

# SBC to host webinar 'Seagrass Ecology And Diversity' Wednesday

**MIRI:** Sarawak Biodiversity Centre (SBC) will be hosting a webinar on 'Seagrass Ecology and Diversity' 10am this Wednesday (March 16) via Zoom.

Professor Dr Muta Harah Zakaria from Department of Aquaculture, Faculty of Agriculture, Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) will be sharing interesting findings on current seagrass distribution and status, particularly losses and various threats to seagrass in Malaysia.

She will also speak on the significance of seagrass - its ecological function, as source of food and essential reservoir of coastal biodiversity.

For the past 20 years, Muta and her team have been conducting studies on taxonomy and biology, ecology and distribution, utilization, molecular genetics



A poster on the webinar .

and bioprospecting of marine macrophytes and freshwater plants.

She was also involved in

projects on Seagrass Ecology, sub-section Marine Ecology of Aquatic Resources and Environmental Studies of

the Straits of Malacca as well as Third Country Training Programmes on seagrass and mangrove ecology under Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) .

Muta has 200 publications in various journals and serves as a reviewer of journals besides being a member of World Seagrass Association (WSA) and International Society for Southeast Asian Agriculture Science (ISSAAS).

Register via Zoom at <https://shorturl.at/pkX18> . The talk will be streamed live on SBC's official Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/sarawak.biodiversitycentre](http://www.facebook.com/sarawak.biodiversitycentre).

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