# Trends, Opportunities & Challenges in Key Markets for Rubber Products: USA, China & India

11 July 2017 9am to 1pm

MREPC Seminar Hall, Level 36, West Wing, Q Sentral, 2A, Jalan Stesen Sentral 2, KL Sentral 50470 Kuala Lumpur



### **Programme**

9.00am Registration

### 9.30am Malaysia - Current Economic Performance

- Ms Loy Wee Len, MREPC Economics & Market Research Advisor

Ms. Loy will provide overview of the global economic outlook, 2017 – 2018 and updates on Malaysian economic growth in the first quarter of 2017. She will discuss on factors impacting the Malaysian rubber products industry such as external trade, manufacturing, labour market, inflation, exchange rate and banking system performance. Potential challenges to the industry will also be presented.

### 10.15am Market Opportunities for Rubber Products in the USA

- Mr Donny Chan, MREPC USA

Mr. Donny will present latest movements and developments in the market for rubber products in the USA covering the medical, automotive and industrial segments. He will provide the growth prospects in the market amid the challenging political and economic environment in the USA.

# 11.00am India Growth Prospects in Changing Political and Regulatory Environment

- Mr Samir Shah, MREPC India

Presentation by Mr. Samir will focus on the potential impact of the changing political and regulatory climate in India on the supply and demand for rubber products. This includes the "Make-in-India" policy and how Malaysian exporters can align themselves with the changing environment. Concerning the challenges faced by the local & foreign manufacturers in doing business in India, he will share the known strategies followed by the successful players in the market.

## 11.45am China's Rubber Products Market - Opportunities and Challenges Ahead

- Ms Lio Lan Sing & Mr Chang Kah Chun, China Office

Our two representatives in China will share their projections on the market for rubber products in China for 2018 considering the outlook of the country's economy. They will present information on the latest opportunities and challenges on the markets specifically on rubber medical devices and rubber automotive components.

# 12.30pm Lunch and End of Seminar