

## OPENING REMARKS

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**Signing Ceremony  
Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)  
between  
Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM)  
and  
East Kazakhstan Technical University (EKTU)**

**21 August 2023**

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**Distinguished guests, ladies, and gentlemen**

**Salutations**

**(to be confirmed by the organiser on the day of the event)**

***Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh.***  
***Salam Sejahtera and good morning.***

- 1) *Alhamdulillah*, praise be to Allah S.W.T for His blessings which made it possible for us to gather here today to witness the beginning of a momentous collaboration.
  
- 2) A warm welcome and *Selamat Datang* to all eminent guests. It is an honour to join you today for the signing of the **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) and the East Kazakhstan Technical University (EKTU).**
  
- 3) Allow me to express my sincere appreciation to **Prof. Rakhmetullina Saule, Chairman of the Board-Rector of EKTU** for the partnership that will be sealed today - almost a year after our first meeting on 14th October last year.

- 4) My thanks and appreciation also to the **College of Engineering of UiTM** and everyone else involved in materialising this important partnership.

**Ladies and Gentlemen,**

- 5) Over the years, UiTM has formed meaningful partnerships with various institutions of higher learning to ultimately benefit both students and academicians.
- 6) The signing of the MoU today corroborates the strong support and commitments of both parties in expanding and strengthening research and academic capabilities, not only in the area of engineering but in other areas of interest, too.
- 7) Thus, we are very excited and look forward to the wonderful possibilities that can be derived from this collaboration with **EKTU**.

## **Ladies and Gentlemen,**

- 8) UiTM currently offers **522 academic programmes** nationwide at all levels from **Business and Management, Social Sciences and Humanities** to **Science and Technology**.
- 9) We are located on **34 campuses** which are home to more than **160,000 students**.
- 10) Our reputation as a comprehensive university can facilitate the implementation of a wide range of activities across many disciplines.
- 11) The platform created by this MoU can indeed further enhance the interchange of ideas between our two institutions which will subsequently allow more opportunities for the academic staff to demonstrate their expertise and essentially extend it to a wider community and bringing forth long-term benefits to both parties.

- 12) Hence, I am optimistic that this collaboration would benefit our academic community – the staff and students alike – in line with the aspiration to be **Globally Marketable**.
  
- 13) Most importantly, I hope that these upcoming academic programmes and activities would encourage our students to learn and think in an interdisciplinary manner and develop curious minds that would lead to ingenious and unconventional ideas.

**Ladies and Gentlemen,**

- 14) The challenges that we face in the world today propel us to move forward and look for innovative solutions that are in harmony with our aims and goals.

- 15) I believe this new partnership will allow our institutions to work on our vision together in becoming a **Globally Renowned University** for UiTM and enhancing EKTU as a world-class research technical university.
- 16) Let us join hands and create impactful synergies and explore new areas and ideas that would benefit our institutions and nations.
- 17) Once again, thank you to the organiser and committees for making this event possible, and especially to the **East Kazakhstan Technical University** for embarking on this endeavour with UiTM.
- 18) My heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to everyone and I look forward to an extensive and fruitful alliance between our institutions.

**Thank you.**

**Wabillahi Taufiq Walhidayah Wassalamualaikum**

**Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh.**