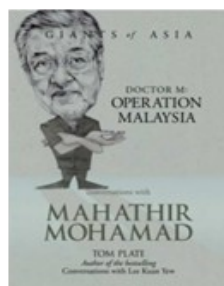
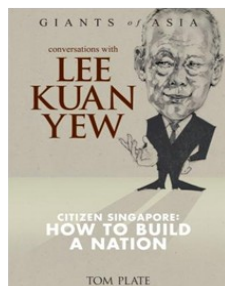


## Giants of Asia: "Conversations With Mahathir Mohamad" (VOL. 2)



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The first in that series - "Conversations With Lee Kuan Yew" - was a bestseller in South-east Asia last year.

"Conversations With Mahathir Mohamad," volume 2 of Giants of Asia series by Prof. Plate, is due in February. The book is based on 8 hours of interview, 4 sessions of two hours each, with Dr. Mahathir Mohamad in either Putrajaya, the administrative capital of Malaysia, or in his office at the top of Petronas Tower number one in Kuala Lumpur, the capital of Malaysia.

Dr. Mahathir, a medical doctor by training and credentialing, has served as the fourth Prime Minister of Malaysia for 22 years from 1981 to 2003.

The Chinese (simplified) edition of book one "Conversations With Lee Kuan Yew" will be available in all Chinese sectors of Asia, including the mainland.