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A renowned intellectual and reform politician, Anwar Ibrahim is the architect and leader of Malaysia's opposition coalition. Highly respected for his anti-corruption credentials, as well as managing his country's impressive economic growth period in the 1990s Anwar has always been viewed as a leading proponent of the Asian renaissance; in support of freedom, cultural empowerment and greater inter-civilisation co-operation. The well-travelled intellectual is an ardent supporter of democracy, an authoritative voice in East-West dialogue. He was deputy prime minister between 1993 and 1998, and 8 years as finance minister (1990-1998) while heading several ministers during the preceding 8 years. Anwar served as Chairman of the Development Committee of the World Bank and International Monetary Fund in 1998, and prior to that as President of UNESCO's General Conference. As a student leader, Anwar was founder of Malaysia's Muslim Youth Movement, a pivotal organisation in the altering of Muslim thinking across Malaysia for almost forty years. He has worked extensively with Muslim organisations. He previously held academic positions at Oxford University's St. Anthony's College, John Hopkins University and Georgetown University, and remains a highly sought after speaker at universities and academic institutions worldwide. He sits on the board of directors for the International Institute of Islamic Thought (IIIT). Author of *The Asian Renaissance* he has also been published in various journals and international publications. A World Bank consultant in areas of governance and accountability, Anwar has served previously as chairman of the board for the Foundation for the Future and Honorable President of Accountability.