



**Dr Norman Kamarudin**

**Offering freelance advice on oil palm management for higher yields, through:**

- **Effective pollination and control of pests and diseases**
- **Sustainable practices - MSPO, SYP (Site Yield Potential)**

**Offering lectures on:**

- **OP Pests and Diseases management**
- **Effective Scientific Writing skills**
- **7 Habits of Highly Effective People**

## Qualifications

- Univ. Kebangsaan Malaysia, (Ph.D., 2001 Entomology),
- Imperial College, London (M.Sc., 1994 Applied Entomology)
- Imperial College, London (Diploma, 1993)
- Univ. Kebangsaan Malaysia (B.Sc.Hons, 1986 Zoology)

## Working Experiences

- More than 30 years at MPOB/PORIM in oil palm pest and disease management, agronomy and farm mechanisation
- Published > 150 research papers
- Expertise: Crop Protection
- Chairman of MPOB-Oil Palm Industry Committees on Agronomy, Ganoderma and National Oil Palm Biosecurity, etc
- Presented in scientific conferences in 10 countries

## Professional Activities/Societies

- President of International Society of Oil Palm Agronomists, ISOPA (2012-2019)
- Vice President of Entomological Society of Malaysia (2011-2014)
- External Editor for Journal of Oil Palm Research (2020), Freelance Translator for Translife

Dr Norman Kamarudin began working at PORIM in 1987, after obtaining a BSc (Hons) from the National University of Malaysia (UKM) in 1986. His career began in the Entomology and Mammalia Group, Biology Division at PORIM and later, MPOB.

He was involved and led several important projects: pollinating weevils, oil palm pest control and crop management. He further studied in Imperial College of London (1993-94), obtaining the MSc in Applied Entomology and later pursued his PhD (Entomology) from UKM in 2001. He led the Crop Production and Management Unit, and Agronomy and Mechanization Unit (2003-2011). He was then promoted to Director of Biological Research in 2012 and served until his retirement in 2019. Throughout his career, he was involved in many MPOB-Industry committees, and presented in many international conferences, in 10 countries. He has also published more than 150 research articles.

He was the President of the International Society of Oil Palm Agronomists (ISOPA) from 2012 to 2019. In addition, he is also an active member of the Malaysian Entomology Association (Entoma) and served as Assistant Secretary (1999) and Deputy President (2011-2014). Currently he is the external Editor for the Journal of Oil Palm Research (JOPR) and is active as a freelance translator and editor for Translife. He also provides lectures on Effective Scientific Writing and on the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People.

# International Presentations

1. **Brisbane, Australia.** 2004: XXII International Congress of Entomology,
2. **Jeju Island, Korea.** 2005: 5th Asia Pacific Congress of Entomology,
3. **Durban, South Africa.** 2008: International Conference of Entomology.
4. **Beijing, China.** 2009: Asia Pacific Congress of Entomology (APCE 2009).
5. **Gent, Netherlands.** 2011: 63rd International Symposium on Crop Protection.
6. **Arusha, Tanzania.** 2011.: Joint International Meeting of the Association for Tropical Biology and Conservation and the Society for the Conservation Biology (Africa Section), Africa.
7. **Bursa, Turkey.** 2012: IOBC/WPRS Working Group "Pheromones and other semio-chemicals in integrated production" SEMIO-CHEMICALS: THE ESSENCE OF GREEN PEST CONTROL,
8. **Melbourne, Australia.** 2013: International Chemical Ecology Conference (ICEC 2013).
9. **Palawan, Phillipines.** 2015: Coconut and Oil Palm Summit 2015,
10. **Medan, Indonesia.** 2016: 6th IOPRI-MPOB International Seminar,
11. **Gold Coast, Australia.** 2018: International Congress of Invertebrate Pathology and Microbial Control.
12. **Seville, Spain.** 2019: 17th Euro Fed Lipid Congress.