Kuantan, 10th August – For the first time since its inception, Faculty of Industrial Sciences & Technology (FIST) together with Institute Teknologi Sepuluh Nopember (ITS), Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM), Persatuan Sains dan Matematik (PERSAMA) and Malaysia Statistic Institute (ISM) organized an International Conference on Applied & Industrial Mathematics and Statistics 2017 (ICoAIMS 2017), held at Vistana Hotel, Kuantan recently.

This three days conference was officiated by Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic & International) Prof. Dato’ Dr. Rosli Mohd Yunus. Dean of FIST Prof. Madya Dr. Mohd Hasbi Ab Rahim were also present at the opening ceremony.

In his opening speech, Prof. Dato’ Rosli congratulates the committee for successfully organizing the conference. This conference is a platform for all the researchers and practitioners in mathematical sciences and statistic to share their experiences and ideas in this area.

"Mathematic is still being considered as a subject that is hard to learn, uncommon to industry and not widely used. But not many knows, it’s mathematic that help to systematically solve industrial problems”, he said.
"Bridging Mathematics & Industry" is the theme chose to be explored in the context of bridging the academia and the industry as inspired by Ministry of Higher Education and the management of UMP through the Malaysia Education Blueprint 2015-2020 (Higher Education) and UMP Strategic Plan 2016-220.

He added, "this is the very idea behind the translational research agenda that was mooted by the Minister of Higher Learning, YB Dato’ Seri Idris Jusoh during his 2017 mandate last January".

He really hopes that all the participants were exposed to the importance of Mathematic in industry and grab this opportunity to strengthen the networking and research among institutions.

Meanwhile, for the program director, Associate Professor Dr Mohd Zuki Salleh, the conference was such a successful event with more than 200 participants from all over the world joined to discuss issue on mathematics and statistic.

The conference also features industry experts such as the Chief Statistician, Department of Statistics Malaysia, Dr Mohd Uzir Mahidin, Prof Dr Basuki Widodo and Dr Subiono from Institut Teknologi Sepuluh Nopember (ITS), Indonesia and Prof. Dr Abdul Ghapor Hussin from Universiti Pertahanan Nasional, Malaysia.

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