# SPEAKERS'PROFILE

#### **Mr Yap Weng Seong**

Senior Manager, Regulatory Review & Development Section, Regulatory Development & Services Division, Companies Commission of Malaysia

Mr Yap Weng Seong is a Fellow Member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA), United Kingdom, and a member of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA). He also holds a "Certification in Training" certificate awarded by Pembangunan Sumber Manusia Berhad and Certificate IV in Training and Assessment awarded by Management Consultancy International Pty Ltd, Australia.

Mr Yap started his career with an international professional firm specialising in auditing, accounting and business advisory services. Thereafter, he joined the Royal Malaysian Customs as Superintendent of Customs in the Licensing and Enforcement sections before returning to the private sector as a Financial Controller where he gained valuable knowledge and skills in the areas of administration, finance and accounting. He subsequently joined Lembaga Hasil Dalam Negeri Malaysia (LHDNM) as Assistant Director to further his career.

At LHDNM, he had wide exposure and knowledge in personal and corporate tax, tax audit, withholding tax and compliance tax at the Corporate Tax and Withholding Tax sections. He was also appointed by LHDNM as a Prosecuting Officer to conduct civil proceedings in Malaysian courts pursuant to the Income Tax Act 1967.

Presently, Mr Yap serves as an Advisor to the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board and a member of the Public Practice Committee as well as an observer at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board at the Malaysian Institute of Accountants. Mr Yap has more than 35 years of working experience in a wide range of industries. He is presently the Senior Manager of the Regulatory Review and Development Section in the Regulatory Development and Services Division of Companies Commission of Malaysia

### Mr Foo Poh Khean FCIS (CS) (CGP) Chartered Company Secretary, KL Management & Secretarial Services

Kenneth Foo is a regular speaker for MAICSA and was a former adjunct lecturer in University College Tunku Abdul Rahman, Kuala Lumpur. He was a former council member of MAICSA and is presently the honorary secretary of the Malaysian Corporate Counsel Association. He has his own practice specializing in corporate solutions, consultation and advice and restructuring of companies. He is also a chartered company secretary since starting his own practice in 1990 until to-date. He is also the co-author of "Companies Act 2016: New Dynamics of Company Law in Malaysia" and "Company Meetings, Minutes and Resolutions in Malaysia" published in 2017 and 2021 respectively by the Malaysian Current Law Journal.

### Ms Chua Siew Chuan FCIS (CS) (CGP) Managing Director, Securities Services (Holdings) Sdn Bhd

Ms Chua Siew Chuan was a member of the Council. She was a Council member of MAICSA since in October 2020. She was President of the Institute from June 2014 - July 2016. She is a member of the Conference Organising Committee 2021/2022 until today and Chairman of National Investigation Group.

Siew Chuan was the Institute's representative as the Secretary on the Council of Corporate Secretaries International Association (CSIA). She is the Managing Director of Securities Services (Holdings) Sdn Bhd which provides corporate secretarial, share registration, accounting, payroll, liquidation, management consultancy and advisory services to a wide range of clients. She is presently the company secretary of several public listed companies.

### En Ibrahim Sani

### Chief Executive Officer, Yayasan Peneraju

I brahim Sani has extensive experience in finance, banking, strategy, business intelligence, capital markets and media. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting from the International Islamic University of Malaysia (IIUM) and a member of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA). Previously, he had served at EONCAP Islamic Bank Berhad (later known as Hong Leong Islamic Bank Berhad) and CIMB Investment Bank before diversifying his career in the world of broadcasting with BFM and Astro.

# Mr Lim Chee Keong Tax Partner, PricewaterhouseCoopers Malaysia

Chee Keong is a Partner in PwC Malaysia, specializing in International Tax Services and Mergers & Acquisitions Tax. He has more than 15 years of experience in M&A transaction and tax advisory work including 3 years of experience gained in the People's Republic of China ("PRC"). He has been involved in various tax due diligence, tax structuring, financial model review, SPA review and negotiation support for a diversified portfolio of clients including public listed companies, private companies and multi - national companies both in Malaysia and the PRC. Chee Keong has significant experience in providing buy -side and sell -side advisory services to corporate and private equity clients in the manufacturing, services, health care, education, power generation, technology, property and plantations industries. Chee Keong graduated from University Science of Malaysia with an honours degree in Bachelor of Management (Accounting). He is also a member of Chartered Tax Institute of Malaysia.

### Ms Agnes Wong Ling Lee Managing Partner, Syarikat Ong Sdn Bhd

Agnes Wong is a Chartered Accountant and a Licensed Tax Consultant, holding memberships with esteemed professional bodies such as the Chartered Tax Institute of Malaysia (CTIM), Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA), Certified Practising Accountant (CPA) Australia, and Malaysian Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators (MAICSA). With a background in a prominent Public Accounting Firm, she now serves as the Managing Partner at the Syarikat Ong Group of Companies, specializing in corporate registration, structuring, and corporate tax advisory.

In her extensive career, Ms. Agnes Wong has demonstrated proficiency in managing the affairs of numerous fundraising-based companies, including Unlisted Public Companies, with complex dynamics involving over 50 shareholders. She also oversees the tax matters of a wide array of Corporate and Individual Taxpayers, specializing in various industries, including Real Estate Property Gain Tax (RPGT) for Real Estate Companies (RPCs), individual taxpayers, and has recently been appointed as a tax agent for a listed group of companies. Her expertise extends to company restructuring, encompassing downsizing initiatives, facilitating merger and acquisition processes, conducting tax due diligence, and handling tax audit appeals for both direct and indirect taxes.

Agnes Wong is recognized as a distinguished speaker, sought after to share her insights on corporate and property tax matters in Malaysia, Singapore, Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Germany. Notably, she is actively engaged in discussions on the latest developments in E-Invoicing in Malaysia and serves as a prominent speaker on e-invoice topics for various platforms and associations. Furthermore, Ms. Agnes Wong contributes to the tax landscape as a national council member of CTIM and actively participates in working committees focusing on tax audit and investigation, tax policy, Real Property Gains Tax (RPGT), and Stamp Duty. Her recent appointment as the Chairman for operations in CTIM underscores her commitment to advancing the field of taxation.

### Mr Deepak Pillai Partner, Christopher & Lee Ong

Deepak heads Christopher & Lee Ong's Technology, Media and Telecommunications, and Data Privacy & Protection Practice Group. He has been practising exclusively in the areas of Technology & Telecommunications law and Data Protection since 1997 and is acknowledged as a leading Technology & Telecommunications lawyer in Malaysia.

Deepak advises clients on matters relating to IT contracts, electronic commerce, online financial services, outsourcing, telecommunications, IT security, data protection and digital media.

He advises a wide array of international, private and public sector clientele in addressing the commercial, regulatory and policy issues relating to information and communications technology law, ranging from negotiating complex information technology contracts to advising public sector agencies on proposed technology related legislation and policies.

Deepak has been consecutively listed by the established legal directories as a leading individual in the area of IT and Telecommunications since 2001. He is listed on *Asia Business Law Journal's* Top 100 Malaysian Lawyers to Watch, as well as listed as a Band 1 Leading Lawyer for Technology, Media & Telecoms by *Chambers Asia Pacific*. Deepak is also ranked as a Tier 1 Leading Individual for TMT by *Asia Pacific Legal 500*. He was

also recently featured in the Asian Legal Business' inaugural listing of the Top 15 TMT lawyers in Asia, which spotlights the region's standout practitioners.

Deepak is also a member of the PDPA Appeals Tribunal appointed by the Minister and a long-standing member of the Malaysian Bar's PDPA Committee.

# Martin Lim CEO, Ingenique Solutions

Martin is the Founder and CEO of Ingenique Solutions. With Ingenique, he focuses the company to be the trusted AML/CFT solution provider and has grown the company to serve customers across Singapore, Malaysia, Hong Kong and China. He frequently engages with small and medium sized professional firms to assist them in implementing AML/CFT policies, procedures and controls, and to prepare for regulatory inspections and reviews. Prior to joining Ingenique, Martin had more than 15 years in the IT industry covering both technical and business development responsibilities.

### Ts. Mohd Zabri Adil Bin Talib Head of Division Responsive Technology and Services CyberSecurity Malaysia

Ts Mohd Zabri Adil Bin Talib has been pivotal in advancing CyberSecurity Malaysia's strategic direction, emphasizing technological innovation and digital security resilience. He leads 4 technical departments, Digital Forensics, Malaysia Computer Emergency Response Team (MyCERT), Cyber999 and Secure Technology Services. Committed to developing adaptive technologies, his leadership focuses on human performance, AI, proactive risk management, continuous innovation, and team empowerment. He holds a Bachelor in Computer Science (2001) and an MBA (2018), and is a PhD candidate in vehicle forensics. With over 19 years in digital forensics, he has supported various Malaysian law enforcement agencies and handled e-discovery for civil cases. He has testified in the High Court and other courts on high-profile cases such as the Altantuya Murder, VK Lingam Tape, Missing Flight MH370, and the Lahad Datu Invasion

# Mr Simon Yeog Seng Leong FCIS (CS)(CGP) Immediate Past President, MAICSA

Simon Yeoh Seng Leong is the Immediate Past President of MAICSA, having served as the 28th President from July 2022 to June 2024. While his expertise is in taxation, as a Governance Professional, he has been an active Fellow member of MAICSA continuously serving on various committees of the Institute.

Simon was initially elected to the MAICSA Council in June 2012 and served as a Council member until June 2018. He was re-elected as a Council member in June 2019 and October 2021. Previously, he served as Deputy President (2021/2022), Vice President (2020/2021), and Honorary Secretary (2019/2020) of the MAICSA Council. He was also the Chairman of the Training and Professional Development Committee (2021/2022), Conference Organising

Committee (2016/2017), Education Committee (2018), and Taxation Committee (2017/2018). Currently, he is the Chairman of the Taxation Committee, Deputy Chairman of the Thought Leadership Committee, and Deputy Chairman of the MAICSA Appeal Tribunal Committee. Simon has also been nominated to be MAICSA's representative of the Corporate Secretaries International Association (CSIA) and a council member of CSIA, effective from January 2025.

During his tenure as a Partner at Ernst & Young Tax Consultants Sdn Bhd, Simon has had considerable experience in all aspects of Malaysian tax and business consultancy which was complimented by a myriad of leadership roles. He was the Country Tax Quality & Risk Management Leader, Malaysian Global Compliance Reporting Leader and Malaysian Corporate Services Leader-ACR. He was instrumental in the start up of the Corporate Services group-ACR group in the Kuala Lumpur office.

His professional experience spans over 30 years in taxation, and he started his career with two globally renowned international professional firms, namely PwC and EY. He has been involved in all facets of tax assignments, including corporate tax due diligence, tax compliance, tax planning, and advisory matters such as corporate tax restructuring. He has also provided advice on selecting tax incentives and on inbound and outbound investments for local and international corporations.

He has served clients from private and public companies, as well as government-linked companies and multinationals. Notably, he was the tax engagement partner for Bursa Malaysia and its group of companies. He was also regularly involved in speaking at tax seminars, trade and business councils, and has appeared on national television discussing the annual tax budget. Additionally, he has contributed articles on corporate social responsibility from an income tax perspective.

Post EY, and after serving various office bearers positions in MAICSA, he was elected as the 28th President of MAICSA in July 2022. During his tenure as President, he was actively involved in discussions with the management teams of the Securities Commission, Bank Negara, Inland Revenue Board, Companies Commission of Malaysia, Malaysian Institute of Corporate Governance, Bursa Malaysia, and various professional bodies, including the Malaysian Institute of Accountants, Chartered Institute of Taxation Malaysia, Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants, CPA Australia, as well as the Bar Council and Inns of Court. These discussions focused on corporate governance issues and other matters.

As a Chartered Governance Professional, Simon has been actively involved in corporate governance matters and contributed various articles to the Star-ESG section on the topic of corporate governance in Malaysia. He has also spoken at conferences about the critical role of corporate governance within the ESG framework. Given his vast experiences in taxation as well as corporate governance, Simon has been actively involved in moderating and conducting webinars on various topics, including corporate governance, risk management, Tax Corporate Governance Framework, ESG and sustainability reporting, Section 17A of the MACC Act, updates on Industrial relations Act, E-invoicing and cybercrime. Previously, he was also involved in moderating and conducting training on behalf of MAICSA to the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Academy on Malaysian company law and corporate governance. Simon also initiated the Young MAICSA Governance Professional program and served as the chief judge for this programme.

As the Chairman of the Taxation Committee of MAICSA, he has been actively involved in working closely with various professional bodies and contributing to the yearly dialogues with the Malaysian Inland Revenue Board and the Ministry of Finance regarding Annual Tax Budget issues.

Apart from the above, Simon is currently the Chairman of the Malaysian Tax Research Foundation (MTRF). In this role, he has been involved in discussions with numerous universities, as well as the Inland Revenue Board and the Ministry of Finance, on various tax research projects. Additionally, Simon is a member of the Disciplinary Committee Panel of the Bar Council under Section 96 of the Legal Profession Act 1976. Simon is also currently the non-executive independent director of Tricor Trustco (Labuan) Ltd.

Simon is a Fellow Member of the Chartered Governance Institute, UK, a Fellow Chartered Governance Professional and Chartered Secretary of MAICSA, a Fellow Member of the Chartered Institute of Taxation Malaysia, and a Member of the Inns of Courts Malaysia. Associate Member of the Malaysian Institute of Management. He is also an approved Tax Agent with the Ministry of Finance under Section 153 of the Income Tax Act 1967.

# Mr Wong Tat Chung Senior Partner, Wong Beh & Toh

Tat Chung is the partner of the firm and has practiced since 1989. His practice areas are primarily in the equity corporate finance including initial public offerings, mergers and acquisitions and take over general offers. He began his practice in take over general offer under the Malaysian Code on Take-overs and Mergers 1987 and has been practising in this area since then.

He is a regular speaker at seminars and courses involving corporate and commercial matters. He has spoken on areas which include, mergers and acquisitions, initial public offerings, stock exchange listing rules, corporate governance, cross border transactions, joint ventures, due diligence, limited liability partnerships, competition law, personal data protection, movable property security law and other corporate and commercial matters. He has also been involved in the Malaysian Investment Banking Association ("MIBA") Equity Due Diligence Guidelines and matters involving capital markets and companies and corporates regulation development in Malaysia.

### Ms Irene Yong Partner, Shearn Delamore & Co

Irene practices in all aspects of Tax and Revenue law advisory, structuring, planning, audits, investigations, dispute resolution (including advising taxpayers on the settlement of tax cases or in dealings with governmental authorities) and litigation (including tax appeals, declaratory proceedings, judicial review applications, civil suits, windings up etc.), sales tax, service tax, goods and services tax (GST), transfer pricing, income tax, real property gains tax, indirect taxes, stamp duty, taxation of oil and gas companies, tax incentives, trusts, and asset protection and planning. Irene has appeared as counsel for taxpayers before the GST Appeal

Tribunal, Customs Appeal Tribunal, the Special Commissioners of Income Tax and the Superior Courts of Malaysia.

Irene also practises in the area of Personal Data Protection & Privacy Laws, and provides information and data management strategies and solutions, business practice and process reviews, as well as template and document reviews for business enterprises. She has advised and conducted reviews and audits for various business enterprises, including financial institutions. She has presented many papers on personal data protection law and regularly conducts training and workshops for clients and event organisers.

Irene has been recognized as Tax Counsel in the Asia Pacific Legal 500, Chambers Asia Pacific, Expert Guides, Finance Monthly, The Legal 500 Asia-Pacific, Who's Who Legal, Business Today Lawyers Awards 2023, and in successive editions of the International Tax Review rankings.

### Ms Dipa Kaur (FCIS)(CS)(CGP) Deputy President, MAICSA

Ms. Dipak Kaur ("Dipa") was appointed Deputy President of MAICSA in July 2024. She was first elected to the Council in October 2021 and re-elected in July 2023. She has served as Vice President and Honorary Treasurer. Currently, she is Deputy Chairman of the Technical Compliance & Governance Committee (TCGC) and the Survey Task Force, and a member of the Thought Leadership Committee. She chaired the Taskforce for the Corporate Governance Guide for Non-Listed Companies, published by MAICSA in 2023.

Dipa represents the Institute on the Corporate Practice Consultative Forum (CPCF), the CPCF Technical Committee, the CPCF Technical Focus Group, and the Company Secretaries Consultative Group (CSCG).

Dipa is currently the Company Secretary of the Maxis Berhad Group of Companies. She has extensive experience in corporate secretarial work, corporate regulations, and governance matters across various public listed and private Malaysian companies. In her role as Company Secretary of the Maxis Berhad Group, she actively provides governance and advisory support to the Chairman, Directors, Board, Board Committees and management.

She holds a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Leicester, United Kingdom, Masters in Law (LLM) from University Malaya, a Certified Diploma in Accounting and Finance from the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, Graduate of ICSA (now known as Chartered Governance Institute [CGI]), a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Directors, and a Certificate in Sustainable Development from the University of Sussex. Additionally, she holds a Certificate of Legal Practice and is a non-practising Advocate and Solicitor of the High Court of Malaya.

Dipa is a Fellow and Chartered Governance Professional of MAICSA.

# Mr Lee Kuan Teck Executive Vice President, Listing Development, Origination & Listing, Bursa Malaysia Berhad

Kuan Teck is a Fellow member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) and has more than 20 years of experience in the financial industry with approximately 10 years in investment banking where he was involved in IPOs, corporate finance advisory, mergers and acquisitions, and fund raisings. In 2009, he join the Regulation team of Bursa Malaysia as the Head of Restructuring where he was primarily responsible for overseeing the status and regularization of affected listed companies including PN17 Companies. His scope of work was further enhanced to oversee and

process IPO applications for companies seeking listing on the ACE and LEAP Markets of Bursa Malaysia. Kuan Teck is currently the Executive Vice President, Listing Development, Origination & Listing and is responsible for amongst others, the development of initiatives and strategies aimed at enhancing the attractiveness of Bursa Malaysia as the preferred listing destination for companies.

# Ms Leong Oi Wah FCIS (CS) (CGP) Director, Corporate Development, Epsilon Advisory Services Sdn Bhd

Leong Oi Wah is a Fellow Member of the Malaysian Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators (MAICSA) and has more than 30 years of experience in handling corporate secretarial matters in the profession and the corporate sector.

She has been involved in advising on corporate secretarial requirements including corporate restructuring and compliance with various regulatory bodies such as the Registrar of Companies, Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad, Securities Commission and other authorities.

She is currently Director, Corporate Development of Epsilon Advisory Services Sdn Bhd which specialises in providing the full range of corporate secretarial and advisory services. She is a regular trainer of MAICSA's Continuing Professional Education programme and is also co-author of "Company Meetings, Minutes and Resolutions in Malaysia" published in 2021 by the Malaysian Current Law Journal.

#### Roshanthiran Founder and CEO of Leaderonomics

Roshan is the Founder and CEO of Leaderonomics, an award-winning social enterprise. He is a thought leader in the field of leadership development and human capital. He o speaks about transformation, for individuals as well as organizations, across the globe. He has grown Leaderonomics from an NGO into one of the best brands in leadership development and technology, not just in Malaysia but across Southeast Asia.

Prior to Leaderonomics, he spent 14 years at General Electric (GE) across the US, Europe and in Asia, in various finance, HR, leadership development and business management roles. He

also spend 2 years at Johnson & Johnson in a global capacity before setting up Leaderonomics

#### Mr Rubaneswaran Chief Executive Officer, Beyond4 Sdn Bhd

#### Ms Margie Ong Chief Executive Officer, Thoughts in Gear

Margie is the CEO of Thoughts In Gear (TIG), a Sustainability and Social Impact consulting firm working with corporations to ingrain Sustainability and ESG principles into their core business; and with nonprofits for strategic and systemic impact. Graduated an Electrical Engineer, Margie has a Sustainability Leadership certification with the London Business School. Margie has also worked with notable organisations like The Boston Consulting Group (BCG), ERM Consulting, Intel, HCL Technologies and the CIMB Foundation. TIG's achievements include setting up South East Asia's first Sustainability Accelerator with 100 listed companies, producing Asia's Best Sustainability Strategy and Report, setting up South East Asia's largest Collective Impact Initiative for education, producing a Harvard-commended SROI Analysis, and producing a COVID-19 Vaccine Management Country Guide that has been used in 8 countries around the world.

Margie is also currently in the Advisory Group for Sunway's Centre for Planetary Health (SCPH) and an Emissary for Responsible Finance and Investments (RFI) Foundation.

#### DR. SURINA ISMAIL Chief Sustainability Officer, Group Sustainability, IOI Corporation Bhd

Dr. Surina Ismail is the Chief Sustainability Officer, Group Sustainability for IOI Corporation Bhd. In this capacity, she is responsible for sustainability matters for the IOI Group (Plantation and Resource-based Divisions). Her responsibilities include corporate sustainability matters involving embedding sustainability and aligning with IOI's strategoc priorities and directions, formulating sustainability policies to ensure ESG matters are well considered together with the implementation of sustainability initiatives involving climate change, biodiversity enhancement, labor rights, and many others throughout the IOI Group. She has a BSc (Hon) Chemistry from Indiana University, MSc (Organic Polymer) fromUniversityofMassachusetts andPhD(Bio-organicPolymer) from University Akron, USA with past academic experiences working as a Research Fellow, Visiting Scientists & Assistant Professor in the USA before returning to Malaysia to enter the industrial sector.

Ms Sashiprabha Dharmadasa Director Client Services and Technical Delivery/CISO

Ms Sunita Devi Appukuttan ESG & GHG Specialist

#### Ms Ooi Suan Kim Advocates & Solicitors, O S Kim & Associates

Ooi Suan Kim (Kim) is Advocate & Solicitor and the Principal of the law firm O S Kim & Associates, a legal firm specialising in corporate, commercial, company, land, family, estate, tort and criminal law. Kim is a Notary Public, Commissioner for Oaths, licensed Company Secretary and a RICs accredited Mediator. Kim is a certified compliance professional with training from University of Manchester. Kim sits on the panel of the Disciplinary Committee pursuant to the Legal Profession Act 1976 and is empanelled as Bar Council's panel of solicitors. A Barrister of Lincoln's Inn, Kim holds an LL.B from the University of Sheffield and completed her Bar training at Inns of Court School of Law now known as City University of London in 2007.

Over the past 16 years, Kim has resolved some of the most complex disputes and has represented clients and corporations at all levels of the Court for complex litigation as well as in arbitration matters. Kim is author for LexisNexis Practical Guidance for Corporate Law module in the Companies Act 2016; sits on the Board of Advisors for the School of Law of the University of Sheffield and is Treasurer for the Inns of Court Malaysia.

Kim is Winner of the British Council StudyUK Alumni Award in 2017. Kim represented Malaysia in the British Government's Foreign Commonwealth & Development Office ("FCDO") International Leadership Programme ("ILP") in 2017. Kim was selected by the Commonwealth as Commonwealth Observer at the 2018 Zimbabwe Presidential elections and Kim represented Malaysia to speak at the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting ("CHOGM") 2018 in London, alongside global leaders and Heads of States.

#### Mr Philip TN Koh

# Senior Partner, Messrs Mah-Kamariyah & Philip, Adjunct Professor, Universiti Malaya and School of Business, Monash Malaysia University

Philip T N Koh earned Malaysa and School of Businesshis LLB (Hons) from the University of Malaya, Malaysia and his LLM from the University of London. He aslo hols an MA in Theology from Australian Catholic University, As an Advocate & Solicitor at the High Court of Malaya, he serves as the Senior Partner at Messrs Mah-Kamariyah & Philip Koh. In addition to his legal practice, he is an Adjunct Professor at Universiti Malaya and the School of Business, Monash University malaysia. Koh has Served as counsel in numerous public law, corporate and commercial cases and is the co-author of legal treaties on Constitutional, Contract and Corporate Law.

### Ms Mah Li Chen FCIS (CS) (CGP) Managing Director, Secretaries Inc Sdn Bhd

Mah Li Chen FCIS (CS) (CGP) is a Fellow member of The Malaysian Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators (MAICSA). Chartered Governance Institute (CGI) (formerly known as the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators (ICSA), is the leading recognised professional body for Chartered Secretaries and Chartered Governance Professionals in the United Kingdom and MAICSA is an affiliated body to CGI and is now a Division of CGI.

Mah Li Chen was a member of the Audit Committee and Technical and Public Practice Committee of MAICSA as well as a former Council member of MAICSA.Li Chen has been invited back to serve as a member of the MAICSA Conference Organising Committee 2024.

Li Chen graduated with the ICSA qualification on 27 September 1995. She has since completed her LLB with Honours in 2003 from the University of London.

She is a Chartered Secretary by profession with more than 20 years of working experience in mainstream corporate secretarial work. She has been speaking on various topics relating to the Proposed Companies Bill 2015, Companies Act 2016, corporate secretarial practice, corporate governance and listing requirements for MAICSA, Bursa Malaysia Berhad, Federation of Public Listed Companies. Malaysia Institute of Accountants ("MIA") and several other professional bodies as well as in-house seminars for a number of companies.

She became a MAICSA Associate on 13 November 1995 and was elected a Fellow in April 2009.

#### Mr Gilbert Chu Kim Foong Chief Operating Officer, LGMS Berhad

Gilbert Chu has more than 15 years of experience in the IT security industry and his focus is undertaking IT security assessment, training and consultations to match strategic business objectives.

He is leading the cybersecurity consultants in LGMS primarily in the cyber security management and compliance segments of LGMS. Gilbert is also a guest speaker for various public events held locally and internationally. Gilbert is qualified in his field in that he holds both academic and professional qualifications.

He provided consultation and training to various government and multinational clients across Asia, Europe and Africa on information system security, enterprise risk design, policy review and implementation assurance, penetration testing, and other technical risk assessment.

### Mr Gow Jia Jian Non-Executive Director, Wezmart Group

In his dual role as Managing Partner of a firm of Advocates & Solicitors and Non-Executive Director in the Wezmart Group, Gow Jia Jian ("JJ") strives to bridge compliance and business innovation in legal and corporate governance matters.

JJ has extensive experience in cybersecurity governance, guiding SMEs through the evolving regulatory landscape related to data protection and digital resilience. He understands the critical importance of securing business operations against cyber threats while maintaining

compliance with privacy laws. JJ actively advises on cyber risk management strategies and works with organizations to establish governance frameworks that address cybersecurity risks effectively.

With expertise in navigating legal complexities for SMEs, JJ advocates for integrating sustainability into business practices, emphasizing the role of professionals in shaping a sustainable future for all stakeholders.

JJ's insights on legal challenges and opportunities stem from his day-to-day work as a practising lawyer, along with his participation in budget talks and seminars focusing on business disruption, technology, and geopolitics. He is passionate about the need for continuous learning to obtain strategic foresight in navigating the modern business and legal landscapes.

# Mr Justin J Anthony Chief Executive Officer, MAICSA

Justin is the current Chief Executive Officer at The Malaysian Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators (MAICSA), the leading professional body for corporate secretaries in Malaysia. In this role, he oversees the overall management of the organisation, leads a team of experienced professionals, and executes strategies and policies to ensure MAICSA's goals and objectives are achieved. Prior to joining MAICSA, Justin served as Executive Director for over ten years at PIKOM, The National Tech Association of Malaysia. In this role, he played a crucial role in driving strategic initiatives for the tech industry, particularly in areas such as Global Business Services (GBS), e-commerce, cybersecurity, and other special interest groups. Justin brings more than 30 years of diverse work experience in fields such as finance and accounting, management of turnkey projects, project management, business development, and industry development.

Justin strongly believes in advocating collaboration and industry partnerships, and has established strategic alliances with various associations, academia, and relevant industry bodies to create viable ecosystems between the industry and academia, as well as between the private and public sectors. He is also an Associate of the Association of International Accountants (AAIA) (UK).