

## **UMP QS 5-Star University to pursue good values, govern**

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Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) one of the local technical universities has many success stories to tell. It is the finest of all the technical universities, as it is the only one that was bestowed the 5-Star Rating by QS. Technical standard to research universities as it was the only one to receive the same as that of the research universities in teaching, research, publication and community services that it has undertaken that be leader of its pack. Many continuous improvement and innovation to its curriculum to meet future challenges which reflects UMP's commitment to excellence.

In calculating a high education standard to produce a high quality and skill graduates (which part of the MDP's vision) UMP has moved from the conventional point of reference to sought new experience from established Institutions. Further assist by a refined Strategic Plan that is value based, strategy focused and result driven. But the challenge in producing capable and competent graduates, it saw the need to instill good values among its stakeholders. Through the Industrial Management (FIM) through the financial assistance from Yayasan Pahang has established the Financial Governance and Integrity Centre (FGIC).

FGIC was established with the preamble of and the belief of doing business ethically. Henceforth, it is necessary to sustain ethical deposition and behavior among its stakeholders (staff, students and administrators) not only for survival is severely tested during times of crisis. This jives well with the aspiration of the new government. The 1MDB scandal was really a test to all Malaysians and it is this defining moments that organizations will be tested on the strength of its belief.

It is on the basis of this belief that UMP feels strongly as academic institution that it should make its presence felt to the nation. So FGIC was established with the intention of cascading good values to the stakeholders through training. To further exert its role in the region and in the country at large, FGIC has established links

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Governance (FGIC) and more recently on the 6th of August it has signed an Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Financial Integrity (MII). One of the by-product of these initiatives is the development of the Anti-Bribery Management System (ABMS) by the Minister's Department and gained enormous publicity through the main stream media.

Although the 5-Star Ranking through QS, MyRA, MyMohes and SETARA, the Financial Accountability Management (FAM) of Malaysia gives a competitive edge to its branding, UMP feels strongly that the governance and integrity of its graduates is a must but UMP would fail if they become dishonest entrepreneurs.

Therefore, educating them with good virtues and values is a must so that they would not act dishonestly or exchange for material and self-comfort of which is detrimental to the nation.

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## **Agreements Exchanged between UMP and Mercedes-Benz**

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) and Mercedes-Benz (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. on October 12, 2018 at Banquet Hall, UMP Gambang Campus.

The MoU outlined collaborations in industrial networking, research, academic development, technical support and funding through industrial funding for dual degree programme.

It would also pave the way for the establishment of smart partnerships in corporate social responsibility projects.

UMP was represented by its Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Sri Ts. Dr. Daing Nasir Ibrahim and Assistant Vice-Chancellor (Industry Network), Professor Dr. Jamil Ismail while Mercedes-Benz (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. by its Deputy Vice-President (Human Resource), Norlida Shariff.

Also present at the event was Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research & Innovation), Professor Dato' Dr. Masriyah Yusoff.

According to Professor Dato' Sri Ts. Dr. Daing Nasir, strategic partnership between the two organizations started in 2013.

The success of the German Engineering Programme that implemented the Fachhochschulei Model through Karlsruhe University of Applied Sciences in 2010 and Reutlingen University in 2014 is a prove that the partnership between the two organizations.

"We are very pleased to know that Mercedes-Benz (M) agrees to fund for Industrial Human Capital Development Programme for students who are currently pursuing their studies in dual degree programme in UMP," he elaborates further.

He hopes for more opportunity can be explore with Mercedes-Benz (M) and other Germany organization to support the globalization.

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## **'Gerobok Rezeki #BPACare' Project launch**

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Concerned with the issue of the students, Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) launched a project called with the Academic Management Division Open Day 2018 (HTBPA) at UMP Gambang Campus on October

The 'Gerobok Rezeki #BPACare' was launched by UMP Chief Operating Officer, Abd. Hamid Majid. Also present were the Academic Management Division, Zainuddin Mat Husin, the Senior Manager of Gambang Campus Administration, H and the General Manager of Finance & Investment, Azlizal Abu Bakar

According to Hamid, the management of UMP welcomes all sorts of feedback from the students in order to with the 5 Star recognition by QS Ranking obtained by this university.

"Hopefully, this initiative will be helpful to the students especially those who are in need.

"It can help cultivate good moral values and the habit of helping one another among UMPians to ensure t and replenished.

"Among the essentials available at the 'Gerobok Rezeki' are foodstuff, stationery, and personal care items,"

The 'Gerobok Rezeki #BPACare', inspired from the 'Gerobok Humanity' project, has the objective of being a programme targeting UMP students with financial difficulties.

Through this project, one shelf was assigned to each BPA offices in Gambang and Pekan to enable the s they needed for free.

This project also in support of the UMP MyGift initiatives to help the students and local community.

BPA also welcomes all UMPians who would like to contribute towards this project. The contribution can b can be delivered to BPA offices in Pekan or Gambang.

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a meantime, BPA has organized an open day at its offices. A lot of activities were offered to visitors such as University Entry and Academic briefing, Convocation Robe tryout, Quizzes, Lucky Draw, Mini Games and Photo Booth.

In addition, the Bursary, the ICT Centre, and the International Office also opening their counters to assist with enquiries.

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