

NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2018

Wednesday, 10 October 2018 - Thursday, 11 October 2018

Venue: Hotel Istana, Kuala Lumpur

"Managing Discrimination at the Workplace"



CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

Discrimination at the workplace is a serious matter and may be prevalent even as early as from the recruitment stage, during employment to post employment. If not properly managed, discrimination can be costly to employers in terms of increased employee turnover and rate of absence, as well as causing employees to have low morale and productivity. Managing discrimination requires adequate training for employees and supervisors to handle issues of discrimination as employers can be vicariously liable for their discriminatory actions. In order to protect employers from discrimination claims, the employer needs to put in place clear policies, practices and procedures to prevent discrimination at the workplace.

The theme of the Conference, "Managing Discrimination at the Workplace", addresses the issues and challenges outlined in the complimentary MEF publication on 'Discrimination at the Workplace – Law and Practice.' The Conference outlines policies and workable reporting mechanisms to encourage employees to report discriminatory or harassing conduct through appropriate channels, the employer's investigation procedures and confidentiality. Of particular interest would be the panel discussions on Equal Opportunity in Employment, and the issues and challenges on the proposed new policies on Reference to Industrial Court and Claim for Recognition.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- ✓ HR Practitioners (Heads, Directors, Managers, Consultants)
- ✓ Representatives from Unions, NGOs
- ✓ Management (IT, Legal, Finance)
- ✓ Representatives from Government
- ✓ Academia from Colleges, Universities, Technical and Vocational Institutions



WHY ATTEND

- Understand the various issues where discrimination can occur throughout various phases of pre-employment, during employment & post-employment
- Gain insight into the latest cases at the Industrial Court on discrimination at the workplace and see how the Industrial Court view discrimination when handing down awards
- Get involved in the discussions arising from the presentations and panel views on discrimination
- Be exposed to management strategies in dealing with bullying and harassment which have posed challenges to employers
- Acquire knowledge on latest cases of sexual harassment at the workplace
- Abundant opportunities to broaden networking with senior executives, and academia
- Platform for exchange of ideas and brainstorm practical solutions

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8.30 am - 9.00 am
Arrival and Registration
8.55 am - 9.00 am
Safety Briefing by Hotel
9.00 am - 9.05 am
Opening Speech

9.05 am - 10.25 am Pre employment Discrimination Issues – What to Look out For?

– by Datuk Hj Shamsuddin Bardan, MEF Executive Director

10.25 am - 10.40 am Tea-break and Networking

10.40 am – 12.00 pm Discrimination Issues – Perspectives of the Industrial Court

- by Y.A. Tuan Peter Iruthayaraj, Chairman of Industrial Court, Industrial Court

of Malaysia

12.00 pm – 12.45 pm **Welcome Address**

Keynote Address & Opening of the Conference

by YB Dato' Mahfuz bin Omar, Deputy Minister of Human Resources (tbc)
 Launching of the latest IR Publication on "Discrimination at the Workplace -

Law and Practice"

12.45 pm – 2.15 pm Lunch and Networking

2.15 pm – 4.30 pm Panel Discussion: Equal opportunity in Employment

MoHR (tbc)

Puan Junaina binti Johan, Principal Assistant Secretary, Policy of Women,
 Family and Community Division, Ministry of Women, Family and Community
 Development

• Datuk Hj Shamsuddin Bardan, MEF Executive Director

4.30 pm Tea-break and Networking

7.30 pm MEF Annual Dinner

2ND DAY - THURSDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2018

9.00 am - 10.15 am	Employment and Doct Employment Discrimination Issues Challenges and
9.00 aiii - 10.15 aiii	Employment and Post Employment Discrimination Issues - Challenges and
	Strategies – by MEF IR Senior Consultants (Tn Hj Zaikon Jaafar, Encik Goh Seng
	Wing, Puan Saraswathi Ravindran)
10.15 am - 10.35 am	Tea-break and Networking
10.35 am - 11.50 am	Workplace Bullying - Speak Up - by Dr Gurdeep Singh Grewal, Clerkship
	Director, Perdana University Graduate School of Medicine
11.50 am – 1.05 pm	Sexual Harassment – Latest Cases and Issues – by Y.A. Puan Rajeswari Karupiah,
	Chairman of Industrial Court, Industrial Court of Malaysia
1.05 pm – 2.30 pm	Lunch and Networking
2.30 pm – 4.30 pm	Panel Discussion: Proposed New Laws on Reference of Dismissal Cases to
	Industrial Court and Claim for Recognition

- Y.A. Puan Noor Ruwena binti Dato' Md. Nurdin, Chairman of Industrial Court, Industrial Court of Malaysia, MoHR
- Encik S. Somahsundram, Vice-President (Private Sector), MTUC
- Encik A. Ramadass, MEF Vice-President (tbc)

4.30 pm Tea-break and End of Conference

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