

WELCOMING REMARKS

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Assalamualaikum and Good Day to everyone.

Taking place every year on 14 October, World Standards Day offers the opportunity to increase understanding of the importance of standardization. The theme for this year is Shared Vision for A Better World.

2021 marks the start of a multi-year campaign to increase understanding of how international standards contribute to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. The objective is that by 2030, international standards are recognized as an integral part of the success of the SDGs.

The Sustainable Development Goals are a collection of 17 interlinked global goals designed to be a "shared blueprint for peace and prosperity for people and the planet, now and into the future". The SDGs were set up in 2015 by the United Nations General Assembly and are intended to be achieved by 2030.

How Standards Help Us Achieve Our Shared Vision for A Better World:

- ▶ Achieving the SDGs will require the cooperation of many public and private partners, and the use of all available tools to disseminate best practice, including international standards and conformity assessment.
- ► The entire standards system is built on collaboration. By working together, we are empowering people with real-world solutions to face sustainability challenges head-on.

On this occasion of World Standards Day, let us continue to promote the

role of international standardization and fulfil the needs of our

stakeholders, strategic partners, consumers, government, industry, and

business worldwide.

Department of Standards Malaysia is both the National Standards Body

and the National Accreditation Body with the key roles of promulgating

and promoting standards and accreditation as a means of advancing the

economy, promoting industrial efficiency and development, facilitating

trade, furthering international cooperation, protecting the consumers and

ensuring health benefits, safety and welfare of the public.

We need to move forward with innovative spirit and turn challenges to

opportunities that will propel us further in our efforts to contribute to

sustainable development and in particular to health and safety, and

environment and trade.

As Nelson Mandela has said, "It is in your hands to create a better

world for all who live in it".

With this in mind, let us all work together to raise awareness on these

responsibilities.

Happy World Standards Day!

Thank you!