



# UMP AND IWATE UNIVERSITY FURTHER BOOST COOPERATION IN ENGINEERING FIELD

“In a broader context, the signing of this MoU will give added value to the implementation of UMP Strategic Plan 2016-2020, particularly in our focus on strengthening strategic collaboration, locally and globally,” said Professor Dr. Mashitah.

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Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) and Japan’s Iwate University (IU) had stepped up their strategic cooperation in strengthening the engineering field by signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) that extended the partnership to another five years.

Both universities enjoyed good and successful collaborations for the past five years and had benefitted from the many activities carried out – joint research works, visits to factories, teaching and learning programmes and exchange of cultural programme involving students and lecturers.

It had paved the way for two IU faculty members to conduct a workshop for manufacturing engineering students at the Faculty of Manufacturing Engineering (FKP)

in UMP.

The MoU was signed by Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research & Innovation), Professor Dr. Mashitah Mohd Yusoff for UMP and IU, by its Faculty of Engineering Dean, Professor Dr Kenichi Funazaki.

Also present at the event were FKP Academic Deputy Dean, Associate Professor Dr. Ahmad Razlan Yusoff, Institute Mould and Die representative, Professor Dr. Koichi Hirose, IU Deputy President, Professor Dr. Satoshi Ogawa and Assistant Professor Dr. Uchidate Michimasi.

Professor Dr. Mashitah said through this partnership, they could explore more possibilities for collaboration in the areas of engineering and in particular, in the field of