



# Seminar

## *Natural Rubber Industry - Outlook and Sustainability Development*

- What is the outlook for Natural Rubber Industry in FY2023?
- What are the latest developments on sustainability in the Natural Rubber Industry and what we have to do?



Please scan for seminar details

**Date : Friday, 24 FEBRUARY 2023**

**Time : 2.30 PM - 5:30 PM (Registration starts at 2.00 pm)**

**Venue : CARLTON HOTEL SINGAPORE  
Empress Ballroom 1 to 3 Level  
76 Bras Basah Road S(189558)**

### RTAS Invited Panel of Speakers



**Dr Lekshmi Nair**

Head of Economics & Statistics,  
International Rubber Study Group



**Mr Christian Bustamante**

Senior Manager, Sustainability  
Halcyon Agri Corporation Ltd



**Mr Jom Jacob**

Chief Analyst & Co-Founder  
WhatNext Rubber  
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**Mr Sathiya Muthiah**

Managing Director  
Cocoasource Singapore



**Mr Riaz Altaff Hussien**

Sustainability Manager  
Continental Tyres & Rubber  
Singapore Pte Ltd



**Mr See Sang Lye**

Executive Director  
Institutional Banking Group  
Sustainability, DBS



RTAS is pleased to organise our inaugural seminar in conjunction with our RTAS Lunar New Year Dinner 2023 held on 24 February 2023.

The Covid-19 pandemic since 2020 had created massive challenges across various countries and industries, and this includes the Natural Rubber industry. The supply chain issues had seriously affected the industry in FY2021 and FY2022, and this disrupted the global demand and supply of Natural Rubber. The challenges continued into FY2022 with onset of Ukraine-Russia war, which caused the energy cost to spike and affected the cost of production. During FY2022, the financial tightening of US Federal Reserve to tame inflation has resulted to higher cost of borrowings globally and has raised the risk of recession.

**What is the outlook for the Natural Rubber industry in FY2023?**

With the increasing focus on Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) by external stakeholders on business, one topic that affect the Natural Rubber Industry is on Sustainability. There has been ongoing activities and efforts by natural rubber industry stakeholders to develop a Sustainable Natural Rubber supply chain. **What are the latest developments on sustainability in Natural Rubber industry and what we have to do?**

As these two topics are emerging matters, RTAS decided to organise this seminar for our members' benefits. The seminar title is **"Natural Rubber Industry – Outlook and Sustainability Development"**.



## Seminar Agenda:

### Details

Welcome Address

Presentation: Supply and Demand of Natural Rubber and Market outlook

What's in store for natural rubber prices in the new year?

Q & A

Panel discussion: Sustainability Development in Natural Rubber Industry and other commodities

Presentation: Sustainable Finance, Net Zero Transition and the Changing Nature of FinSancing

Q & A

Close

### Presenters

**Ms Pearlyn Ng**

*President – Rubber Trade Association of Singapore*

**Dr. Lekshmi Nair**

*Head of Economics and Statistics – IRSG*

**Mr Jom Jacob**

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