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Prof. Dato' Dr. Musa Ahmad has been the Vice-Chancellor at Universiti Sains Islam Malaysia (USIM) since August 2014. Prior to his present position Prof. Ahmad was serving as Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic and International) at USIM since May 2010 until August 2014. He served Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) for more than 20 years as an academician and administrator, the latest as Dean of Faculty of Science and Technology (December 2008 – May 2010).

Prof. Ahmad obtained his first degree in Chemistry from UKM with first class honours, and obtained his MSc (Instrumentation & Analytical Science) and PhD (Optical Chemical Sensor) degrees from the University of Manchester, England. As an academician, he has shown an excellent progress in teaching, supervision, publication, research and consultancy. His main research interest is in the field of chemical optical sensing and optical biosensing. His research findings made him won more than 20 awards at R&D exhibition either at national or international levels, which include International Invention Exhibition at Geneva, Switzerland; World Exhibition of Innovation, Brussels, Belgium and INSPEX Invention in Cleaning Products/Equipment, Pittsburg, USA. Some of these products have been highlighted at local newspapers and TV stations. To date, over 200 articles of Prof. Ahmad have been published in the form of books, journal papers and conference proceedings.

**Panel Discussion – 3: Sharing of Knowledge and Fostering Collaboration**