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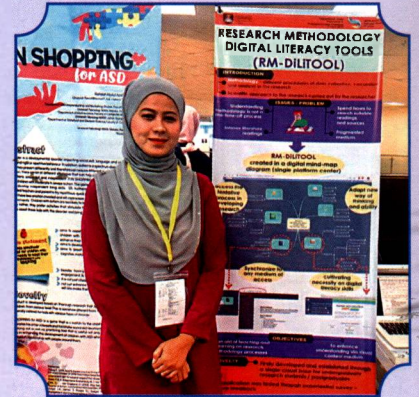




The Invention, Innovation & Design Expo (SIIDEx) 2019 held at the CIDB Convention Centre Kuching on 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2019 was a collaboration between UiTM Sarawak, Sarawak Education Department (JPNS) and Sarawak Multimedia Authority (SMA). SIIDEx was organised as a natural platform to promote and nurture interest in Science and Technology amongst school students in Sarawak. A total of 128 products competed in SIIDEx 2019, under four different categories. These products were judged based on their originality, creativity, functionality, commercial potential and quality of presentation. A number of teams from UiTM Sarawak managed to secure medals under Category C of the competition and some of the recipients are listed as follows:

Medal	Product	Members
Silver	Master Builder Board Game	Noor Syafiqah binti Mohd Sabri, Hemyza binti Budin, Ts Sr Wan Mohd Nurdden Wan Muhammad, Dr. Siti Akhtar Mahayuddin.
Bronze	i-PWD (Integrated-Public Work Department)	Ku Mohammad Asyraf bin Ku Azir, Sr Mohd Khairul Fitri bin Othman, Sr Ts Wan Mohd Nurdden bin Wan Muhammad

The closing ceremony was presided over by The Right Honourable Datuk Patinggi (Dr) Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari Bin Tun Abang Haji Openg, Chief Minister of Sarawak. Also present during the ceremony were Professor Dato Dr Jamil Bin Haji Hamali, Rector of UiTM Sarawak, and Dato Seri Michael Manyin Ak Jawong, Minister of Education Science and Technology Sarawak (MESTR).



In a similar event, a team from the Faculty of Quantity Surveying UiTM was awarded Silver medal in the International Tinker Innovation Entrepreneurship Challenges (i-TIEC) 2019 in Johor recently. The team consisting of Sr Dr Husrul Nizam Husin, Sr Dr Natasha Khalil (UiTM Perak), Sr Dr Asmah Alia Mohamad Bohari (UiTM Sarawak), and Dr Suliahti Hashim (UiTM Shah Alam) came up with a product called Research Methodology Digital Literacy Tools (RM-DiLiTOOL) to enhance students' learning experience in subjects related to research methodology especially for beginners. Congratulations to all winners.

## PENGANUGERAHAN TOKOH MAAL HIJRAH PADA REKTOR UiTM SARAWAK

Oleh: Unit Korporat

Rektor Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) Cawangan Sarawak, Dato' Profesor Dr Jamil Haji Hamali, mengetuai senarai penerima anugerah pada sambutan Maal Hijrah 1441H/2019M peringkat negeri Sarawak yang telah berlangsung pada 1 September 2019 di Dewan Suarrah, Sri Aman. Beliau menerima Anugerah Kepimpinan Organisasi dan hadiah wang tunai sebanyak RM10,000 berserta sijil daripada Yang di-Pertua Negeri, Tun Pehin Sri Haji Abdul Taib Mahmud. Turut hadir pada majlis itu ialah Timbalan Ketua Menteri, Datuk Amar Awang Tengah Ali Hassan, dan Speaker Dewan Undangan Negeri (DUN), YB Datuk Amar Mohamad Asfia Awang Nassar.



## GENSERAI BUNGA SAGO ECO BEADS

By : Associate Professor Dr. Margaret Chan

Genserai Bungai was commissioned to produce a souvenir for the Guest of Honour of the 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Education in the Digital Ecosystem held in Kuching. It was made of three sago fibre ceramic panels with backdrop of the conference information, the Digital Economy Sarawak Map and the partners of the ERASMUS+ CBHE BLteae projects assembled together and encased in a glass box. It was a feat successfully done.

Genserai Bungai Ecobeads were gifted to Dr Kinley from Samtse College, Royal University of Bhutan when he visited UiTM Sarawak in August. His grandmother strung the beads into a necklace designed by herself with Bhutanese fashion.

Genserai Bungai was invited to participate in the Borneo International Beads Conference 2019 held on the 3 – 6 October 2019 at Waterfront hotel organized by the CraftHub Sdn. Bhd. Associate Professor Dr. Margaret Chan was invited as a Speaker at BIBCO 2019. She presented a joint paper by her with Susanna Williams and Dr. Wan Samiati Andriana on 'Nothing is wasted – making beads from sago processing residue'. During the conference, Susanna Williams and Dr. Margaret also conducted a Hands-on Workshop on 'Working with Sago Fibre Clay to produce ceramic beads'. Genserai Bungai also took part in the sales/exhibition area Beads Abuzz at Merdeka Plaza, Kuching. It was an opportunity to meet beads makers, enthusiast and fashion designers during the conference.



Presentation to the Guest of Honour, the Honourable Minister of Education, Science and Technological Research Minister Dato Sri Michael Manyin by Rector, Prof. Dato Dr. Jamil Hamali





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