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4th OPEN SCIENCE FORUM

DATE:

24th – 25th September 2025

VENUE:

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4TH OPEN SCIENCE FORUM (OSF-4): DAY-1

WEDNESDAY, 24th September 2025

Venue: Sekafi, Galeri Azman Hashim, Universiti Malaysia Sabah

8.00 am	<i>Bus departing from hotel to UMS</i>
8:30 am	<i>Registration & Coffee</i>
9.00 am	Welcoming Remark by Professor Ir. Dr. Rosalam Hj. Sarbatly 4 th Open Science Forum Chair Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research & Innovation), UMS
9.15 am – 10.00 am	Keynote 1: Global Trends in Open Science – What Can Asia Lead? Speaker: Professor Ir. Dr. Shaliza Ibrahim OPEN ASIA Project Coordinator, Universiti Tenaga Malaysia
10:00 am – 10.45 am	Keynote 2: U-Science Initiative towards Citizen Science Empowerment Speaker: Mr. Zawawi Tiyunin Chief Library, Universiti Malaysia Sabah
10:45 am	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:15 am – 12.00 pm	Forum 1: Citizen Science & Local Knowledge in Open Science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speaker 1: Prof. dr. Marjolein Zweekhorst Chair Innovation and Education, VU University, Netherlands • Speaker 2: Dr. Kenneth Fung Hong Ngen University of Malaya • Moderator: Dr Lim Thien Sang Faculty of Business, Economy & Accountancy, Universiti Malaysia Sabah
12:00 pm – 1.00 pm	Best Practice Sharing 1: European Experiences on Citizen Science Acculturation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speaker 1: Prof. Dr. Valerij Dermol International School for Social and Business Studies, Slovenia • Speaker 2: Dr. Annina Latu Tampere University, Finland • Speaker 3: Dr. Sarju Sing Rai Chair Innovation and Education, VU University, Netherlands • Moderator: Dr. Norazlina Khamis Deputy Dean (Research & Innovation), Faculty of Computing & Informatics, Universiti Malaysia Sabah



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1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Closing Ceremony & Lunch <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Closing Remark by Professor Datuk Dr Kasim Hj. Mansur Vice Chancellor, UMS Symbolic of Partnership Agreement Signing Ceremony
2:30 pm - 3:15 pm	Keynote 3: Open Science Policy, Recognition & Incentives Speaker: Prof. Dr. Wan Hashim Wan Ibrahim Chief Digital Officer, Universiti Malaysia Sarawak
3:15 pm - 4:15 pm	Best Practice Sharing 2: Asian Experiences on Open Access Implementation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Speaker 1: Dr. Jayakumar Singh Bondili SVKM's NMIMS (Deemed-to-be University), India• Speaker 2: Dr. Karen Ng Lee Peng University of Malaya, Malaysia• Speaker 3: Prof. Dr. Maninder Singh Thapar Institute of Engineering & Technology, India• Moderator: Dr. Farashazillah Yahya Director, Data Management & Artificial Intelligence Centre, Universiti Malaysia Sabah, Malaysia
4:15 pm	<i>Coffee break</i>
4:45 pm	<i>Art Gallery Walk</i>
5:45 pm	<i>Meet & Greet</i> Sunset Dinner
7:00 pm	<i>Bus departing from UMS to hotel</i>

4TH OPEN SCIENCE FORUM (OSF-4): DAY-2

THURSDAY, 25th September 2025

Venue: Auditorium, Galeri Azman Hashim, Universiti Malaysia Sabah

8.00 am	<i>Bus departing from hotel to UMS</i>
8:30 am	<i>Registration & Coffee</i>
9.00 am – 9.45 am	Keynote 4: Creating an Enabling Policy Environment for Open Science Speaker: Prof. Dr. Maninder Singh Thapar Institute of Engineering & Technology, India
10:15 am – 11.00 am	Keynote 5: Building Local Training Modules on Open Science for HEIs Speaker: Prof. Dr. Valerij Dermol International School for Social and Business Studies, Slovenia
11:00 am – 11.15 am	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:15 am – 12.00 pm	Forum 3: Designing a FAIR-Compliant Repository System <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speaker 1: Dr. Annina Latu Tampere University, Finland • Speaker 2: Dr. Bajarang Kumbhar SVKM's NMIMS (Deemed-to-be University), India • Moderator: Dr. Chin Pei Yee Deputy Director, Centre for Industrial Collaboration & Engagement, Universiti Malaysia Sabah, Malaysia
12:30 pm – 1:00 pm	Conclusion
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	<i>Lunch</i>
2:00 pm – 3.00 pm	<i>UMS Visit: U-Science</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main Library UMS
3.00 pm – 5.30 pm	<i>UMS Visit: Higher Institute Centre of Excellence, Borneo Marine Research Institute</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Akuarium UMS • Hatchery UMS • ODEC Beach UMS
5:30 pm	<i>Bus departing from UMS to hotel</i>