



ILIA Seminar Series



A NEUROSCIENTIFIC PERSPECTIVE ON PROMOTING ACCOUNTABILITY AND INTEGRITY



“This seminar opened my eyes to the role science can play in tackling corruption. It’s refreshing to approach such a critical issue through an evidence-based perspective,” remarked one participant following the latest instalment of the ILIA Seminar Series. Organised by the Institute for Leadership, Innovation, and Advancement (ILIA) at Universiti Brunei Darussalam (UBD), the event marked International Anti-Corruption Day with a fresh and insightful exploration of corruption through a neuroscientific lens.

Held on 11th December 2024, the seminar, titled “A Neuroscientific Perspective on Promoting Accountability and Integrity”, brought together around 20 participants from various universities and government institutions. Dr Rizki Edmi Edison, Assistant Professor at ILIA, led the session with a captivating discussion on the neurological and behavioural roots of corruption. He demonstrated how brain science can help uncover the mechanisms behind corrupt behaviour, including cognitive biases, risk assessment, and ethical decision-making.

The seminar also provided practical strategies to promote accountability and transparency within organisations. Participants delved into brain-informed approaches to fostering integrity, addressing societal and cultural influences, and aligning with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 16: Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions. Preventive efforts, such as education and community interventions, were highlighted as critical tools for long-term solutions.

Concluding with lively discussions, the session left participants inspired and motivated to apply these insights in their respective fields. ILIA’s Seminar Series continues to offer thought-provoking platforms to address global challenges through innovation and interdisciplinary expertise. Stay tuned for their future events to discover more groundbreaking perspectives.

