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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.

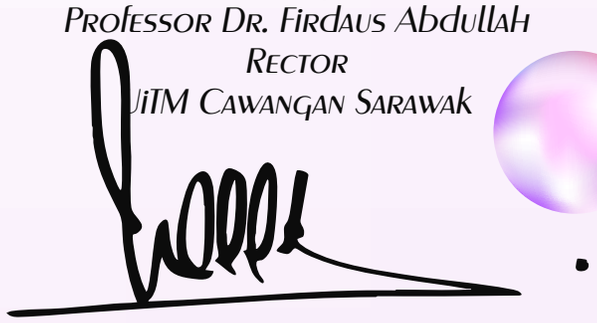
This new platform also reflects our belief that a university's strength lies in its people. Behind every award, accreditation, or recognition are individuals who work quietly and consistently to make excellence possible. Our academic staff continue to demonstrate dedication in teaching, research, and 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
Editor-in-Chief
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UiTMCS WELCOMES FACULTY OF TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT AND BUSINESS (FPTP), UNIVERSITI TUN HUSSEIN ONN MALAYSIA (UTHM) TO EXPLORE RESEARCH AND CURRICULUM INITIATIVES

Source: UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page



12 August 2025 (Tuesday) | Alhamdulillah, yesterday afternoon I received a courtesy visit from the Faculty of Technology Management and Business (FPTP), Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia (UTHM), held at my office at Samarahan 2 Campus, in conjunction with UTHM's delegation visit to the Faculty of Architecture, Planning and Surveying (FAB), UiTM Sarawak Branch.

The delegation was led by Associate Professor Dr. Shafie Mohamed Zabri, Dean of FPTP UTHM, accompanied by Associate Professor Ts. Dr. Sulzakimin Hj. Mohamed, Head of the Department of Construction Management; Ts. Dr. Norliana Sarpin, Head of the Postgraduate Department; Ts. Dr. Mohd Hilmi Izwan Abd Rahim, Subject Matter Expert; and Sr Zailawati Khalid, Head of the MSc Construction Technology Management Programme. Accompanying me during the visit were Sr. Dr. Hjh. Noraziah Wahi, Head of the Centre for Studies for Fine Art, Design, Architecture, Planning and Surveying, and Ts. Hemyza Budin, FAB Building Technology Coordinator.

This was a reciprocal visit following FAB UiTM Sarawak Branch's visit to UTHM several years ago. This visit programme is part of both parties' initiatives to further strengthen academic relations between public higher education institutions in Malaysia, particularly in the field of Construction Management. It also serves as a strategic platform for knowledge sharing, technology transfer, and discussions on curriculum development, research, and industry networking. In addition, both sides explored potential collaborations in research as well as staff and student mobility.

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BUILDING RESILIENT PUBLIC HEALTH THROUGH COMMUNITY SERVICE AT ICEPH-CS 2025

Source: UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page



20 August 2025 (Wednesday)| Alhamdulillah, I had the opportunity to represent the Vice-Chancellor of UiTM, Prof. Datuk Ts. Dr. Shahrin bin Sahib @ Sahibuddin, FASc, officiated the dinner reception for the 1st International Conference, Exhibition & Innovation on Public Health and International Community Services (ICEPH-CS 2025), held at the Waterfront Hotel, Kuching, last night.

The ICEPH-CS 2025 conference was organised by the Faculty of Health Sciences at Universiti Teknologi MARA's Penang branch, in collaboration with Universitas Airlangga in Surabaya, East Java, Indonesia; Universitas Muhammadiyah in Malang; and Universitas Muhammadiyah in Surakarta, Indonesia. The event was also supported by Business Events Sarawak (BESARAWAK).

This inaugural conference was well-received, with participants attending from the United Kingdom, Indonesia, France, Algeria, the Netherlands, Saudi Arabia, Australia, and Iraq. This conference was truly special as it not only highlighted academic excellence but also reached a wider audience.

With the theme "Building Resilient Public Health through Community Service," the conference reflects the shared belief that health is a responsibility we must all bear together.

I had the privilege of presenting awards to the winners for categories such as best presenter, best poster, and most innovative, among others. These awards are not just accolades; they are a reflection of the dedication, creativity, and courage to innovate.

My most profound appreciation goes out to everyone who was involved, directly or indirectly, in making this conference a resounding success.

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UiTMCS EMBRACES TRANSFORMATION AND ASPIRATIONS FOR UiTM2030

Source: UiTM Sarawak Rector's Facebook Page



20 August 2025 (Wednesday)| Alhamdulillah, this morning I had the opportunity to attend the "Siri Menelusuri Kampus UiTM, Resonansi UiTM2030: Satu Kampus, Seribu Aspirasi" programme with YBrs. Prof. Ts. Dr. Nor Hayati Saad, Assistant Vice-Chancellor (Strategic) of Universiti Teknologi MARA. The programme was held at the FSG Auditorium, UiTMCS Samarahan 2 Campus.

The session was also attended by a delegation from the University Transformation Division (TRU), including Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mohamad Faizul Yahya, Director of the University Transformation Office; Assoc. Prof. Ts. Dr. Mahanijah Md Kamal, Head of Institutional Research; and Pn. Hasyimah Abdul Rahim, Assistant Registrar of TRU. Also present were members of the UiTMCS Executive Committee (JKEN), Dr. Fareiny Morni, Head of the Strategic Planning Unit, and other members of the UiTMCS community.

Before the sharing session with Prof. Nor Hayati, I was entrusted with presenting UiTM Sarawak's achievements, covering the UiTM 2025 Impact Analysis, The Challenges of Achieving the UiTM 2025 Goals, and the Campus Aspirations for the UiTM 2030 Strategic Plan.

This was a highly valuable sharing session, as all UiTMCS staff, both academic and administrative, were able to hear firsthand about the plans and challenges we face as we move toward 2030.

Indeed, UiTMCS's transformation agenda is progressing in line with the goals of the main UiTM campus. During the 2025 Rector's Mandate session, I emphasised the importance of transformation and introduced several Rector's Special Transformation Project Agendas. We are currently in the implementation and monitoring phase, having already completed several of these special projects.

I hope that more sharing programmes like this can be held in the future, so that staff at the branch campuses fully understand their role in making the UiTM 2030 Strategic Plan a success.

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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

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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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