



Ambiga (centre) receives the UN Award 2018 from Liew (left) during the 73rd anniversary celebration of the United Nations in Kuala Lumpur October 23, 2018.

Ambiga honoured by UN at its 73rd anniversary celebration

KUALA LUMPUR: Prominent activist Datuk Ambiga Sreenevasan was conferred with the UN Award 2018 yesterday in recognition of her contribution to UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Ambiga is the co-chair of the Coalition for Free and Fair Elections and was previously chairman of the Bersih 2.0 electoral reforms group.

In March 2009, Ambiga received the US Secretary of State Award for International Women of Courage 2009.

In September 2011 she was conferred the Chevalier de Legion d' Honneur (Knight of the Legion of Honour) by the French government.

She was the president of the Malaysia Bar from March 2007 to March 2009.

Last month, Ambiga was also appointed as the chairman of The Malay Mail Care Fund.

The other recipients of the award yesterday were MyKasih Foundation and National Ozone Unit of the Department of Environment.

Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Liew Vui Keong, who officiated at the event, gave out the awards.

The award honours the outstanding contributions of individuals and organisations that embody the underlying principles of Agenda 2030 in three categories which are human rights and governance, leaving no one behind and environmental sustainability.