



**PUTRAJAYA FORUM 2024 – A CONFERENCE ON REGIONAL
AND GLOBAL DEFENCE AND SECURITY**

1. **Kuala Lumpur, 6 May 2024** - Themed '**Non-Traditional Threats and Emerging Technologies**', the Putrajaya Forum 2024 was held today in conjunction with the Defence Services Asia (DSA) and National Security Asia (NATSEC ASIA) 2024 at Ballroom 1, Level 3, Malaysia International Trade and Exhibition Centre (MITEC).
2. The Putrajaya Forum serves as a **global conference platform aimed at convening policymakers, think tanks, as well as defence and security agencies from the regional and global community**. Its primary focus is fostering a conducive environment for dialogue sessions among participants, emphasising knowledge sharing, identifying common interests, exploring innovative solutions, and strengthening collaboration for regional and global peace.
3. This year's iteration of the forum comprised two main dialogue sessions. The first session, moderated by Professor Hajjah Ruhanas binti Harun *from Universiti Pertahanan Nasional Malaysia (UPNM)*, featured presentations from key speakers including Zimbabwe's Minister of Defence, Oppah Chamu Zvipange Munchiguri Kashiri; and Republic of Turkiye's Deputy Minister of Defence, Dr. Celal Sami TÜFEKÇİ. Titled '**Towards Enhanced Non-Traditional Security Cooperation**', this session focused on the perpetual nature of geopolitical competition.
4. The second session featured a panel comprising prominent figures such as Malaysia's Chief of Defence Force, General Tan Sri Dato' Seri Mohammad bin Ab Rahman; the Chief of the National Guard Bureau of the United States, General Daniel R. Hokanson; and Senior Lecturer of the Law Faculty of Universiti Malaya, Dr. Su Wai Mon. This session focused on the topic of '**Applying Emerging Technologies in Improving Military/Defence Diplomacy**', with discussions covering areas such as Artificial Intelligence, Robotics, Drones, and Space Technologies. Senior Research Fellow of Universiti Malaya, Professor K.S. Nathan, served as the moderator for this session.
5. Earlier, Minister of Defence, YB Dato' Seri Mohamed Khaled bin Nordin, delivered his keynote address and officially inaugurated the global conference forum. The event attracted approximately **300 local and international participants**, all sharing a strong commitment to fostering enduring values of unity and inclusivity for the collective benefit of humanity.