



3RD ASEAN Conference on Healthy Ageing 2024

30th July - 1st August 2024

The Wembley - A St Giles Hotel
Penang, Malaysia

*Ageing Successfully -
Equitably, Actively and Naturally*

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**Decade
of healthy
ageing**



Foreword

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRPERSONS

On behalf of the organising committee, it is a pleasure to welcome our esteemed speakers, delegates, partners and colleagues to the 3rd ASEAN Conference of Healthy Ageing (ACHA) 2024 themed **“Ageing Successfully - Equitably, Actively and Naturally”**. Despite our many threats, the region has shown remarkable growth and achievement over the last decade. None have shown greater resilience than our ageing population. This conference offers a unique opportunity for ageing experts, all healthcare professionals from various multidiscipline and all people interested in healthy ageing to present their latest work, meet, discuss and network with colleagues from the region and abroad to share the best practices and know-how for the betterment of healthy ageing and the older population in the region.

MHAS first launched the first ACHA in collaboration with the Sarawak Convention Bureau, themed ‘Ageing Challenges, Successes and The Journey Ahead’ as a platform for stakeholders in the region to discuss the way forward in managing the issues and challenges of its rapidly ageing populations. Indonesia took up the healthy ageing baton to Bali in 2019 and following the pandemic, MHAS has re-energised the conference to begin again in the ‘Pearl of the Orient’, namely Penang, Malaysia.

Much awaits us in Penang. The organisers have designed a scientific programme that reflects various goals and initiatives as set out by the United Nation’s Decade of Healthy Ageing agenda. Aside from the plenary sessions, we look forward to your participation in the pre-conference workshops and three days of lectures, forums, symposiums, as well as interactive sessions that will cover a broad spectrum of issues in ageing such as healthcare, social participation, community, employability, housing, finance and environmental issues among others. These will be led by an impressive line-up of invited ASEAN, international and local speakers and panellists that will encourage stimulating and rewarding discussions and networking among delegates.

The timing of this conference could not be better as it will be held during the last week of the annual ‘Georgetown Festival’ where the Penang island state and its people pull out all the stops to celebrate its diverse and multi-cultural heritage. At this event, the Penang state Government will launch its age-friendly city initiatives in its efforts in applying to the World Health Organisation to become an age-friendly city. This is very much in line with its existing Penang Vision 2030 where ‘active ageing’ is a key component in transforming into a smart, green and livable city. We hope that you could be a part of this pivotal moment so do plan to come early so that you may enjoy the festivities leading up to the conference.

We look forward to your support and value your presence at this exciting conference.



ORGANIZING CHAIRPERSON & PRESIDENT
Prof. Dr. Shahrul Bahyah Kamaruzzaman



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Assoc. Prof. Dr. Prem Kumar Chandrasekaran

Foreword

MESSAGE FROM THE SCIENTIFIC CHAIRPERSONS

Dear Colleagues, Friends and Healthy Ageing Advocates,

Welcome to the ASEAN Healthy Ageing Conference! The theme of our conference this year - **“Ageing Successfully - Equitably, Actively and Naturally”** is indeed very apt after a 3 year-hibernation due to the COVID-19 pandemic to set in motion the United Nations’ (UN) Decade of Healthy Ageing (2021-2030) agenda, a global collaboration bringing together all stake holders for 10 years of catalytic and collaborative action to foster longer and healthier lives. A fundamental change in approaches to ageing is needed as we embrace successful ageing. The paradigm needs to be shifted from a treatment-focused model to a more integrated and preventive care model.

In line with the key domains in the iCOPE (Integrated Care for Older People) framework outlined by World Health Organisation, we have lined up an interesting and varied scientific programme which would cover the depth and breadth in the prevention and management of decline in intrinsic capacity as the population ages and importance of cross specialty multidisciplinary teams working together to improve healthcare for older people. Novel topics and hands-on sessions have also been integrated to enhance learning opportunities.

We hope the programme carved here will give each and every one an opportunity to learn to add life to years in our aging population. The 3-days program promises to change how we think, feel and act towards ageing, cultivating age-friendly environments, creating responsive healthcare systems and providing long term care and support essential to living with dignity.

We hope through this ASEAN Healthy Ageing Conference, medical professionals will continue to learn, enhance and enrich their knowledges which will translate to better and improved care for our older persons. The programs have been arranged to cater different expectations and aspirations of the delegates. Symposiums focusing on special population, lessons from the pandemic, digital health, lifestyle interventions as well as many other interesting sessions are carefully crafted to maximize learning opportunities. With an excellent line up of international and local speakers, we strongly believe that there is something in store for everyone attending this conference.

Lastly, let’s make every year count for you and for me, not just by the numbers but by how we live in between.



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Emerging Topics

BODY

Globesity: Translating Evidence to Best Practices
Evidence-Based Prevention of Osteoporosis and Fracture
Healthy Liver for Healthy Living
Prevention - Vaccination for Older Persons
Retraining your Brain
Disability and Ageing
Eyes and Ears - Social Senses
Spicing Up My Intimacy
Atherosclerotic Giants
Motivation for Exercise
The Value of Healthy Skin
Practice Shortcuts to Non-Geriatricians
Updates - Prevention and Management of Dementia
Preventing the Big C - Cancer
Injury and Fall Prevention
Growth Hormones - Benefits and Risk in Ageing Persons
Maintaining a Healthy Gut
Wheezy Woman and Gasping Men
Allergies and Immune Systems
Plugging the Leak - Managing Incontinence
Managing my Ageing Brain
Women's Mental Health
The Value of Sleep
Intimacy, Sexuality and Ageing
Healthy Teeth for My Old Age
Healthy Kidney, Healthy Me
Pain Management

SOCIO-COMMUNITY

Age Friendly Cities
Overview of Healthy Ageing Practices in South East Asia
Healthy Ageing and Economic Sustainability
Global Perspective - Initiatives from Around the World
Secrets of Happy and Enduring Relationship
Protection Against Poverty in Ageing
Ethicolegal Issues - End of Life
Insuring Myself for Old Age
Sustainability of Retirement Savings in Malaysia
A Healthy Workplace - Formula for Productive Ageing
Achieving Healthy Ageing
Geriatric Nursing
Healthy Ageing Initiatives, Successes and Failures
Paying for Healthcare
Legislation and the Older Persons
Active Ageing
Financial Security in Old Age
The Economics of Population Ageing
Aged Care Facilities
Long-Term Care Insurance
Retirement Homes
Grand-Parenting in the Digital Age
The Reflection of My Journey
What is Assisted Living?
Old Age - The Disability Strata
Policies for Ageing in ASEAN Countries
The Care Continuum
Advocacy and Rights
Post-Retirement Asset Management

MIND AND SPIRIT

Sexuality and Mental Health Adolescence
Redefining Recovering from Mental Illness
Addiction and Substance Abuse
Mental Health in Older Persons
Stress Management
The Role of Hypnosis in Delaying Ageing
The Value of Meditation
Motivation and Optimism with Ageing

COMPLEMENTARY AND ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE

Ayurveda for Healthy Ageing and Longevity
Food for Growing Old
Vegetarianism
Insights from the World of Complementary and Alternative Medicine
Environmental Health - Reduce, Reuse, Recycle
Qi Gong
The Healing Mind

FUTURE MEDICINE

Lung Cancer - No Longer A Death Sentence
Age Defying Food
Technology in Ageing



Call For Papers

1st June 2023 - 31st October 2023

Submit your entry via
<https://healthyageing.org/acha2024/>

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*Awards will be presented to the
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Conference Schedule

Pre-Conference

A pre-conference will be organized on **Monday, 29th July 2024** to provide attendees with valuable insights and opportunities before the main event. It serves as a platform to engage participants, foster networking, and facilitate knowledge exchange. To stay informed about the latest updates and important details related to this pre-conference, visit us at <https://healthyageing.org/acha2024/>

Time	30th July 2024 Tuesday	31st July 2024 Wednesday	1st August 2024 Thursday
7:30 - 8:30 AM	Registration	Breakfast Symposium	Breakfast Symposium
8:30 - 9:15 AM	Plenary P1	Plenary P3	Plenary P5
9:15 - 10:00 AM	Plenary P2	Plenary P4	Plenary P6
10:00 - 10:30 AM	Health & Wellness Break	Health & Wellness Break	Health & Wellness Break
10:30 - 11:15 AM	Opening Ceremony	Symposium S9,10,11,12	Symposium S21,22,23,24
11:15 - 12:00 PM	Keynote Address	Workshops W1,2,3,4	Workshops W5,6,7,8
12:00 - 12:45 PM	Special Lectures V1,2,3,4	Special Lectures V5,6,7,8	Special Lectures V9,10,11,12
12:45 - 2:15 PM	Lunch Symposium	L2 Lunch Symposium	L3 Lunch Symposium
2:15 - 3:00 PM	Symposium S1,2,3,4	Symposium S13,14,15,16	Symposium S25,26,27,28
3:00 - 3:45 PM	Symposium S5,6,7,8	Symposium S17,18,19,20	Symposium S29,30,31,32
3:45 - 4:15 PM	Forums F1,2,3,4	Forums F5,6,7,8	Forums F9,10,11,12
4:15 - 5:15 PM	Networking Tea Break	Networking Tea Break	Networking Tea Break
7:00 - 9:30 PM	Welcome Reception		

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for more information and updates regarding the conference

Presenting ACHA 2024

The ASEAN Conference on Healthy Ageing 2024 has been organized with the purpose of highlighting and addressing the various challenges and issues with regards to healthy ageing, from a holistic perspective. This conference acts as a platform to discuss the unique challenges of ageing faced throughout the ASEAN continent, which encompasses cultural, ethnic and religious aspects, in addition to global ageing concerns.

The conference will provide participants with the opportunity to enhance their professional development with regards to critical issues in ageing and gain a more holistic understanding on the subject. Furthermore, the conference also offers an excellent platform to network with some of the most eminent thought leaders and prominent minds in the field of ageing.

Book your seat. Explore the world of ageing through the ASEAN Conference on Healthy Ageing 2024 in realising the potential to “Ageing Successfully - Equitably, Actively and Naturally”.

About the Organiser



The Malaysian Healthy Ageing Society (MHAS) is proud to host the ACHA2024, an event focused on promoting healthy ageing in the region and beyond. MHAS, a non-profit organization, is committed to providing education, awareness and training to healthcare professionals, scientists, and the general public on various issues related to healthy ageing.

It has successfully done so for the past two decades, by actively organising events such as workshops, symposiums and conferences, as part of our ongoing efforts in collaboration with the health-care industry and engaged healthcare professionals.

To date, MHAS has played a significant role in hosting the inaugural World Congress on Healthy Aging in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in 2012. In 2015, we contributed to and collaborated on organizing the second World Congress on Healthy Aging in South Africa.

In 2017, MHAS successfully arranged the first ASEAN Conference on Healthy Aging (ACHA) in Sarawak, Malaysia. This led to our involvement in the second ASEAN Conference on Healthy Aging in Bali, Indonesia. Post pandemic, MHAS steps up to revive regional collaborations by celebrating the return of old and new friends and delegates to the 3rd ACHA 2024 in Penang, Malaysia.



REGISTRATION FORM

Visit <https://healthyageing.org/acha2024/> to purchase your tickets online

OR

Please return this registration form together with the payment documents to the Secretariat via e-mail at mhas.acha@gmail.com. All fields are mandatory.

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Contact No.		
Meal Preference	Vegetarian <input type="checkbox"/>	Non- Vegetarian <input type="checkbox"/>

Registration Fee (Please tick wherever appropriate) *RM300 for 2 workshop purchases

29th July 2024		9:00AM - 12:00PM		2:00PM - 5:00PM	
Pre-Conference Registration	Workshop A	RM180.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Workshop C	RM180.00 <input type="checkbox"/>
	Workshop B	RM180.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	Workshop D	RM180.00 <input type="checkbox"/>

Registration Fee (Please tick wherever appropriate)

30th July 2024 1st August 2024		Delegates		Student	
Early Bird Registration till 1st November 2023	Local Delegates	RM500.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	RM400.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
	ASEAN Delegates	USD300.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	USD250.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
	International Delegates	USD500.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	USD400.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Normal Registration after 1st November 2023	Local Delegates	RM650.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	RM500.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
	ASEAN Delegates	USD400.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	USD350.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
	International Delegates	USD650.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	USD500.00	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Registration for the 3rd ASEAN Conference on Healthy Ageing is inclusive of a membership of MHAS. Kindly note that you are supporting the MHAS cause that continues to advocate for healthy ageing issues at a much larger scale.



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