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Rector's Remark

Professor Dr. Firdaus Abdullah
Rector
UiTM Sarawak Branch

Warm greetings to all our readers,

As we turn the page to this new issue, I am pleased to welcome you not only to another chapter of our university's story, but also to a refreshed identity for our campus bulletin. What you now hold in your hands is Varsity Edge, a reimagined platform that serves as a meaningful evolution, yet continues the spirit of Infokampus (its former name). This bulletin offers a fresher, more grounded lens through which we view UiTM Cawangan Sarawak.

In the previous issue, we reflected deeply on resilience, partnerships, and transformation lessons shaped by the pandemic years and guided by our aspirations towards 2030. This issue continues that journey. However, it does so with a renewed voice, one that speaks closer to the heart of UiTM Cawangan Sarawak and the campus community.

The decision to rebrand Infokampus was not taken lightly. For many years, Infokampus faithfully chronicled our milestones, achievements, and aspirations as a university. It served as an official and trusted platform documenting our institutional growth. Yet, as UiTM Cawangan Sarawak continues to evolve, so too must the way we tell our story.

Varsity Edge reflects a more personal, authentic, and inclusive narrative. It represents a renewed way of seeing, thinking, and engaging that goes beyond merely reporting achievements to sharing perspectives, from institutional announcements to human stories, and from top-down communication to a shared conversation. This new name embodies our identity that is grounded, inclusive, and community-oriented. It reminds us that UiTM Sarawak is not an isolated institution, but one that grows with and within its community. Through this lens, every lecturer, student, staff member, alumnus, and partner becomes part of the narrative.

While the name has changed, our values and direction remain firmly anchored. As highlighted in the previous issue, UiTM Sarawak continues to align itself with the national agenda under the Post-COVID Development Strategy 2030, as well as the global aspirations of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). We remain steadfast in our mission to prepare graduates who are not only academically competent but also resilient, ethical, and socially responsible. The post-pandemic era has taught us that adaptability, collaboration, and empathy are no longer optional; they are essential attributes for future leaders.

Our efforts to strengthen teaching and learning, enhance digital capabilities, and expand industry and community partnerships continue to gain momentum. These initiatives are not standalone efforts; they are interconnected strategies designed to ensure that UiTM Sarawak remains relevant, competitive, and impactful in a rapidly changing world. In pursuing this, partnerships remain central to our growth. In line with SDG 17, UiTM Sarawak continues to foster strong collaborations with the Sarawak Government,

industries, community organisations, and international institutions. These partnerships have enabled us to contribute meaningfully to areas such as digital economy development, smart agriculture, community empowerment, and talent cultivation. More importantly, they have created pathways for our students and staff to engage beyond the classroom in applying knowledge, transferring skills, and co-creating solutions with real impact.

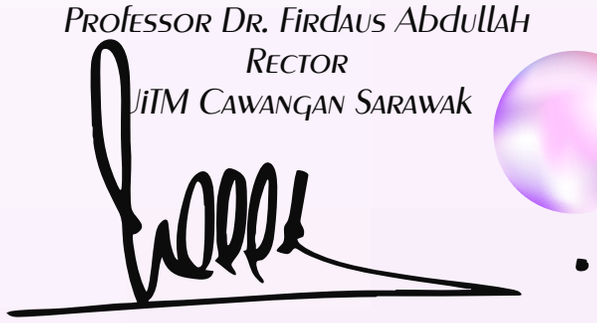
This new platform also reflects our belief that a university's strength lies in its people. Behind every award, accreditation, or recognition are individuals who work quietly and consistently to make excellence possible. Our academic staff continue to demonstrate dedication in teaching, research, and innovation. Our professional and support staff ensure that operations run smoothly, often behind the scenes. Our students bring energy, creativity, and purpose, thus challenging us to remain responsive and forward-looking. Our alumni and partners extend our impact beyond campus boundaries, carrying the UiTM Sarawak name with pride. Indeed, Varsity Edge provides space for these voices to be heard. It is a platform where achievements are celebrated, challenges are acknowledged, and lessons are shared openly.

As we step into 2026, we will further strengthen our strategic direction through ten new initiatives highlighted in the "Amant Rektor 2026" that will guide our collective efforts. We will intensify our commitment towards building a Green and Sustainable Campus while ensuring the mental health and overall well-being of our community remain a priority. We will develop a comprehensive social entrepreneurship ecosystem to empower innovation with impact, and continue to elevate excellence in sports, arts, and culture as part of holistic education. At the same time, we aim to expand international faculty engagement and nurture academic personalities who serve as media icons and thought leaders, strengthening our global visibility and distinction. Also, investments in sustainable infrastructure will support resilient and technology-integrated learning environments, alongside the establishment and reinforcement of Centres of Excellence focusing on future skills and strategic niche areas. Above all, we will continue embedding the principles of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG), Education for Sustainable Development (ESD), and Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) practices into our governance, curriculum, and operations to ensure that UiTM Sarawak grows responsibly and purposefully.

As UiTM Sarawak moves forward, Varsity Edge will serve as a mirror that reflects who we are, and a window that looks outward to who we aspire to become. The years ahead will continue to challenge us, but they will also offer opportunities for innovation, collaboration, and growth. With a clear strategic direction, strong partnerships, and a committed community, I am confident that UiTM Sarawak will continue to thrive as a university that is globally aware, locally rooted, and people-centred. Together, let us continue to move forward with purpose, guided by values, strengthened by partnerships, and inspired by the communities we serve.

Thank you and may our journey ahead be one of continued growth, unity, and positive impact.

warm regards,
Professor Dr. Firdaus Abdullah
Rector
UiTM Cawangan Sarawak





Message from Editor-in-Chief

Assalamualaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh and greetings.

Praise be to Allah SWT, by whose grace and mercy the official bulletin of UiTM Sarawak Branch is successfully published. The release of this edition marks a significant new chapter in the university's communication and information-sharing landscape with the rebranding of the bulletin from Info Kampus to Varsity Edge UiTM Sarawak Bulletin.

This rebranding represents more than a change in name and appearance; it reflects a renewed aspiration that is fresher, more dynamic, and inclusive. Varsity Edge is envisioned as a progressive platform to highlight academic achievements, research, innovation, student activities, as well as the contributions of the UiTM Sarawak Branch community to society and the nation. This initiative is also aligned with the university's aspiration to strengthen its institutional image as a centre of academic excellence that remains relevant to contemporary needs.

As the Editor-in-Chief, I would like to extend my deepest appreciation and gratitude to the entire editorial team, contributors, and the UiTM Sarawak Branch community for their continuous support in making this publication a reality. It is our hope that Varsity Edge will serve as an effective communication medium, a source of inspiration, and a meaningful platform for knowledge sharing for all readers.

In closing, we sincerely hope that this bulletin will continue to remain relevant and gain a special place in the hearts of the university community and the public at large.

Thank you.

FARHANA BINTI GHAZUDDIN
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BLOCKCHAIN BORNEO CONFERENCE 2025 HIGHLIGHTS DIGITAL INNOVATION FOR SARAWAK

Source: UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page



Alhamdulillah, this morning I had the privilege of attending the opening ceremony of the Blockchain Borneo Conference (BBC) 2025, held at the Borneo Cultures Museum, Kuching. The event was officiated by YB Datuk Amar Professor Dr. Sim Kui Hian, Deputy Premier of Sarawak, who also delivered a keynote address emphasising the importance of blockchain technology in advancing Sarawak's digital economy.

BBC 2025 is organised by the Kuching Blockchain Technology Association (KBTA) with the support of various agencies, including the Sarawak Multimedia Authority (SMA), Business Events Sarawak (BESarawak), Sarawak Digital Economy Corporation (SDEC), Tabung Gagasan Ekonomi Sarawak (TEGAS), Malaysia Digital Economy Corporation (MDEC), Sarawak Biodiversity Centre (SBC), and the Human Resource Development Corporation (HRDC). The conference serves as a vital platform to drive innovation and foster collaboration in blockchain technology within Sarawak.

In support of this initiative, UiTMCS sent more than 100 students from various academic disciplines to participate in the two-day conference.

During the same event, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signing ceremony was also held between UiTMCS and Metadise Sdn. Bhd. (Metadise), witnessed by YB Datuk Amar Professor Dr. Sim Kui Hian. UiTMCS was represented by me, while Metadise was represented by Mr. Dylan Ang, Chief Operating Officer of Metadise.

Through this MoU, UiTMCS was entrusted and awarded a grant of RM19,500 from the Ministry of Youth and Sports (KBS) to organise the Rev It Up! e-Sports Carnival, which is expected to take place in December 2025 at UiTM Cawangan Sarawak.

The carnival will feature a variety of activities, including e-sports tournaments for Mobile Legends: Bang Bang (MLBB), PUBG, EAFC, and Sim Racing, as well as an e-sports workshop and technology and hobby exhibition. UiTMCS will also collaborate closely with Metadise in organising the Sim Racing and e-sports workshop components.

Looking ahead, UiTMCS plans to expand the Rev It Up! carnival to the national level, inviting top-ranked teams from the Malaysian e-sports scene to compete in the event.

To all e-sports enthusiasts, stay tuned for more updates on the Rev It Up! e-Sports Carnival!

#uitmsarawak #metadise #esports #REVitup



STRENGTHENING INSTITUTIONAL TIES WITH SARAWAK STATE SECRETARIAT

Source: UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page



A courtesy visit was held with the Right Honourable Datuk Amar Haji Mohamad Abu Bakar bin Marzuki, the State Secretary of Sarawak, at the Office of the State Secretary of Sarawak, Level 20, Wisma Bapa Malaysia, Petra Jaya.

The visit provided an opportunity to strengthen institutional relations and explore strategic cooperation in support of Sarawak's state development agenda.

We extend our highest appreciation and sincere gratitude to YB Datuk Amar for graciously receiving this courtesy visit.

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#WismaBapaMalaysia #Sarawak #KerjasamaStrategik

UiTM SARAWAK RECEIVES SILVER AWARD AT AKPANS 2025

Source: UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page



Alhamdulillah, Tabarakallah.

I had the honour of attending and representing UiTM Sarawak Branch to receive the Silver Award – Federal Statutory Body Category at the Sarawak State Public Service Quality Awards 2025 (AKPANS).

The award was presented by YB Datuk Amar Haji Mohamad Abu Bakar bin Marzuki, Secretary of the Sarawak Government, during the Sarawak Public Service Appreciation Day 2025 at the Riverside Majestic Hotel, Kuching. The event followed the Sarawak Public Service Day 2025 celebration held at the Borneo Convention Centre Kuching on 20 November 2025.

The moment was further shared with YBhg. Tan Sri Dato' Sri Haji Mohd Khamil bin Jamil, Chairman of the UiTM Board of Directors, and YBhg. Prof. Datuk Ts. Dr. Shahrin bin Sahib @ Sahibuddin, FASc, Vice-Chancellor of Universiti Teknologi MARA, upon their arrival at Kuching International Airport. Their visit was in conjunction with the 103rd UiTM Convocation Ceremony at UiTM Sarawak and a working visit to the Mukah Campus.

This award reflects the strong commitment and consistent efforts of all members of UiTM Sarawak. It is the result of teamwork, shared responsibility, and continuous improvement across the branch.

Heartfelt appreciation and thanks are extended to everyone at UiTM Sarawak for your dedication and hard work. May we continue to work together and strive for better outcomes in the years ahead.

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VISI

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MISI

Melonjak keilmuan, adab dan kepakaran bumiputera agar berjiwa usahawan melalui kurikulum termaju, pembangunan bakat, penyelidikan berimpak, dan sinergi industri ke arah kemakmuran tanah air serta kesejahteraan sejagat

MOTO

Usaha, Takwa, Mulia

FALSAFAH

Kita percaya Allah SWT menganugerahi manusia dengan bakat, minat dan kecenderungan yang sekiranya diasuh, dididik dan dilatih dengan sempurna melalui penjanaan, pemindahan dan pengintegrasian ilmu secara terbuka serta penerapan nilai-nilai Islam, mereka berkemampuan menjuarai transformasi diri, masyarakat dan negara

OBJEKTIF

1. **Memperluas akses pendidikan tinggi**
2. **Menyediakan pendidikan terkehadapan bertaraf dunia**
3. **Menawarkan program akademik yang memenuhi keperluan industri yang sentiasa berubah untuk kemajuan negara dan kemakmuran global**
4. **Menggilap kepimpinan graduan holistik, serba boleh dan berciri keusahawanan yang kompetitif sehingga ke peringkat global**
5. **Memperkasa penghayatan falsafah dan nilai warga UiTM melalui program pengukuhan insan dan suri teladan**
6. **Mengungguli kesarjanaan ilmu terkehadapan melalui penyelidikan, inovasi dan pengkomersialan berimpak tinggi serta lestari**
7. **Melebar luas jaringan melalui sinergi bersama alumni, industri, akademia, komuniti dan kerajaan untuk memperkasakan bidang tumpuan strategik universiti**
8. **Menjuarai kecemerlangan organisasi melalui tadbir urus yang efektif dan efisien selari dengan agenda kelestarian global**
9. **Menyediakan infrastruktur kondusif dan ekosistem digital terkehadapan**
10. **Menjana pendapatan, mengurus sumber dan kewangan dengan cekap, telus, berintegriti dan efektif bagi kelestarian organisasi**

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(YBhg. Prof. Datuk Ts. Dr. Shahrin Sahib @ Sahibuddin, FASc)
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