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## UNDERGRADUATES NEED TO BE PREPARED TO FACE GLOBALISATION

niversiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) Chancellor, Tengku Abdullah Sultan Ahmad Shah advised graduates to be better prepared in facing globalisation that was full of challenges.

He said intelligence alone would not serve as an easy ticket to gain employment as the current trend required competency and excellence as added values and inputs much sought after by employers.

"In playing its role, the university needs to get ready through the UMP Strategic Plan 2011-2015 that has set a target of producing professional graduates who fit the bill as required by the country's workforce.

"The university offers competitive engineering and technology programmes. Collaborations with international universities also meet the demands of clients because the programmes reflected the relevance of the industries' requirements.

"Graduates will acquire a more holistic approach as they are exposed to knowledge and skills from experts and got to utilise sophisticated and the latest learning tools," he said during UMP's Sixth Convocation at the Sports Complex Hall on October 1, 2011.

He also said strategic alliances with the industries helped to create opportunities for graduates to be trained with the right skills.

UMP Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Dr Daing Nasir Ibrahim said the university was in the midst of strengthening the academic programmes, infrastructure and its talent recruitment in order to realise its vision of becoming world-class technology university.

As such, the recent establishment of Technology Faculty would focus on elements in management science, engineering technology, soft technology and new opportunities in emergent and futuristic field's, he said.

"UMP will continue to make the efforts to create innovative teaching and academic programmes through strategic understanding achieved with its international partners", he added.

The convocation also witnessed 13 recipients who received excellence and