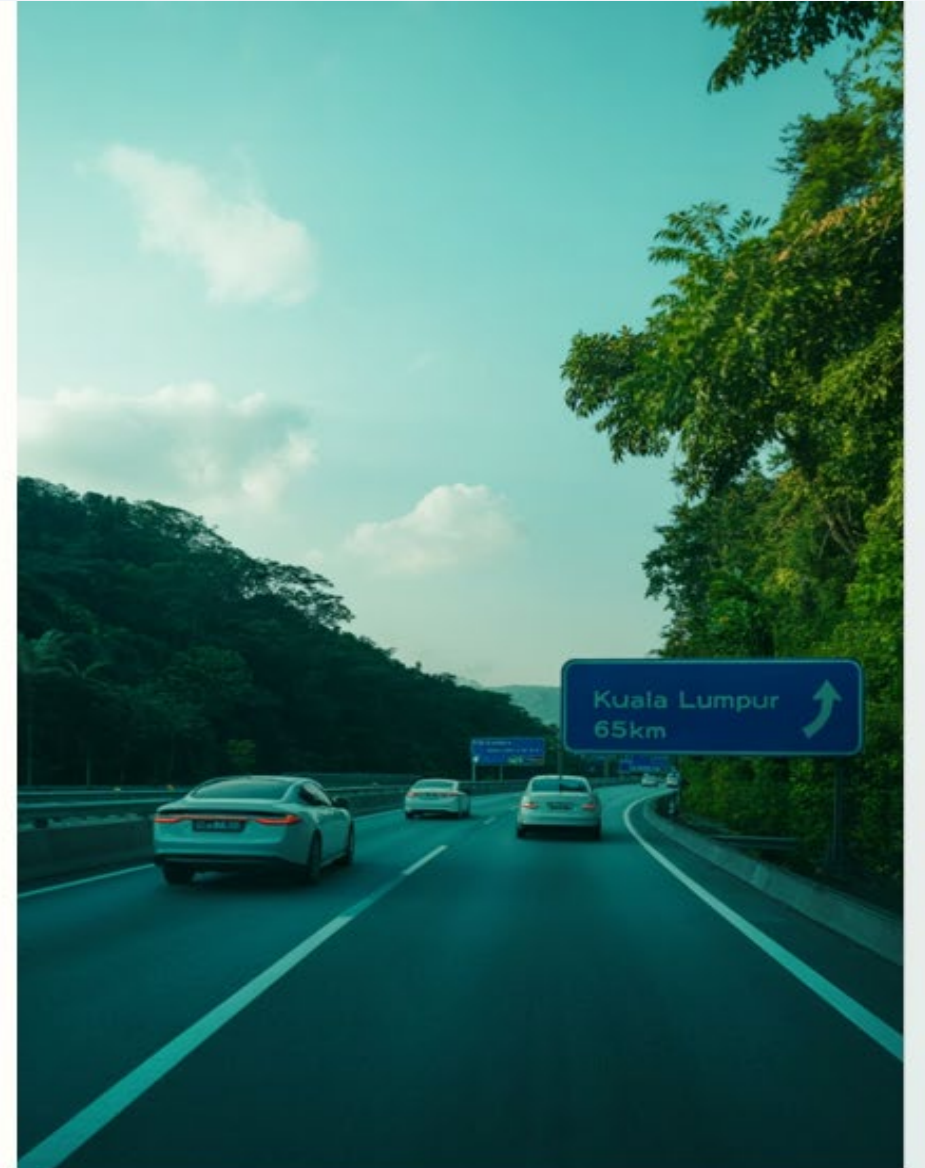
≈30-60 minutes (traffic-dependent)



UPM → Putrajaya

~13-16 km

≈20-30 minutes



Hotels Near UPM

IOI Resort City Area (~3.3-3.6 km)

- Putrajaya Marriott Hotel (~3.3 km)
- Le Méridien Putrajaya (~3.5 km)
- Palm Garden Hotel, Putrajaya (~3.3 km)
- Moxy Putrajaya (~3.6 km)

Putrajaya Area

- Zenith Putrajaya (~8-10 km, lakeside)
- Dorsett Putrajaya (~18-21 km, Precinct 3)

Airport Area

- Sama-Sama Hotel KLIA (~27 km to UPM, ~4 km to KLIA)
- Useful for late flights

The [IOI Resort City](#) area hotels offer the most convenient access to UPM campus while providing excellent amenities and proximity to IOI City Mall.





Putrajaya: Architectural Highlights

Iconic Structures

- Putra Mosque (the "Pink Mosque")
- Perdana Putra (Prime Minister's Office)
- Masjid Tuanku Mizan (Iron Mosque)
- Seri Wawasan Bridge

Natural Attractions

- Putrajaya Lake
- Taman Botani Putrajaya (Botanical Garden)
- Moroccan Pavilion (Astaka Morocco)
- Wetlands Park

Shopping

- IOI City Mall (nearest to UPM, features ice rink, theme park, city farm)
- Alamanda Putrajaya (central Putrajaya mall)

UPM Campus Attractions

eDU-PARK® / University Agriculture Park

UPM offers unique edutourism programs and farm experiences through its eDU-PARK® initiative. Visitors can enjoy:

- Farm Fresh experiences
- Tractor tours around the scenic campus
- Petting zoo with farm animals
- Agricultural demonstrations
- Nature walks through campus grounds

These attractions showcase UPM's commitment to agricultural education and sustainable practices while providing a refreshing break from conference activities.

FARM FRESH@UPM ENTRANCE FEES		
WEEKDAYS (TUE-FRI), WEEKENDS & PUBLIC HOLIDAYS		
MALAYSIAN		
ADULTS (21 AND ABOVE) KIDS AGE 4 - 12 (UNDER 4 FREE) SENIOR CITIZEN (60 AND ABOVE)		
ADULTS	KIDS	SENIOR CITIZEN
RM 15	RM 10	RM 10
NON-MALAYSIAN		
ADULTS (21 AND ABOVE) KIDS AGE 4 - 12 (UNDER 4 FREE) SENIOR CITIZEN (60 AND ABOVE)		
ADULTS	KIDS	SENIOR CITIZEN
RM 35	RM 25	RM 25
* CLOSED ON MONDAYS VISITORS NEED TO PRESENT THEIR IDS UPON TICKET PURCHASE		

Kuala Lumpur: Must-See Attractions



PETRONAS Twin Towers

Iconic 452m tall twin skyscrapers with observation deck, Suria KLCC shopping mall, and beautiful park with dancing fountains.



KL Tower

Communications tower offering spectacular city views from its Observation Deck and thrilling Sky Deck/Sky Box experiences.



Batu Caves

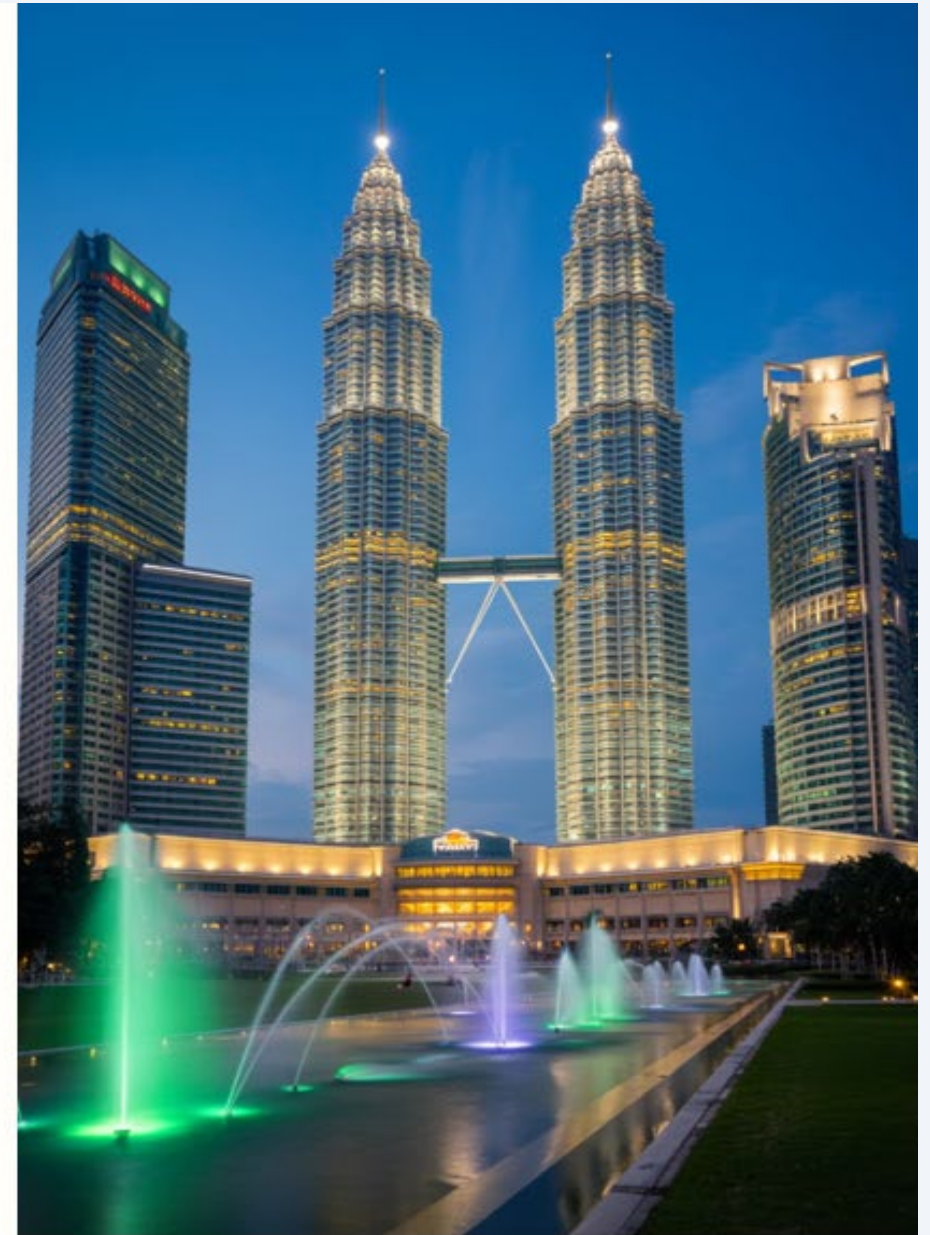
Iconic Hindu cave temple featuring a towering golden statue and 272 colorful steps leading to limestone caves with shrines.



The Exchange TRX

Newest flagship mall with 10-acre city park and MRT interchange, representing Malaysia's modern development.

Note: Merdeka 118 (world's second-tallest building) opened in 2024, but public observation deck access is still rolling out—check status if interested.



Day Trip Options

UPM Departure

Start at Universiti Putra Malaysia

Melaka Route

130-145 km · ~2-3 hr · North-South
Hwy landmarks



Genting Route

70-77 km · ~1.5-2 hr · Awana,
Gohtong Jaya

Genting Highlands

Mountain resort with theme parks, casinos and cool climate

- From UPM: ~70-77 km (~1h15m-1h45m)
- From KL: ~50-52 km (~1 hour)

Key Arrival

Tourist spots and city centers

Melaka (Malacca)

UNESCO World Heritage city with rich colonial history

- From UPM: ~130-145 km (~1.5-2.5 hours)
- From KL: ~139-145 km (~2 hours)



Getting Around: Quick Reference

1

KLIA → UPM (Fastest Transit)

KLIA Transit → Putrajaya Sentral → MRT Putrajaya Line to UPM station
→ campus shuttle/walk/taxi

2

KLIA → Kuala Lumpur City

KLIA Ekspres to KL Sentral (28 min) → LRT/MRT to hotel/venue

3

UPM ↔ Putrajaya

Direct MRT Putrajaya Line (~14 min)

4

UPM ↔ Kuala Lumpur

MRT Putrajaya Line → interchange to other MRT/LRT lines

Malaysia's public transportation system is modern, efficient, and connects all major destinations. **Ride-hailing services** (Grab) are also widely available and affordable.

Travel Tips & Summary

Key Takeaways

- UPM is strategically located between KL and Putrajaya
- KLIA Transit and MRT provide efficient public transportation
- Hotels near IOI Resort City offer closest accommodation to UPM
- Putrajaya's architectural wonders are just 13-16 km away
- Kuala Lumpur's iconic attractions are within 20-25 km
- Day trips to Genting Highlands or Melaka are feasible

Practical Advice

For the **best conference experience**:

- Consider hotels in IOI Resort City area for convenience
- Use MRT Putrajaya Line for easy access to UPM campus
- Allow extra time for traffic during peak hours
- Explore Putrajaya's attractions between conference sessions
- Plan a day in KL before or after the conference



Essential Entry Requirements

Passport Validity

Must be valid for at least 6 months from the date of entry to Malaysia.

Malaysia Digital Arrival Card (MDAC)

Most foreign visitors must submit MDAC within 3 days before arrival (free of charge). Keep the digital/printed confirmation for inspection.

Common exemptions: Singapore passport holders (all entry points), diplomatic/official passport holders, and some border-pass holders.

Return/Onward Ticket & Accommodation

Be prepared to show proof of return/onward travel and accommodation details if requested by immigration officials.

 **Important:** Only use the official Immigration and eVISA sites. Be wary of third-party MDAC or visa sites that charge fees.



Visa Requirements by Nationality

Check visa requirements by nationality using Malaysia's official visa checker. If a visa is required, apply online via the official eVISA portal only.

ASEAN Passports

Generally visa-free (length varies by nationality; check the official list).

US/UK/EU/AU/NZ

Typically visa-free for short stays (exact allowance varies; confirm via the official checker).

India Passports

Visa-free for up to 30 days for social/business visits until 31 Dec 2026 (MDAC still required; not valid for work/study).

China Passports

Mutual visa-free travel effective 17 Jul 2025 – up to 30 days per visit, max 90 days in any 180-day period (MDAC applies).

Conference Attendees & Health Requirements

Purpose of Visit

- Attending a conference/meeting is covered under a Short-Term Social Visit Pass given on arrival to visa-free/eVISA holders.
- Speaking/training with services rendered (especially if paid) may require a Professional Visit Pass (PVP) arranged by the Malaysian host in advance.

Health Requirements

- Yellow Fever certificate is required if arriving from (or transiting >12 hours through) a yellow-fever-risk country.
- Without proper certification, travelers may be quarantined for up to 6 days.

01

Passport valid 6+ months from arrival

02

Complete MDAC online 3 days before arrival (unless exempt)

03

Check visa need by nationality; apply eVISA if required

04

Bring return/onward ticket and hotel/venue details

05

Carry Yellow Fever vaccination certificate if applicable



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Thank you