

ISIS MALAYSIA JOINS THE SILK ROAD THINK TANK NETWORK (SiLKS) AS A FOUNDING MEMBER

The Institute of Strategic and International Studies (ISIS) Malaysia has become a founding member of The Silk Road Think Tank Network (SiLKS) which was launched at the Silk Road Forum 2015 in Madrid, Spain on 28 October 2015. ISIS Malaysia is among 40 think tanks from 27 countries in Asia and Europe and 3 international institutions that constitute the founding members and partners of SiLKS. Tan Sri Rastam Mohd Isa, Chairman and Chief Executive of ISIS Malaysia was present at the launching and participated in the Silk Road Forum.

SiLKS is an independent and informal network bringing together think tanks, international organizations and relevant institutions. It was jointly initiated by the Development Research Centre (DRC) of the State Council of China and the Centre for International Relations and Sustainable Development (CIRSD) based in Belgrade.



SiLKS activities would include “joint research on issues regarding economic and social development in relevant countries and regions; providing consultation services to

governments, enterprises, and organizations; promotion of information exchange and knowledge sharing through the Silk Road Forum, multilateral and bilateral roundtables, websites, publications, media and other means; promotion of people-to-people exchanges, including among scholars and delegations, and improvement of the infrastructure of think tanks such as databases, so as to enhance the capacities of think tanks on policy research and consultation”.



As a founding member, ISIS Malaysia hopes to be able to tap into the resources of the wide network of think tanks afforded by SiLKS as well as make a meaningful contribution to the activities of SiLKS by actively participating in the network’s activities.

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