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BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN

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BRUNEIAN WOMEN PIVOTAL TO BRUNEI'S MARITIME SECURITY

Three talented Bruneian women will travel to Australia on Friday 9 May to participate in a two-week course as part of the Australian Government-sponsored Women in Maritime Security (WIMS) Program.

Australia strongly supports the women, peace and security agenda and sees the role of women in maritime security as a vital element of promoting a peaceful and prosperous region.

The WIMS program will strengthen links between women in the region working on maritime security, to develop their skills, capabilities, and regional cooperation.

Officials from policy, civil maritime and defence agencies in Australia and Southeast Asian countries will discuss shared maritime challenges and strengthen ongoing cooperation.

Following previous courses in 2023 and 2024, the 2025 course will again be delivered by the world-class Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security (ANCORS).

Classroom sessions will focus on maritime law, security issues, management and leadership.

While in Australia, participants will visit Wollongong, Sydney and Canberra for official meetings, maritime site visits and cultural activities.

Australia and Brunei elevated their bilateral relationship to a Comprehensive Partnership in 2023, under which the two countries agreed to advance practical cooperation in the maritime domain.

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