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Mazlin Bin Mokhtar, BSc (Tasmania), PhD (Queensland) is a Professor of Environmental Chemistry at Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM, The National University of Malaysia). He is currently a Director of the Institute for Environment and Development (LESTARI) at UKM since August 2005 - 15 January 2014; and again since 1 March 2019-28 February 2022. He was appointed by the Honorable Minister of Higher Education Malaysia to hold the post of Deputy Vice Chancellor in charged of Research and Innovation Affairs at UKM from 16 January 2014 - 15 January 2017. He was appointed by the Honorable Minister of Natural Resources and Environment Malaysia as Chairman of the Malaysian Environmental Quality Council from 2015-2018. In 2018 the Honorable Minister of MESTECC (Ministry of Energy, Science & Technology, Environment, and Climate Change) appointed Prof Mazlin as Chairman of Evaluation Committee of Lynas rare earth operations in Malaysia. In 2019 Prof Mazlin was appointed by the Honorable Minister of KATS as Deputy Chairman of a special Committee to develop SOP for Bauxite Mining and Exportation. Professor Mazlin is also a Fellow of the Malaysian Institute of Chemistry, and Fellow of the Academy of Sciences Malaysia. He has been appointed as Honorary Professor and Senior Fellow by various universities in Malaysia including Sunway University, UNISZA, UIM, and IMU. He was a member of the National Steering Committee of the UNDP GEF Small Grants Programme 2000-2018 (longest serving member); esteemed Nomination Committee Member of the prestigious Merdeka Awards Malaysia (Environment Category) of 2015-2017 & 2020-2022; Advisory Committee of the National River Care Fund, Member of WWF Malaysia's Board of Trustees 2014-2018; and currently Chairman of Sub Sector on Advocacy, Awareness, Capacity Building & Public Participatory Platforms (AACB+PPP) of the National Water Sector Transformation 2040 Study sponsored by the Economic Planning Unit (EPU) of Prime Minister's Department & Academy of Sciences Malaysia (ASM). Professor Mazlin was awarded Winner of the coveted national environmental award Anugerah Langkawi 2017/2018. His Royal Highness The Sultan of Kedah Darul Aman had bestowed upon Prof Mazlin the Darjah Setia DiRaja Kedah DSDK on 14 January 2014 which carried the title Dato'; and earlier His Royal Highness The Sultan of Perak had bestowed upon him the Pingat Paduka Mahkota Perak PMP in 2002 based upon his excellent services to country and society for sustainability of one, and many. His research interests and leadership in environmental management and sustainability had brought recognition and acknowledgement from various internationally renowned universities, and entities in and around Asia Pacific and Europe over the past thirty years or so. He has published widely in many forms in various peer reviewed journals and books, and articles, and had supervised, guided, and mentored many next generation leaders and professional managers, and contributors at various levels in Malaysia, and Asia. Recently, Prof Dato' Mazlin was appointed by the government of Malaysia as a member of the Appeals Board of the Environmental Quality Act (EQA) 1974; and Academy of Sciences Malaysia appointed him as the Chairman of the Environment Committee of ASM. Under his leadership, LESTARI UKM won the MOHE Potential HiCOE Award of 2010-2012; UKM Best MyRA PTJ for Social Science 2019; and 2020 UKM Bitara Award for Best S&T Journal Paper, Best Social Science Journal Paper, and Best Community Outreach Programme. Prof Mazlin was the Winner of UKM's Inaugural Anugerah Mithali Akademik 2007, and UKM Excellence Award of 1993 & 2004. His work on Chemicals Management System of Malaysia won MOHE's best award for FRGS social science research in 2010. He is a member of the Malaysia's SDSN Leadership Council on SDGs.