

**Rinalia Abdul Rahim**

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Rinalia Abdul Rahim is Founder and Managing Director of Compass Rose Sdn Bhd ([www.compassrose.my](http://www.compassrose.my)). From 2001-2008, she led the Global Knowledge Partnership (GKP) as its Executive Director and successfully positioned GKP as the world's leading multi-sector network in the field of "ICT for Development" and "Knowledge for Development". Prior to the GKP, she supported the Malaysian Government in developing its ICT policies, strategies and programs for nurturing Malaysia's knowledge-based society.

Rinalia has held advisory positions with the United Nations, the World Economic Forum, the Network of Global Action Networks (GAN-Net), the Malaysian Government, the Wawasan Open University, the International Task Force on Women and ICT, and the Youth Social Enterprise Initiative. She holds a Master in Public Policy Degree from Harvard University and a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from Princeton University.

Rinalia is experienced in bringing together stakeholders from the public, private and civil society sectors to explore innovative and collaboration-based solutions to development challenges worldwide. She has successfully established global programs and networks for sharing knowledge, building multistakeholder partnerships, and spreading best practices across thematic clusters involving government agencies, private sector companies, UN agencies, NGOs, academic institutions and media organizations. She has more than 10 years of experience working on issues of access, empowerment and governance in the Information Age and has spoken widely on these issues including at the World Summit on the Information Society (2003 and 2005). She has also conceptualized and moderated many multistakeholder discussion and learning forums at the regional and global levels.