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UMP-UTY SHARED GOOD PRACTISES IN RESEARCH AND PATENT FIELDS

In its effort to become a world-class technology university, Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) will continue to work on its branding strategy in engineering and technology and walking the talk, the university shared its best research good practices and patents in an international seminar and national symposium, 'Global Competitiveness through Research Supporting Commercial Industry' in Indonesia.

It was organised by University Technology Yogyakarta (UTY), Yogyakarta on June 23, 2012.

UMP's Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Dr. Daing Nasir

Ibrahim accepted an invitation from UTY to participate in the seminar's plenary session that gathered prominent academicians and experts from Malaysia and Indonesia.

Professor Dato' Dr. Daing Nasir Ibrahim said a university played an important role in producing innovation in research and patent to continue to be competitive at the international scene.

"Bigger development fund and more researches and collaborations between companies and public research institutes are among the factors that can help inculcate research and innovation culture

in universities," he said when presenting a working paper titled, 'Global Competitiveness through Research and Patents: Are We Ready?' at Hyatt Regency Hotel in Yogyakarta.

Dr. Daing Nasir also shared information on patent registration statistics for the year 2009 that listed Malaysia at the 30th placing while Indonesia at the 78th spot and Singapore recorded at the 22th with 594 patents filed.

However, the figures might have changed for the last three years, he added.

He said the university played a role in contributing to innovative



patents and scientific publications for a SCIMAGO study carried out in 2010 showed that scientific publications produced by Indonesia totalled 2,032 only as compared to Malaysia's 14,407.

Thailand registered 9,129 and Singapore, 13,913.

Other panelists included Professor Hasnah Haji Haron from Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM) with her paper, 'Research Culture in Malaysia' Dr. Yusniza Kamarulzaman from Universiti Malaya (UM) spoke on 'Research Supporting Commercial Industry' and Professor Dato' Ishak Ismail from USM presented a paper on 'Human Resources Development Strategy: Winning Global Competitiveness - The Malaysian Experience'.

Others included professors from Surabaya Technology Institute, Professor Dr. I Nyoman Sutantra, UTY's Professor Dr. Emta W Astami, Toyota Astra Motor Manager Tarsimin and Professor Dr. Lincoln Arsyad as the moderator.

Dato' Dr. Daing also gave away scholarships to two UTY undergraduates who would pursue their doctorates in computer in UMP this September.

Also present were Centre for Graduate Studies Dean, Professor Datin Dr. Nasly Mohamed Ali, Faculty of Civil Engineering & Earth Resources Dean, Professor Engr Dr. Ideris Zakaria and Faculty of Computer Systems & Software Engineering dean Professor Dr. Jasni Mohamad Zain.



research products in a bid to boost the country's research and development activities.

UTY Rector, Bambang Hartadi said the seminar also discussed on research findings and the importance of patents in university and industry, human resource development and the significance of the research world in facing global challenges and competition especially in fields

relating to information technology, industrial engineering, construction, civil engineering and economy.

He added that a university must be responsive to the needs of public and industries as well as getting its products patented and commercialised.

He suggested that researchers in Indonesia to continue with their efforts in increasing the number of