

**Call for chapters**  
**Sheikh Zayed Al Nahyan Chair, ISIS Malaysia**

**Title: *UAE-Southeast Asia Relations***

**Objective:** To produce chapters for a book to be edited by HE Mohammed Al-Murr, holder of the Sheikh Zayed Al Nahyan Chair, Institute of Strategic & International Studies (ISIS) Malaysia.

**Timeline:**

	<b>Action</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
1	Call for abstracts	10 September 2024
2	Abstract submission	11 October 2024
3	Notification to authors	1 November 2024
4	Submission of chapters (4 months)	28 February 2025
5	Review and notification to authors	31 March 2025
6	Submission of revised chapters	30 April 2025
7	Submission of manuscript to external editors	1 month for editing
8	Layout, design, ISBN application	1 month
9	Printing	10 days

**Length:** 8 to 12 chapters. Each chapter between 3,000 and 5,000 words.

**Tone and format:** engaging for the lay reader and not heavily academic. Authors are expected to be rigorous in their factual statements, observations and analyses. Chapters formatted to ISIS Malaysia house style.

**Target audience:** policymakers, diplomats, scholars and students of international relations, history, cultural studies, environment and sustainability studies, international trade and investment, think-tankers.

**Remuneration:** MYR 7,000 per chapter upon completion of manuscript.

**Submission guidelines:**

Interested individual or co-authors should submit a 200-300-word abstract and biography not exceeding 100 words by **11 October 2024** to:

Maryam Ismail (maryam@isis.org), copying Shahrman Lockman (shahrman@isis.org.my).

Chapters must be original and previously unpublished work. Authors are required to declare any conflict of interest.

**Concept note:**

*UAE-Southeast Asia Relations* seeks to map the history and trajectory of the UAE's relationship with Southeast Asian nations and document the emerging economic and cultural cooperation between the Gulf nation and its Southeast Asian counterparts.

The book will compile chapters by international relations scholars and practitioners – including, but not limited to diplomats and think-tankers – historians, cultural specialists, economists and other experts on the subject matter.

This book will serve as an opportunity for subject specialists to articulate their understanding and ideas of UAE-Southeast Asia relations as well as provide an accessible and fundamental guide to the topic, which is sorely needed at this crucial point in ASEAN-GCC relations. It aims to augment the conversation surrounding Malaysia's hosting of the second ASEAN-GCC summit in 2025 and generate more substantial exchanges between stakeholders.

**Recommended topics:** authors are encouraged to write on areas of cooperation that have been identified by the inaugural ASEAN-UAE Joint Sectoral Cooperation Committee (AUAE-JSCC) meeting convened on 7 June 2023. We also welcome first-hand accounts of experience in diplomatic missions.

Areas of cooperation in the **political sphere:** transnational crime, preventing and countering terrorism and violent extremism, cybersecurity, peace and reconciliation, good governance and rule of law.

In the **economic sphere:** trade and investment, public-private and business-to-business networking and linkages, energy, food security, tourism, advanced technology, strengthening ASEAN's market integration, sustainability and decarbonisation, digital transformation, as well as inclusivity (micro, small and medium enterprises, public-private partnership, and people-to-people contacts).

In the **socio-cultural sphere**: education, heritage and culture, public health, climate change, and people-to-people exchanges.