

Menghadap

Duli Yang Teramat Mulia Raja Muda Selangor,

Tengku Amir Shah Ibni Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah Alhaj.

Patik, bagi pihak seluruh warga INCEIF, dengan penuh hormat merafak sembah menjunjung setinggi-tinggi kasih atas limpah perkenan Duli Yang Teramat Mulia Tuanku berangkat mencemar duli ke Majlis Makan Malam Ulang Tahun Ke-20 INCEIF University malam ini.

Keberangkatan Tuanku benar-benar menyerikan majlis yang penuh makna ini dan menjadi kemuliaan besar buat kami sekeluarga INCEIF. Semoga Allah SWT sentiasa melimpahkan rahmat dan keberkatan-Nya kepada Duli Yang Teramat Mulia Tuanku.

Ampun Tuanku.

Patik mohon limpah perkenan untuk menyampaikan ucapan dalam Bahasa Inggeris.

Your Royal Highness,

Yang Berhormat Senator Dr Zulkifli Hasan,

YBhg Dato' Sri Abdul Rasheed Ghaffour,

Tan Sri Azman Mokhtar,

Tan Sri Abdul Wahid Omar,

Tan Sri Dr Zeti Akhtar Aziz,

Professor Emeritus Dato' Dr Azmi Omar,

Distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen.

Tonight, we gather to honour a journey that stretches far beyond the walls of this university. We celebrate a vision that has shaped minds, strengthened institutions, and advanced a discipline rooted in justice, resilience, and shared prosperity.

Two decades ago, Bank Negara Malaysia established INCEIF in service of a larger aspiration: that Islamic finance could rise as a powerful force for fairness and meaningful progress — and that this required an institution dedicated to cultivating leaders who embody integrity, wisdom, and moral clarity.

That aspiration became our compass. And over the years, it has guided us with purpose.

Today, INCEIF stands as a university of global standing. Our position among the top 6% of AACSB-accredited business schools reflects not only academic excellence, but the discipline, commitment, and belief that knowledge must always serve the public good.

But our true legacy lies with our alumni — now contributing to financial systems in more than 90 countries. They serve in central banks, ministries, financial institutions, international organisations, and the frontiers of fintech. Their leadership continues to uplift communities and strengthen markets. They are the living testament of what INCEIF stands for.

To our students, alumni, faculty, staff, and partners — thank you for the distinction you bring to INCEIF. As we look forward, the responsibility before us remains significant. Yet I remain confident that with continued dedication, INCEIF will stay at the forefront of advancing Islamic finance and strengthening global financial systems.

Ladies and gentlemen,

As we mark this meaningful milestone, we also recognise our INCEIF Endowment Fund partners and philanthropic contributors whose unwavering support continues to uphold and strengthen our mission.

This evening, we are honoured to present three significant launches that reflect INCEIF's progress, partnership, and continuity.

First, the I-CARE Alumni Fund — a distinguished expression of our alumni’s generosity and their enduring commitment to nurturing future leaders in Islamic finance.

Next, Islamic Banking in Malaysia: Past, Present and Future, prepared by the ISRA Institute for Maybank Islamic — a volume that documents the nation’s Islamic banking journey and offers insight into its evolving direction.

And finally, the INCEIF 20th Anniversary Commemorative Book — a reflection of two decades of growth, global engagement, and sustained contribution to the advancement of Islamic finance education worldwide.

Together, these milestones stand as dignified markers of how far we have come, and they strengthen the foundation for INCEIF’s next chapter.

Ladies and gentlemen,

As we carry this strength forward, we do so at a moment when the world is undergoing profound transformation.

Digitalisation, sustainability imperatives, shifting global dynamics, and the rapid rise of artificial intelligence are redefining how finance is structured, governed, and trusted.

In such times, the principles of Islamic finance — justice, transparency, risk-sharing, and stewardship — offer more than guidance; they offer a moral anchor.

The world is seeking a financial compass that keeps humanity at the centre of progress. INCEIF must help provide that compass.

As we step into our next chapter, our responsibility is clear: to translate excellence into influence.

We must deepen our leadership in Islamic digital finance, advance thought leadership in sustainability and transition pathways, and expand our role as a trusted intellectual partner to regulators, industry leaders, and global institutions.

Above all, we must nurture graduates who not only excel technically, but carry the wisdom to design financial systems that uplift rather than divide, stabilise rather than strain, and protect the collective future rather than individual gain.

The spirit that carried us for twenty years must now propel us forward with renewed conviction.

As we look ahead, we are reminded of a timeless principle from Surah An-Nahl:

“Indeed, Allah commands justice, excellence, and generosity.”

May these values continue to illuminate our journey, fortify our institutions, and guide INCEIF’s role in shaping a more ethical, resilient, and compassionate financial world.

Thank you.

(Pause)

Ampun Tuanku.

Patik sekali lagi merafak sembah menjunjung kasih atas limpah perkenan Tuanku berangkat mencemar duli malam ini.

Dengan itu, patik mengakhiri sembah ucapan patik dengan:

والسلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته

