

Leadership Imperatives in **AI Adoption & Governance**

Thursday, 8 October 2026

World Trade Center (WTC) KL

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Digital transformation demands more than technology, it demands **AI-ready leadership.**

This executive workshop equips leaders to adopt, govern, and deploy AI for business performance, aligned with Malaysia's National AI Roadmap.

Featuring Malaysia's distinguished leaders, this exclusive learning experience will allow you to:

- Understand digital transformation, data & AI connections.
- Clarify AI governance, ethics & leadership roles.
- Deploy AI as a business performance enabler.

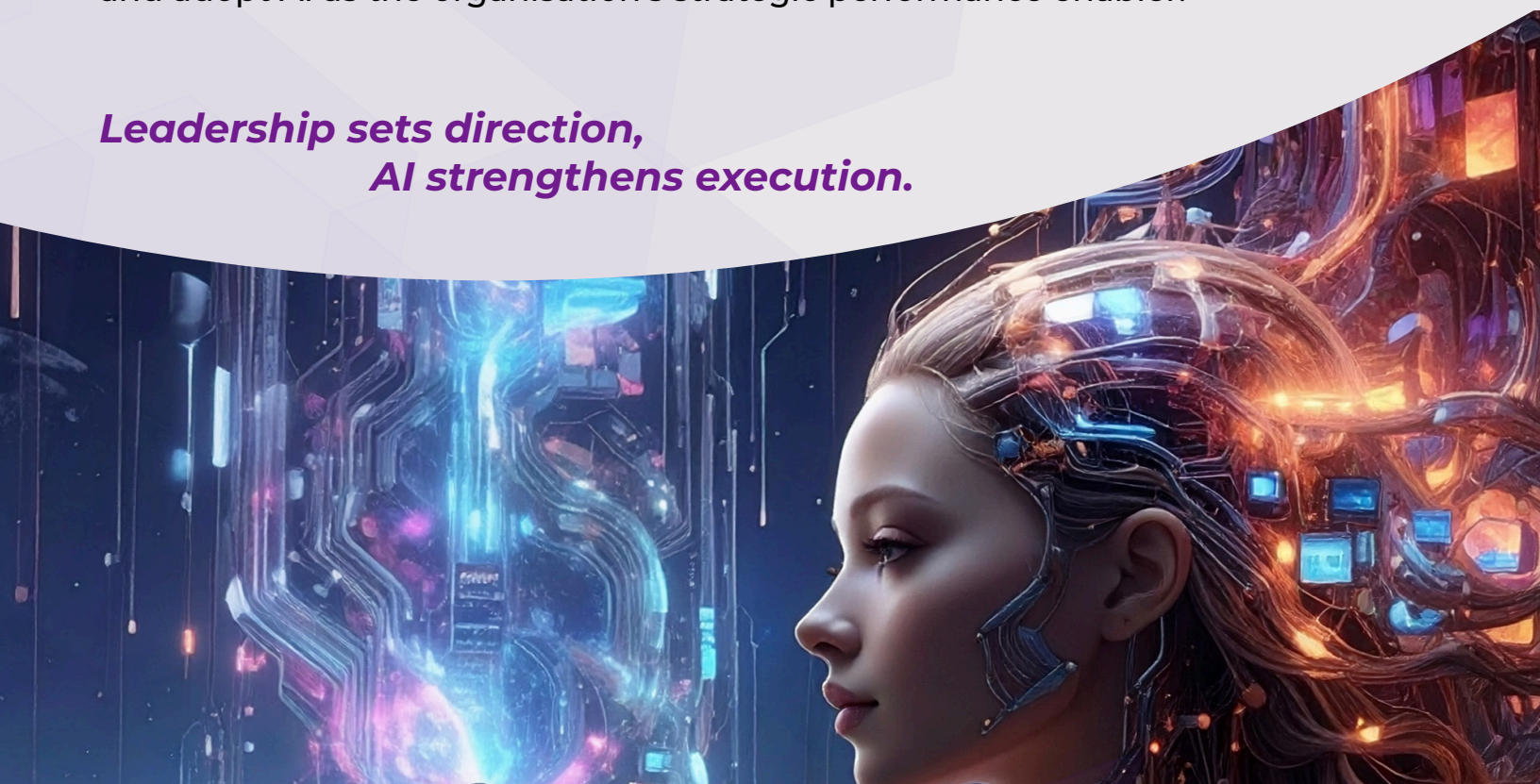
Program Intent

To jumpstart the adoption and institutionalisation of AI initiatives in line with Malaysia's National AI Roadmap.

Program Purpose

To ignite and initiate the required leadership commitment to successfully adapt and adopt AI as the organisation's strategic performance enabler.

***Leadership sets direction,
AI strengthens execution.***





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AI-ENABLED BUSINESS PERFORMANCE

Trainers:

Leadership & Sponsorship: **Tan Sri Syed Zainal Abidin**

Digital, Data & AI Performance: **Dr. Suresh Kumar Krishnan**

National AI, Governance & Ethics: **Professor Dr. Aini Suzana**



Tan Sri Syed Zainal Abidin

Board-level leader shaping national and multi-billion-ringgit organizations, turning AI strategy into sustained business value through executive leadership.



Dr. Suresh Kumar Krishnan

PhD-trained statistician and MPC Productivity Champion, helping leaders build data maturity and management systems for measurable AI performance.



Professor Dr. Aini Suzana

National architect of Malaysia's AI governance and ethics frameworks, guiding leaders on risk, responsibility, and regulatory alignment.

Event Details



DATE & TIME

Thursday, 8 October 2026
9:00 AM - 1:30 PM
(lunch provided)



LOCATION

World Trade Center (WTC)
Kuala Lumpur



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RM1000/pax
RM950 (group of 3 or more)



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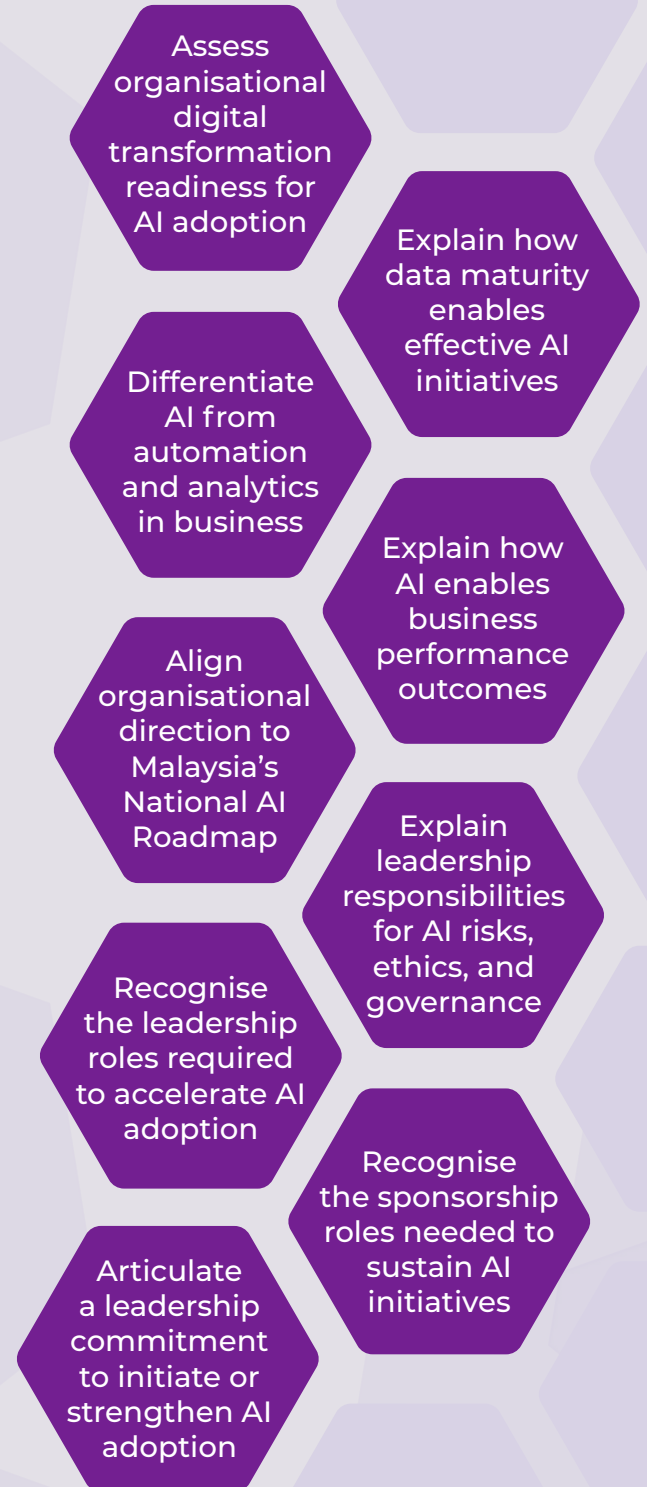
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Workshop Schedule

09.00 - 09.15	Leadership Framing & Program Kickoff
09.15 - 09.45	From Data to AI
09.45 - 10.15	What AI Really Is
10.15 - 10.45	Digital Transformation Today
10.45 - 11.15	AI Governance
11.15 - 11.45	National AI Roadmap & Direction
11.45 - 12.15	AI Risks, Ethics & Governance
12.15 - 12.45	Leadership & Sponsorship Roles
12.45 - 1.15	Leadership Challenges & Management Techniques
1.15 - 1.30	AI Adoption Approach, Commitment & Closing
1.30	Lunch

Learning Outcomes



FAQ

1. What is this workshop about?

This executive workshop focuses on leadership imperatives for AI adoption, governance, and performance. It helps leaders understand how AI fits into digital transformation, how it should be governed responsibly, and how it can be deployed to strengthen organisational performance.

2. What are the key areas covered?

- Digital transformation and data foundations
- What AI really is (and what it is not)
- AI governance, ethics, and risk management
- Leadership and sponsorship roles in AI adoption
- Deploying AI as a business performance enabler

3. Who should attend this workshop?

- Board members and C-suite leaders
- Senior management and functional heads
- Transformation, strategy, digital, and innovation leaders
- Organisations preparing for structured AI adoption

4. Why is leadership critical in AI adoption?

AI does not replace leadership - it depends on it. Effective AI adoption requires clear direction, responsible governance, and strong leadership commitment to ensure AI strengthens decision-making, performance, and trust.

5. What leadership challenges does this workshop address?

- Unclear leadership ownership of AI initiatives
- Governance, ethics, and risk concerns
- Misalignment between digital, data, and AI efforts
- Resistance and uncertainty in AI adoption
- Translating AI initiatives into business outcomes

6. What will I gain from this workshop?

- Clear leadership understanding of AI and its role in business
- Practical governance and sponsorship models for AI adoption
- Structured approaches to manage AI-related leadership challenges
- Confidence to lead AI initiatives responsibly and effectively

7. Who are the speakers?

Malaysia's respected leaders in AI, governance, and leadership:

- Tan Sri Syed Zainal Abidin
- Dr Suresh Kumar
- Prof. Dr. Aini Suzana

8. Is this workshop HRD Corp SBL-Khas claimable?

Yes. This program is HRD Corp SBL-Khas claimable, subject to approval.

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