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iMEC-APCOMS 2019 the best platform to exhibit industry and manufacturing engineering research product

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Faculty of Manufacturing and Mechatronics Engineering Technology (FTKPM) has successfully organized the 4th International Manufacturing Engineering Conference (iMEC) 2019 on 21st to 22nd August 2019 at The Everly Hotel, Putrajaya, Malaysia.

For the third time, iMEC is co-organized with 5th Asia-Pacific Conference on Manufacturing System (APCOMS) 2019 which is owned by Faculty of Industrial Technology, Bandung Institute of Technology (ITB), Indonesia.

This is an extended collaboration between UMP and ITB, which is purposely to intensify knowledge sharing and experiences between higher learning institutions in Malaysia and Republic of Indonesia.

This year, the conference brought "Intelligent Engineering & Sustainable Development" as the theme to reflect acceleration of knowledge and technology in global manufacturing towards Industry 4.0.

With aim to become the platform for researchers, academicians, scientists, students, engineers and practitioners around the world to present their latest findings, ideas, developments and applications related specifically to manufacturing engineering and other related research areas, the conference this year has successfully attracted more than 100 local and international participants including Indonesia, Bangladesh and India.

The 4th iMEC 2019 has invited submission of high quality research papers reporting original work on, but not limited to the topics and sub-themes on Material, Manufacturing Processes, Manufacturing Automation and Manufacturing System.

The officiating event was carried out by the Member of UMP's Board of Director, Professor Dato' Ts. Dr. Rosli Mohd Yunus.

The keynote sessions were held by the speech of Professor Ir. Dr. Bermawi P. Iskandar from Bandung Institute of Technology, Indonesia, Mr. Nizmar Mohd Nazar from Malaysia Automotive, Robotics and IoT Institute and Associate Professor Ir. Dr. Ahmad Razlan Yusoff from Faculty of Manufacturing and Mechatronics Engineering Technology.

The organizing committee was also proud with the presence of FTKPM's Industrial Advisory Panel from MIMOS Berhad, Proton Holdings Berhad and Triple EEE Sdn. Bhd. during the opening

ceremony.

This two-days conference has successfully brought together local and international academicians, researchers and industry players for sharing their latest findings, ideas, developments and applications as well as industrial exhibitions related specifically to manufacturing engineering and other related research areas. Participants also enjoyed the sight-seeing tour scheduled by organizing committee.

It is hopes that with the success of this fourth conference, Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) will be one of the best universities known in the field of manufacturing engineering thus creating a strong academic network among researchers in Malaysia and overseas.

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