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To Members of the Malaysian Bar

**Malaysian Bar-Korean Bar Association
Young Lawyers Exchange Programme 2016**

The Bar Council is organising the Malaysian Bar-Korean Bar Association Young Lawyers Exchange Programme (“YLEP”) 2016, which will take place in November 2016. YLEP 2016 is in its second instalment this year, after having been successfully piloted in 2014.

YLEP 2016 is an exchange programme for young lawyers from both Malaysia and South Korea, where eligible Members of the Malaysian Bar will be hosted by South Korean law firms for two weeks, commencing on 10 Nov 2016 (Thursday).

Separately, Malaysian law firms will host participants from South Korea for a similar duration, beginning on 14 Nov 2016 (Monday).

Eligibility

Any Member of the Bar who has fewer than seven years of practice (as at 30 Nov 2016) is eligible to participate in YLEP 2016, regardless of whether the Member’s law firm participates as a host firm.

A law firm that is active and based in Peninsular Malaysia may either host participant(s) from South Korea and/or register its lawyer(s) as participant(s) in Seoul. There is no limit to either the number of South Korean participants hosted by the firm, or the number of its lawyers who sign up as participants.

Brief Overview

In addition to placements in selected South Korean firms, official visits to the courts and other government agencies will be organised for participants from the Malaysian Bar, who will also be involved in projects conducted and hosted by the Korean Bar Association. A detailed programme will be provided to the participants.

Cost

Each Member of the Bar is expected to pay for the costs incurred throughout the duration of the programme, including for international and local travel, accommodation, and incidental expenses in South Korea.

The cost for Malaysian host law firms is expected to be minimal, as South Korean participants will in turn bear their own costs.



Bar Council Subsidy

Participants who wish to be considered for a subsidy from the Bar Council must complete Section 5 of the attached application form. Each successful candidate (up to a maximum of five participants) will receive a subsidy of RM1,000 to help defray the expenses for YLEP 2016.

The selection of participants for the Bar Council subsidy will be based on merit. The decision of the Bar Council's selection committee, chaired by the Vice-President of the Malaysian Bar, George Varughese, is final.

Any Member who does not receive the subsidy is welcomed to participate in YLEP 2016 at the Member's own cost.

How to Apply

Please complete and submit the attached application form to Kenneth Ang, Special Projects and International Liaison Director, by email at kenneth@malaysianbar.org.my by **1 July 2016 (Friday)**. Applicants who do not wish to apply for the subsidy may skip section 5 of the application form.

Thank you.

Karen Cheah Yee Lynn
Secretary
Malaysian Bar



**Malaysian Bar-Korean Bar Association
Young Lawyers Exchange Programme 2016 (“YLEP 2016”)
Application Form**

Section 1:

Please select participation type:

- Host Firm** (Malaysian law firm hosting lawyers from South Korea)
 Participating Member (Member of the Bar / Lawyer from the law firm participating in YLEP 2016)
 Both

Section 2: Law Firm Information

Name	
Address	
Telephone	
Website	

Section 3: Member Information

Name	
NRIC No	
Bar Council Membership No	
Telephone (Mobile)	
Email	
Years in Practice (as at 30 Nov 2016)	

Note: The information on this page will be used for verification purposes (where required) and the programme database, and does not carry any weight in the selection process.



Section 4: Questionnaire

Have you served in any Bar Council Committee(s)?: Yes / No

If yes, please indicate the Committee(s) and year(s) served:

- (1)
- (2)
- (3)

What is your main motivation and objectives in applying to participate in this exchange programme?

If you are selected, please indicate three South Korean firms of your choice, by order of preference.

- (1)
- (2)
- (3)

Summary of past experience with cross-border legal work and cooperation with firms, specifically in South Korea

(Are you already doing cross-border legal work? Are you part of any existing law firm network? Do you have professional relationships with law firms in South Korea?)



Section 5: Essay (This section must be completed if you are applying for the Bar Council subsidy for YLEP 2016)

Please share your thoughts on the following topic:

How Participation in a Mutual Exchange Programme for Young Lawyers with a Foreign Bar Association Will Benefit Me as a Practitioner, and the Malaysian Bar in General

(Please use a separate sheet, and type in Times New Roman 12-point font, single-spaced)

Please submit your application form to Kenneth Ang, Special Projects and International Liaison Director, by email at kenneth@malaysianbar.org.my by **1 July 2016 (Friday)**.

Cost

There is no participation fee for YLEP 2016. Participants pay their own costs, including for international and local travel, accommodation, and incidentals expenses. Travel bookings should only be made upon confirmation of selection as a participant, and upon the receipt of the official letter from the Bar Council.

Confidentiality

The personal information that you provide to the Bar Council, whether now or in the future, may be used, recorded, stored, or otherwise processed by or on behalf of the Bar Council for the sole purpose of Bar Council's assessment of the YLEP 2016, and may not be disclosed to any third party or used for any other purpose without the express consent of the signatory of the form.

Declaration

I, the undersigned, affirm that the information that I have provided in this application form is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Name and Designation	
Signature	
Date	