



## **Announcement of QS World University Rankings 2021**



The QS ranking announced today saw Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) being among the 62% best universities in the QS World University Rankings (WUR) 2021. According to the QS World University Rankings 2022, UMP is in the group of 801-1000, out of 1000 universities and recognised by the QS. The QS WUR 2022 rating evaluates a university based on 6 criteria, namely academic reputation, faculty student, citation per faculty, international faculty and international students. UMP's achievement in the QS WUR 2022 is a testament to its excellence in all per faculty criteria, where UMP is now ranked 560 best in the world while UMP is ranked 449 best in the region.

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**Ts. Dr. Farhan first woman appointed as technical panel member  
Professional Japan Association (MPJA)**



The Halal Assurance and Halal Certification Management System has been recognised globally and has been implemented worldwide.

The development, evaluation and revision towards halal compliance and standard, fatwa, laws and regulations are vital in helping Muslims in Malaysia and the world.

With wide expertise and experience in food technology and biotechnology, the Faculty of Chemical and Process Engineering, Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) lecturer, Ts. Dr. Farhan Mohd Said has been appointed as a technical panel member of the Professional Japan Association (MPJA), Japan and certified by the Department of Islamic Development Malaysia (Majlis Ulu).

She is also the first female technical panel member of fatwa to be appointed by the Majlis Ulu.

MPJA is one of the pioneers of halal information resources in Japan, established to aid in and spread knowledge of the Islamic way of life to Japanese society.

MPJA also carries out halal auditing and certification that comply with international quality standards.

According to MPJA Managing Director Akmal Abu Hassan, the appointment of Ts. Dr. Farhan is right in line with the halal certification, which is seen to start opening the eyes of entrepreneurs and industry.

In addition, Ts. Dr. also successfully became a halal auditor recognised by the Majlis Ulu.

In 2018, Ts. Dr. Farhan, together with a few MPJA auditors, conducted a Halal Audit monitoring visit in the facilities which are an enzyme drink processing plant, Dainichi Seiyaku Co. Ltd. in Gifu, a capital city in Central Japan (slaughterhouse), Zenkai Meat Corporation located in Hitoyoshi, Kumamoto, Japan.

According to Ts. Dr. Farhan, the programme ran smoothly, involving discussions and information exchange between auditors, companies and Fatwa representatives.

She, a JAKIM Halal trainer (TPH), is also invited to attend the online fatwa panel meeting held twice a month via WhatsApp or Zoom amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

Among industries in Japan that applied for halal certification via MPJA are Ajishokuken Co. Ltd., Croda Chemical Co. Ltd., AminoUp Co. Ltd. and Nishiawa Beef Ltd.

MPJA is chaired by Akmal Abu Hassan who is a Malaysian citizen who lives in Japan. He hopes that the MPJA will open the world's eyes to the potential of the halal industry not only in Japan but in the world.

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## UMP research recognised for special awards in Turkey



A lecturer of the Faculty of Computing (FK), Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP), Associate Professor Ts. Dr. Mazlina Abdul Halim has won a special award for the Turkish Inventors and Innovators Network Award category through her research.

She did not expect the conversation with her colleagues on how to address the quarantine issue during the pandemic by producing an app to help monitor the patients or close contacts who are undergoing home surveillance.

In fact, this research has also been considered a major contribution in addressing the Covid-19 pandemic.

Meanwhile, Dr. Diyana Kamarudin from the Faculty of Industrial Management (FPI) won a gold medal and an Association Award and Euro Business-Haller Award category for her research titled Hear Me Assistive Technology During Pandemic.

Another gold medal and special award were won by Ts. Dr. Norazaliza Mohd Jamil from the Centre for Innovation and Entrepreneurship, Malaysian Association of Creativity and Innovation Award category for her research titled A GUI Simulation for the Covid-19 Pandemic.

In addition, a silver medal was bagged by Ts. Dr. Roshahliza M Ramli from the Faculty of Electrical and Electronic Engineering with a research titled SMART Unmanned Ground Vehicle (UGV) for Covid-19 Warmer.

The four UMP lecturers won special awards, three gold medals and one silver medal in the online Malaysia Innovation Edition competition from 14 to 18 June 2021. The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research & Innovation), Professor Dr. Nor Salwana Mohd. Idris, congratulated the four UMP researchers who made the university proud.

“Despite the Covid-19 pandemic, it is not an obstacle for UMP lecturers to share research outcomes in the form of technology through the research creation.

“I believe with this Covid-19 pandemic, researchers will be more likely to engage in research that can help the community.

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