

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

ICIS 2026

The 11th International Conference on International Studies convenes at a moment when great-power rivalry, unilateralism, and expansionism are reshaping world order, from the war in Ukraine, Iran and the U.S.–China “dual-hegemon” competition to the humanitarian catastrophe in Gaza and a United Nations marginalised by “multipolarity without multilateralism.”

As the paradigm of conflict shifts from conventional war to contests of trade, technology, capital, and smart power, ICIS 2026 asks how international politics and the global economy can be governed to promote geopolitical, geostrategic, and geoeconomic stability, and whether an exploitative system can transform toward a more collaborative, inclusive direction.

WHY JOIN ICIS 2026

- Share research with local & international scholars, practitioners, and graduate students
- Indexed publications, high-quality edited volumes & peer-reviewed proceedings
- High-level academic networking & international research collaboration

Could the current global political-economic system transform towards a more collaborative and inclusive direction? Join the debate.

11th

EDITION

2

DAYS

12

PARALLEL
SESSIONS

2

WORKSHOPS

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IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract submission	14 August 2026
Notification of acceptance	20 August 2026
Full paper submission	14 October 2026



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THE 11TH INTERNATIONAL
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ICIS 2026



2nd & 3rd December 2026
WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY



School of International Studies
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Organized by the **School of International Studies**, UUM-COLGIS,
Universiti Utara Malaysia

MAIN THEME

"Shifting Geopolitics, Rising Power and the Return of Walls: De-Globalisation or Re-Globalisation?"



WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Presenters — open to all interested individuals, groups, agencies and organizations, for individual papers or panel discussions.

Participants — scholars, researchers, practitioners, students, and co-researchers / co-authors. Graduate research students are encouraged to present in dedicated Graduate Students panels.

CALL FOR PAPERS

SUB-THEMES & TRACKS

We welcome papers, panels and posters across a broad range of disciplinary and thematic areas, including but not limited to:

DISCIPLINARY TRACKS

- Politics & Government
- International Relations
- International Law
- International Political Economy
- International Business
- Comparative Politics
- Security & Defence Studies
- Diplomacy & Foreign Policy
- Peace Studies & Conflict Transformation
- Non-Traditional Security
- International & Regional Organisations
- Global Management
- FDI & International Trade
- International Supply Chain & Logistics
- Corporate & Business Law
- Environment & Sustainability
- International Entrepreneurship
- Cross-Cultural Management
- Multinational Corporations

...plus regional studies (Middle East, African, Asian, European, North & Latin American, Pacific) and more.

PUBLICATION OPPORTUNITIES

Papers will be published in **ICIS2026 e-Proceeding**, and selected papers may be considered for publication in **Scopus-indexed** journals:

- JIS** Journal of International Studies (Malaysia)
- MJIR** Malaysian Journal of International Relations
- JAS** Journal of ASEAN Studies

and other peer reviewed journals.

REGISTRATION

CONFERENCE FEES

PRESENTERS	MYR / USD
Local	MYR 550
International	USD 200
Malaysian Student	MYR 300
Foreign Student	USD 100
UUM Staff	MYR 350
LISTENING PARTICIPANTS	MYR / USD
Local	MYR 350
International	USD 100
Malaysian Student	MYR 250
Foreign Student	USD 80
UUM Staff	MYR 300
> Abstracts, full papers & presentations must be in English . > Live online presentation & participation available.	

PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE (TENTATIVE)

DAY 1	WED • 2 DECEMBER 2026
9.30 AM	Arrival of Participants and VIPs
10.30 AM	Welcoming speech — Vice-Chancellor UUM Opening address
11.15 AM	Keynote 1 & Officiating Ceremony
12.10 PM	Shifting on Geopolitics Forum
1.30 PM	Lunch Break
2.30 PM	Parallel Sessions 1–4
8.00 PM	Conference Dinner
DAY 2	THU • 3 DECEMBER 2026
9.00 AM	Keynote 2
9.00 AM	Parallel Sessions 5–8
12.00 PM	Workshop 1 — Engaging With Your Literature: How AI is able to help you? Lunch Break
1.15 PM	
2.15 PM	Workshop 2 — Research Funding & Grants Guide
3.45 PM	Parallel Sessions 9–12 (incl. online)
5.15 PM	Closing Ceremony