



ICMER DISCUSSES ISSUES IN MECHANICAL AND AUTOMOTIVE ENGINEERING

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Some 100 participants took part in a recent International Conference in Mechanical Engineering Research (ICMER) organized by Faculty of Mechanical Engineering (FKM) and Automotive Engineering Centre (EAC) here recently.

Among them were 24 participants from Australia, India, Bangladesh, Iran, Iraq, Mexico and Indonesia and they had gathered to share their expertise in mechanical and automotive field.

According to Universiti Malaysia Pahang Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Dr Daing Nasir Ibrahim, the conference was a platform for the academicians, researchers, engineers and undergraduates to share ideas and experience in the engineering-based topics.

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"In fact, the event suits best the focus of this university, which is on mechanical engineering, automotive engineering and

manufacturing," he said.

Dato' Dr Daing also said he was convinced that with the right approach, added initiatives and together with a dynamic leadership, MFE and EAC would be able to play a crucial role in strengthening the field so expertise developed could enjoyed together with the community.

"It is line with the context in the implementation of UMP Strategic Plan 2011-2015. Its key result areas also comprised strategic alignment for branding, be it at the national or international level," he said when in his speech during ICMER 2011 dinner held in MS Garden Hotel, Kuantan.

He also said the Malaysian Government encouraged R&D&C, development and commercialization at the institutions of higher learning by introducing a variety of initiatives and facilities that would benefit the researchers and academicians.

Several keynote speeches were presented by Professor T.S. Zhao from Hong Kong University of Science & Technology (HKUST), Professor Dr David Hui from Mechanical Engineering Department, University of New Orleans, Professor Chew Yong

Tian, Mechanical Engineering Department head, National University of Singapore and Professor Talal Yusaf from University Southern Queensland in the conference held over two days.

The working papers were also published in the Material Science and Engineering (MSE), Scopus Index, Ei Compendex, Inspec, International Journal on Automotive and Mechanical Engineering (IJAME) and Journal on Mechanical Engineering and Science.

Also present were Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research & Innovation), Professor Dato' Dr Rosli Mohd Yunus, FKM Dean, Professor Dr Zahari Taha and EAC Director, Dr Abdul Adam Abdullah.