

## WELCOME REMARKS

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**Networking Dinner**  
**International Conference on Public Policy and Social**  
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**Distinguished guests, ladies, and gentlemen**

**Salutations**  
**(To be confirmed by the organiser on the day of the**  
**event)**

***Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh.***

**Good evening to everyone.**

1. It is with great pleasure that I welcome everyone to the **International Conference on Public Policy and Social Sciences (ICoPS) 2023 Dinner Event**.
2. I am delighted to see everyone here this evening to celebrate this special event and at the same time create a networking experience with all the delegates.
3. Hence, I extend my sincere thanks to all for gracing the event with your presence.
4. On behalf of the **Faculty of Administrative Science and Policy Studies UiTM**, I would like to also extend my sincere appreciation to all the wonderful individuals whose efforts and hard work contributed towards the success of this grand event.

**Ladies and gentlemen,**

5. Universities should prioritise activities with potential areas of international collaborations across disciplines, exchanges of staff and students, as well as joint academic programmes.
6. Our researchers, on the other hand, continue to play a key role in tackling prominent challenges and issues to strive for sustainability, as well as maintaining the strength of development.
7. Therefore, researchers should be proactive in increasing collaborations, both formally and informally, and most importantly, it should be encouraged and prioritised by academics and students as much as possible.
8. Collaborations across vast distances such as **ICoPS 2023** are vital and very much needed in our field of work and as leading universities in our respective nations.

9. Such efforts between higher learning institutions should not only establish **Quality Education** but also boost our image through activities such as community engagements that would help to cultivate ethical leadership.

**Ladies and gentlemen,**

10. This networking dinner is a suitable avenue to develop partnerships between international institutions, businesses, and government to further strengthen our reputation for excellence across the broadest spectrum of academic disciplines.
11. Networking facilitates new connections and revives existing partnerships that would spark innovations, develop mentorships, and nurture growth.
12. We should keep in mind that in today's fast-paced world, networking is no longer an additional requirement or a bonus, but rather, a necessity.

13. It opens doors to new prospects, offers fresh perspectives to what we already know, and helps to broaden our horizons.
14. Hence, I encourage each one of you to actively take part in networking and see it as a way of life and not just an additional activity when participating in conferences and similar events.
15. Take it as an opportunity to invest in your own growth and contribute to your community.
16. On that note, once again I would like to thank everyone involved in this event. I really hope that the experiences we went through together will inspire us further and lead to even bigger projects and collaborations between our institutions.
17. I anticipate that **ICoPS 2023** will turn out to be a great success not just for the organisers but for everyone else taking part, too.

18. Enjoy your time at the conference and our special dinner tonight. May these occasions bring plenty of wonderful moments.

**Thank you.**

**Wabillahi Taufiq Walhidayah Wassalamualaikum  
Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh.**