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CDC's Anti-Corruption and Integrity Forum Part of CDC's Continuous Brand Association with Integrity and Transparency

KUALA LUMPUR, 18 SEPTEMBER 2019 - The Anti-Corruption and Integrity Forum 2019 received an overwhelming response from both public and private sectors, attracting about 200 participants. The one-day forum, which took place today at Hotel Istana, Kuala Lumpur, was co-organised by the Malaysian Institute of Integrity (IIM) and Commerce Dot Com Sdn Bhd, with the latter as the sole sponsor of the event.

Themed 'Embedding Integrity, The Cornerstone of Good Governance,' the forum provides an avenue for leaders in public and private sectors to get a better understanding of the need for comprehensive regulation in order to effectively combat bribery and corruption. It also highlighted the efforts and commitment of the Malaysian Government in the fight against bribery and corruption.

Twelve experts from diverse backgrounds and expertise were invited as panelists to the forum. They include the National Centre for Governance, Integrity, and Anti-Corruption (GIACC) Director General, Tan Sri Abu Kassim Mohamed. The former head of the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission, in his special address titled 'Embedding Integrity, The Cornerstone of Good Governance,' said many bills and directives were being examined and perused to ensure high governance and integrity to eradicate corruption in the nation.

"Among the key initiatives were the new code of conduct for members of Parliament, an asset declaration policy, a bill on political donations, and a bill on the Independent Police Complaints and Misconduct Commission. Addressing governance in corruption will also be extended to the private sector once the bill on corporate liability as per Section 17A of the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission Act 2009 is in force from June 1, 2020. The provision will ensure that commercial organisations do not participate in corrupt activities for their advantage or benefit," he said.

Also present at the event were Minister in the Chief Minister's Department (Integrity and Ombudsman) Datuk Haji Talib Zulpilip, CDC Corporate Division Vice President Hafidz Ahmad Zehnun, and IIM Acting Chief Executive Officer Nor'afiza Saim.

Established in 1999, CDC is the developer and operator of the Government electronic procurement system, ePerolehan. The national project was implemented under the Electronic Government initiative as part of the MSC Flagship Applications. The Malaysian Government was the first in the world to implement electronic procurement on a nationwide scale when ePerolehan was introduced in 2000.

Photo Caption: From left, CDC Corporate Division Vice President Hafidz Ahmad Zehnun, IIM Acting Chief Executive Officer Nor'afiza Saim, National Centre for Governance, Integrity, and Anti-Corruption (GIACC) Director General, Tan Sri Abu Kassim Mohamed, and GIACC Deputy Director-General Farah Adura Hamidi.