

# BDO Tax Seminar on Budget 2026

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## About BDO's Tax Seminar

BDO's flagship Tax Seminar returns this year! Designed to unpack key updates from the fiscal budget, the seminar brings together our in-house specialists and distinguished guest speakers to address today's most critical tax matters. Participants will gain direct access to experts from BDO, the Ministry of Finance, the Malaysian Investment Development Authority (MIDA), and Rosli Dahlan & Saravana. Beyond technical discussions, the seminar also provides a platform for meaningful networking and knowledge sharing. Its strong track record—consistently attracting over 500 professionals annually—reflects our commitment to delivering a comprehensive and impactful programme.

### Kuala Lumpur

**Date:** Tuesday, 4 November 2025

**Time:** 09:00am - 05:30pm

**Venue:** One World Hotel, Bandar Utama, Petaling Jaya, Selangor Darul Ehsan

### About BDO

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### Who Should Attend



CEOs / CFOs /  
Directors



Tax  
Specialists



Finance Directors  
& Managers



Corporate  
Advisors



Financial  
Controllers



Accountants

### Seminar Highlights

- 1 MOF's Perspective on Budget 2026**  
Our special guest speaker, who is the Secretary-General of Treasury, Ministry of Finance, shall be sharing his perspective on Budget 2026 followed by a panel discussion and Q&A session.
- 2 Malaysia Budget 2026: Key Tax Changes & Implications**  
We will discuss key proposals of significant interest announced in Budget 2026 and provide insightful commentary on their tax implications on businesses and individuals.
- 3 Updates on Capital Gains Tax (CGT), Foreign Source Income (FSI) and Stamp Duty**  
An overview of regulatory updates in CGT, FSI and Stamp Duty, with a focus on practical considerations.
- 4 Malaysia Tax Enforcement Trend - AI and Big Data**  
Malaysia's tax system is entering a digital era with e-invoicing, real-time reporting, and big data analytics driving compliance. This session explores how the tax authorities, i.e., IRBM and RMCD adopt these tools in tax enforcement to achieve greater transparency and efficiency in tax collections.
- 5 Transfer Pricing Documentation (TPD) Exemption Navigator**  
A 20-Minute Walkthrough of Transfer Pricing Documentation Exemptions under Paragraph 1.5 of Malaysian TP Guidelines 2024.
- 6 New Investment Incentive Framework by MIDA & Johor-Singapore Economic Zone (JS-SEZ)**  
Gain strategic insights from the CEO/ Senior Officer of MIDA on the New Investment Incentive Framework and unlocking investment potential and fiscal incentives within the JS-SEZ. This exclusive session offers valuable guidance for stakeholders seeking to navigate and capitalise on emerging opportunities.
- 7 Latest Sales & Service Tax (SST) Updates and Practical Impact**  
We will share the most recent SST developments and provide practical insights on its impact to businesses.
- 8 Analysing Recent Landmark Tax Cases**  
Our guest speaker will provide critique of some of the recent tax cases in Malaysia.

## Programme

**Tuesday, 4 November 2025**

08:15am - 09:00am	Registration
09:00am - 09:10am	Welcome Address
09:10am - 10:15am	Malaysia Budget 2026: Key Tax Changes & Implications
10:15am - 10:35am	Updates on Capital Gains Tax (CGT), Foreign Source Income (FSI) and Stamp Duty
10:35am - 10:55am	Tea Break
10:55am - 11:45am	MOF's Perspective on Budget 2026 - Special Guest Speaker and Panel Discussion with Q&A
11:45am - 12:45pm	Malaysia Tax Enforcement Trend - AI and Big Data
12:45pm - 02:00pm	Networking Lunch
02:00pm - 02:20pm	Transfer Pricing Documentation (TPD) Exemption Navigator
02:20pm - 03:20pm	New Investment Incentive Framework by MIDA & Johor-Singapore Economic Zone (JS-SEZ)
03:20pm - 04:20pm	Latest Sales & Service Tax (SST) Updates and Practical Impact
04:20pm - 05:15pm	Analysing Recent Landmark Tax Cases
05:15pm - 05:30pm	Q&A Session

## Speakers' Profile

### Special Guest Speaker



#### **Ybhg. Datuk Johan Mahmood Merican**

**Secretary-General of Treasury  
Ministry of Finance Malaysia**

Datuk Johan Mahmood Merican is currently serving as the Secretary General of Treasury, Ministry of Finance since his appointment in March 2023. Datuk Johan has served in the Government for over 20 years in various roles including Deputy Secretary General (Policy) and the National Budget Director at the Ministry of Finance, Deputy Director General (Human Capital) of the Economic Planning Unit and Chief Executive Officer of Talent Corporation Malaysia Berhad. Before joining the government in 2004, he had worked for 9 years in corporate finance and accounting roles in the private sector. Datuk Johan is a qualified Chartered Accountant of Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW) and graduated with an Economics Degree from the University of Cambridge, United Kingdom.

### Moderator



#### **Beh Tok Koay**

**Senior Advisor, Tax  
BDO in Malaysia**

Beh has more than 40 years experience in taxation, both with the Inland Revenue and as a tax leader in a Big 5 firm. He has advised large local and multinational clients on complex tax engagements in areas including IPOs, corporate reconstruction, privatisation, joint ventures, mergers and acquisitions. He has led many delegations in dialogues and discussions with Government authorities. Beh is also the Chairman of MICPA's Tax Practice Committee.

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### Guest Speakers



#### **Ybhg. Datuk Sikh Shamsul Ibrahim Sikh Abdul Majid**

Chief Executive Officer

**Malaysian Investment Development Authority (MIDA)**

YBhg. Datuk Sikh Shamsul Ibrahim's journey with MIDA began in August 1996, and over the decades, he has exemplified a steadfast ascent through the organisation's ranks, holding critical positions such as Executive Director for Manufacturing Development and Investment Promotion, and notably, Senior Executive Director of Investment Policy Advocacy.

His remarkable career is characterised by his strategic acumen in policy advocacy, investment project evaluation, investment promotion, and industrial development, roles he has excelled in both at MIDA Headquarters and overseas offices in the United States, Japan, and Singapore. Under his astute leadership, divisions focusing on electronics, machinery and metal, transportation, and building technologies have seen unprecedented growth and innovation. A holder of a Bachelor of Arts in Economics, majoring in Analytical Economics from the University of Malaya, his profound expertise in economic dynamics enriches his leadership, making him a pivotal figure in shaping industry standards and enhancing investment landscapes.



#### **Saravana Kumar**

Partner, Head of Tax, SST & Customs

**RDS Partnership**

Saravana is the Head of the Firm's Tax, SST & Customs and has appeared in benchmark litigations with a sizeable volume of wins in tax disputes. Saravana has been recognized as one of the leading lawyers by Asialaw Profiles and has been named one of the 40 leading lawyers under 40 in Asia by Asian Legal Business in 2018. He was also named as one of the 100 leading lawyers in Malaysia by Asia Business Law Journal. Legal 500 commented that 'Saravana Kumar is an outstanding tax lawyer with an impeccable track record. His arguments and strategies are courageous and groundbreaking. He is not only knowledgeable and up to date but also humble and polite. Highly recommended tax lawyer.' He was formerly an Adjunct Professor with Universiti Tenaga Nasional (UNITEN). He also chairs the Taxation & Customs Committee of LAWASIA.

### BDO Speakers



#### **David Lai**

Executive Director, Head of Tax Advisory

David is the Head of the Tax Advisory function. He has over 30 years of work experience in professional practice, investment banking, and has served as CFO in an international group. His corporate experience has enabled him to add value by translating technical professional advice into practical business solutions. He is a former Executive Committee and Council Member of the Chartered Tax Institute of Malaysia (CTIM), and served as Chairman of the Institute's Indirect Tax Technical Committee. He is also a Fellow member of ICAEW, and a member of MIA and MICPA.

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#### **Christopher Low**

##### **Executive Director, Tax**

Christopher has over 35 years experience in tax compliance and Tax Audits and Investigations. He has assisted and resolved numerous cases between taxpayers and the IRBM. Christopher is active in public speaking engagements and has spoken at CTIM and IRBM joint seminars, as well as in-house seminars on Tax Audits and Investigations.



#### **Koo Kian Ming**

##### **Executive Director, Tax**

Kian Ming has over 20 years of experience in corporate tax compliance and advisory, serving both multinational and local companies across diverse industries, including oil and gas, property development, construction, tourism, manufacturing, retail, and plantation.



#### **Tan Chin Teck**

##### **Executive Director, Transfer Pricing**

Chin Teck is an Executive Director in the Transfer Pricing Group of BDO in Malaysia. He joined BDO in Malaysia in 2018, advising clients on transfer pricing compliance and advisory issues. Prior to joining BDO, he is also experienced in audit, financial and tax due diligence, GST, and accounting advisory. His diverse work experience enables him to help clients review, document, manage and defend their transfer pricing policies and processes. He works with clients to develop sustainable transfer pricing strategies that involve supply chain management, business restructuring, system implications and most importantly, accounting and tax impact. Chin Teck is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, the Malaysian Institute of Accountants, the ASEAN Chartered Professional Accountants, and an associate of the Chartered Tax Institute of Malaysia.



#### **Soh Pin Tau**

##### **Executive Director, Tax**

Soh Pin Tau has over 17 years of experience in tax practice. Before joining BDO, she worked at KPMG Tax Services Sdn Bhd and Deloitte Tax Services Sdn Bhd. She has managed tax compliance for both individuals and corporate clients across various sectors, including manufacturing, trading, construction, property development, investment holding, professional services, hotels, retail, information technology, logistics, and financial institutions. Additionally, she has been involved in assignments related to transfer pricing, income tax audits and health checks, and tax advisory, including withholding tax, real property gains tax (RPGT), stamp duty (SD), and sales and service tax (SST). Soh Pin Tau has also contributed to GST implementations, health checks, and advisory assignments for clients in diverse industries.

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#### **Yap Mei Sei**

##### **Executive Director, Tax**

Yap Mei Sei has over 15 years of experience in tax practice, with extensive expertise in both direct and indirect taxes. Her clientele includes manufacturing and trading companies, hotels, retail businesses, construction and property development firms, and investment holding entities. She provides assistance with tax compliance, tax planning, tax audits, incentive applications, real property gains tax, and stamp duty matters. Yap Mei Sei was involved in Goods and Services Tax (GST) implementation and various GST assignments since its introduction in Malaysia in 2014 and worked closely with the Royal Malaysian Customs Department (RMCD) on GST closure audit assignments. She is also involved in Sales Tax and Service Tax matters since their reintroduction in 2018.



#### **Yong Mee Thing**

##### **Executive Director, Tax**

Mee Thing has over 10 years of experience in tax compliance and advisory. She has managed tax compliance for corporate clients, Malaysian individuals, and expatriates. Her expertise spans a wide range of industries, including property development, management and construction, manufacturing, trading, marketing, plantation, investment holding, retail, and groups of companies. Since 2009, she has been extensively involved in providing advice and representing taxpayers in tax audits and investigations, successfully assisting and resolving numerous cases with the IRBM. Mee Thing is a member of the Chartered Tax Institute of Malaysia (CTIM) and serves on the Tax Audit and Investigation Working Group (TAIWG) for the 2021/2022 term.



#### **Chan Kwan Yee**

##### **Executive Director, Tax**

Kwan Yee has more than 20 years of experience in tax with professional accounting firms. She has provided tax compliance and consultancy services in the areas of income tax, audit and investigation, real property gains tax and etc. Kwan Yee's expertise is in corporate tax advisory work for local and multi-national companies in the trading, construction, property development, hotels and manufacturing sectors. Kwan Yee is also involved in corporate restructuring, local and foreign listings, joint ventures and investment structures.



#### **Chia Swee How**

##### **Executive Director, Tax**

Chia Swee How is an Executive Director of Tax of BDO in Malaysia. With over 23 years of corporate tax experiences in Malaysia and Singapore, he has advised multinationals, group companies and entrepreneurs in Malaysia on a range of land, property development and construction projects, cross border business transactions, supply chain planning, mergers and acquisitions, and setting up of private equity fund structures. His primary focus has been on sectors namely property development, construction, manufacturing, and services.

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