

## Talk on conservation for Orang-Utan Day at UCSI

**KUCHING:** Nature enthusiasts and members of the public are invited to attend an upcoming talk on orang-utan conservation in Sarawak, in conjunction with International Orang-Utan Day.

The talk will be held at UCSI University Sarawak Campus in Jalan Tun Jugah on Aug 19 at 7.30pm, and will cover the behaviour, biology, distribution and overview of the gentle, giant ape.

The talk, organised by the Malaysian Nature Society Kuching Branch in conjunction with the support from UCSI University Sarawak Campus and Sarawak Forestry Corporation (SFC), is in honour of International Orang-utan Day.

SFC deputy general manager (Protected Areas and Biodiversity) Oswald Braken Tisen will be delivering the talk, and Braken is a specialist in protected area management and biodiversity and wildlife management, holding a Master's degree in parks, recreation and tourism management from Lincoln University, New Zealand in 2003, as well as a Bachelor's degree in forestry from Universiti Pertanian Malaysia in 1984.

Every year, Aug 19 is set as International Orang-Utan Day (formerly known as World Orang-utan Day) and the celebration aims to encourage the public to take action in protecting and conserving this species and its habitat.

Admission to the talk is free, and members of the public interested for further information and registration for the talk are invited to email inquiries to [mnskuching@gmail.com](mailto:mnskuching@gmail.com)