

THE WIM MILLENNIALS SUMMIT, 24 OCTOBER 2023

SPEECH BY

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1. Mr. Tom Wong, Chairman, WIM Millennials Committee
2. WIM Board of Trustees and Other WIM Leaders
3. Y. Bhg. Tan Sri Andrew Sheng, our honoured Keynote Address Speaker, and distinguished Moderators and Panellists
4. Member of the Press and Media
5. Ladies and Gentlemen

Welcome to this important Summit organised by the WIM Millennials Committee as its maiden important project which is focused on our NEP or National Economic Policy addressing aspects on:

1. The Knowledge-Based Economy
2. The Aquaculture Industry
3. Climate Change
4. Mental health
5. Cyber Security
6. Challenges and Opportunities for ASEAN
7. Future of RFID Technology

As you can see, our Millennials Committee, which is WIM's newest Committee comprising men and women from an important and influential age group, has put in a lot of effort to organise this important Summit. Upon completion of this Summit, this Committee intends to prepare a list of recommendations from this Summit and present a Report to the Prime Minister's Department for its information and consideration, when enforcing any future plans, policy or programmes for Malaysia.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I will be failing in my duty if I don't say a few words on the Women's Institute of Management or WIM as we are known by many.

WIM is a Non-Profit Women's NGO which is 30 years old in 2023, incorporated as a Public Company Without Share Capital and Limited by Guarantee. This means that when the annual financial results in a Surplus, that surplus remains in WIM and cannot be distributed as a dividend as there is no Share Capital and therefore, no shareholders.

Important developments in WIM include:

1. WIM is an income tax exempt women's NGO
2. WIM was the only women's organisation cited in the Women and Development Chapter of the 7th Malaysia Plan
3. Up till 30.9.2023, WIM has conducted 775 courses or events, benefiting 36,563 participants
4. WIM's Website has been visited by 156,420 people from 175 countries around the world
5. WIM owns a 6-storey Building called Wisma WIM, which is free of encumbrances
6. WIM does not receive any annual government grant and constantly resort to fundraising activities
7. WIM conducts a British MBA Degree Programme since year 2000. Our MBA Degree graduates comprise both men and women and are multiracial, i.e., Malays, Chinese and Indians
8. WIM also designed and introduced a new and unique Women in Leadership Certificate Programme, which is approved by the Human Resource Development Corporation (HRDC)
9. WIM has received many international visitors, e.g., Crown Princess of Denmark, Queen Mother from South Africa, First Lady of Zambia, Lady Mayoress of London, government delegations from Mongolia and Bangladesh and Delegation from Women in Government, USA comprising US women senators and congress women
10. WIM has received sponsorships for its various training programmes in all the states of Malaysia from the UN Population Fund and the OSK Foundation
11. WIM is active in the area of publications which includes a Finance Handbook in Bahasa Malaysia, English, Mandarin and Tamil sponsored by the Royal Netherlands Embassy; an 80-page Business Journal, named INSPIRE, produced 4-monthly and at its 53rd issue now. Libraries which have purchased INSPIRE since Issues No.1 are the Libraries of the US Congress, Washington D.C., USA and the Penang Swimming Club. The Library of Parlimen Malaysia is on INSPIRE's mailing list
12. On 25.11.2023, WIM is organising a WIM Health Forum, where specialist doctors will speak on Diabetes, Obesity, Heart Disease and Mental Health

Ladies and Gentlemen, we look forward to your active participation during these 2 days. Do bring out your new ideas.

Thank you.