

Asia Petrochemical Industry Conference 2004

Country Report

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MALAYSIA

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FACTS ON MALAYSIA

TOTAL AREA

330,000 Square Kilometers
(127,000 Square Kilometers)

POLITICAL STRUCTURE

A Federation of 13 states

SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT

Parliamentary Democracy with a Constitutional Monarch

FEDERATION CAPITAL

Kuala Lumpur

ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE

Putrajaya

POPULATION

25 Million

MAJOR ETHNIC GROUPS

Malays, Chinese, Indian, Kadazans and Ibans

MAJOR LANGUAGES

Malay (Official Language), English, Mandarins and Tamil

TIME

GMT + 8 Hours

US Eastern Standard Time + 13 Hours

CLIMATE

Tropical – Warm and Sunny Throughout the Year

Daily Temperatures Ranges from 33°C (90°F) in the afternoon to 22°C (70°F) During the Night

CURRENCY

Ringgit Malaysia (RM) which is divided into 100 sen

EXCHANGE RATE

Pegged at US\$1 = RM3.80 on September 1998

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