



Dato Lee Yee Cheong - Biography

Academician Dato' Ir. (Dr.) Lee Yee Cheong, BE Hons (University of Adelaide), Hon Doc Eng (UNITEN), DPMP, KMN, AO.

Dato' Lee is the Malaysian Chairman, Governing Council, International Science Technology and Innovation Centre for South-South Cooperation under the auspices of UNESCO (ISTIC), Kuala Lumpur.

He is a member of the National Science and Research Council, Malaysia; Member of the Malaysian Global Science Innovation Advisory Council (GSIAC) at the New York Academy of Sciences; Chairman of Governing Board, the Institute of Energy Policy and Research (IEPre), National Energy University Malaysia (UNITEN); Adjunct Professor of UNITEN; Pro Chancellor, Infrastructure University Malaysia; Patron of the International Young Professionals Foundation; and Member of the International Advisory Board of "Engineers Without Borders" Canada. He is a member of Board of Trustees, Future University, Sudan and Advisor, Pro-Tem Committee, African Academy of Engineering and Technology.

He was a Member of the National Economic and Social Council Kenya 2005-2011; Member of the International Advisory Board, Grand Challenges Canada 2008-2011. He was President and now Distinguished Honorary Fellow of the Institution of Engineers Malaysia. He was Member of the Board of Engineers Malaysia and the Board of Architects Malaysia and President of the World Federation of Engineering Organisations (WFEO) 2003-2005. He is an Honorary Fellow of the Institution of Engineering and Technology, UK; the Institution of Civil Engineers, UK; Engineers Australia; and Institution of Engineers, Mauritius. He is Honorary President of Commonwealth Engineers Council (CEC).

He was Co-Chair of Task Force “Science, Technology and Innovation” of the United Nations Millennium Project 2002-2005; Member of the Board of Trustees of Engineers Against Poverty, U.K and Member of the International Commission for Education for Sustainable Development Practice, Earth Institute, Columbia University 2006-2008. He represented WFEO in UNCSD Civil Society Major Group “International Science and Technology Community” 2001-2006, in that capacity, he attended World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD), Johannesburg 2002 and the World Summit on Information Societies (WSIS), Tunis 2005.

He served with the National Electricity Board Malaysia, 1961-1979. He founded and was CEO of Tenaga Ewbank Preece and later KTA Tenaga 1980-2002. He became a Partner of Ewbank Preece Consulting Group, UK; He was Board Director of UMW Holdings Berhad 2000-2008; Commissioner of the Energy Commission of Malaysia 2005-2009; Advisor to the Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation Malaysia 2006-2007; and Council Member of Badan Warisan Malaysia (Heritage Organisation Malaysia), 2005-2009.

He is founding Secretary General and Senior Fellow of the Academy of Sciences Malaysia; the founder President of the ASEAN Academy of Engineering and Technology; Foreign Fellow of the Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering; Corresponding Member of the Pan-American Academy of Engineering; Board Member of the InterAcademy Council (IAC) of the world’s scientific academies 2001-2004; Special Advisor to IAC Co-Chairs on Sustainable Energy 2008-2009.

He was co-author of the UN Millennium Project Science Technology and Innovation Task Force Study Report “Innovation: Applying Knowledge in Development”, 2005. He published his autobiography “Think Malaysian, Act Global” September 2010.

Dato’ Ir. Lee was conferred the Malaysian state awards of DPMP and KMN; the Honorary Officer of the Order of Australia (AO); In 2011 He was awarded the Korean Jang Yeong-sil Grand International Science and Cultural Prize and the Hon. Doctor of Engineering by UNITEN.
