

Speech Summary: Malaysia-Africa Collaboration

The speaker, an alumnus of IIUM and CEO of the Waqf Commission Kenya, addresses a forum on November 24, 2025, emphasizing the growing partnership between Malaysia and Africa, rooted in shared values and respect.

Here are the key areas of discussion and collaboration highlighted:

1. Waqf Development and Sustainability: The speaker, in their role as CEO of the Waqf Commission Kenya, collaborated to expand the Qur'an Translation Program for wider accessibility and spiritual growth.

2. Humanitarian and Development:

Highlighting the Waqf Gaza City Project championed by Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim, demonstrating Malaysia's commitment to humanitarian relief, Islamic solidarity, and sustainable community empowerment (immediate aid and long-term empowerment).

3. Youth Development in Line with Madani Concept:

Educational Ties: Championing a mentorship program to connect young Africans to higher education opportunities in Malaysia (medicine, engineering, IT, Islamic studies). These students return as ambassadors to strengthen Malaysia-Africa educational ties.

Appeal for Support: An appeal to the Malaysian government to expand scholarships, special programs, or university partnerships to uplift individuals and deepen long-term diplomatic, educational, and economic ties.

Future Collaboration: Collaboration can extend beyond education into halal industry development, Islamic finance, renewable energy, agriculture, digital technology, and youth entrepreneurship.

The speech concludes with a call for collective solutions and visionary leadership and a commitment to strengthening the bridge between Malaysia and the African continent, guided by Madani principles to build a compassionate, inclusive, and prosperous future for all.