

MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND ECONOMY

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SOCIALIZATION SESSION: OPPORTUNITIES AND ADVANTAGES IN LAUNCHING GREENHOUSE GASSES (GHG) ACCREDITATION SCHEME OF ISO 14065 IN BRUNEI DARUSSALAM Radisson Hotel, Bandar Seri Begawan 7-8th February 2023

- 1. The Ministry of Finance and Economy through the National Standards Centre (NSC), through a bilateral collaboration with European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), an initiative under the EU-South East Asia Cooperation on Mitigating Climate Change impact from Civil Aviation for the Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (EU SEA CCCA CORSIA), conducted a socialization session on 'Opportunities and Advantages in Launching Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Accreditation Scheme of ISO 14065 in Brunei Darussalam' held on the 7-8 February 2023 at the Radisson Hotel, Bandar Seri Begawan.
- 2. The objective of the socialization is to introduce the importance of GHG standard such as ISO 14065:2020 that specifies the principles and requirements for bodies performing validation and verification of environmental information statements and ISO 14064:2018, that provide series of standard for quantifying and reporting greenhouse gas emissions. More importantly, on the role of accreditation in assessing the competency and reliability of Conformity Assessment Bodies in providing verification and validation services related to greenhouse gases emission. From monitoring of greenhouse gas emissions to the testing and inspection of energy efficient electric items, to solar, wind, wave and nuclear power generators, it is important to ensure accurate measurements, competent inspection, reliable testing and verifiable claims. Accreditation provides an independent and robust evaluation of bodies that test, measure, inspect, verify and certify products, systems, claims and personnel that are fundamental in supporting government policy and any industry-led initiatives on carbon emission.
- 3. Officiating the socialization was Yang Mulia Awang Allen On, Director of Industry and Business Ecosystem (IBE) Division as Acting Director National Standards Centre, Ministry of Finance and Economy. In his welcoming remarks, he touched on the importance of providing a strong national accreditation scheme that is impartial and internationally recognized. YM Awang Allen further expressed that the National Standards Centre will continue to strengthen the national quality infrastructure with strong coordinated effort in the development of national standards and accreditation schemes in Brunei Darussalam that is internationally recognized, not only to meet the market needs but also in protecting Brunei Darussalam's pristine nature and environment. This is also in-line with His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of

Brunei Darussalam's Titah at the ASEAN-EU Commemorative Summit which focuses on the current pressing challenges namely climate change, biodiversity loss and deforestation, which have contributed to the ongoing extreme weather patterns, loss of potable water, air pollution, and environmental degradation.

4. The session was attend by representatives from different governmental agencies including namely Brunei Climate Change Secretariat, Department of Environment, Parks and Recreation, Forestry Department, Department of Civil Aviation, Department of Land Transport, Royal Brunei Airlines as well as participants from National Aeroplane Operator and Verification Bodies in Brunei and the private sectors.