

Forum on sustainable development goals July 28

KUCHING: A forum on the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) will be held at UCSI Hotel, Kuching Isthmus off Jalan Bako here on July 28.

The one-day event is to introduce and explain the 17 SDGs to civil society organisations (CSOs) or locally known as non-governmental organisations (NGOs) and members of the public.

The objectives of the forum are

to generate public awareness on the importance of the SDGs in Sarawak; to highlight on how CSOs and SDGs work together and to establish a platform in Sarawak for CSOs to engage with government, institutions and businesses towards achieving sustainable development.

In 2015, the United Nations (UN) had set 17 global goals for sustainable development which cover social and economic development issues such as

poverty, hunger, health, education, gender equality, climate change, water, sanitation, and social justice.

With 169 targets set, the SDGs are essentially a guideline to help all governments across the world to work towards achieving sustainable development by the year 2030.

The forum will feature six local speakers who will share their expertise on gender equality, environment, marginalised

communities, health, education and social justice. Datuk Dr Denison Jayasooria, Co-Chair of the National CSO Alliance will deliver the keynote address.

Entrance to the forum is free of charge and limited spaces are still available.

Those who are interested in joining the forum can contact Stephanie Chong at 019-8182929, or email at cchuiteng@wwf.org.my for further details.