Yogyakarta, 7 December - Nearly 100 participants from local and abroad get together for International Manufacturing Engineering Conference – Asia Pacific Conference on Manufacturing Systems (IMEC-APCOMS) 2017. This year, the main theme address about “Taking the Factories to the Next Level.”

This is the 2nd collaboration of joint conference hosted by Faculty of Manufacturing Technology, Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) and Faculty of Industrial Technology, Institut Teknologi Bandung (ITB) and was held at Eastparc Hotel Yogyakarta, Indonesia.

30 students and academicians from UMP participated to present their research findings in areas of Manufacturing System, Manufacturing Automation, Material and Manufacturing Process.

Conference was officiated by Deputy Rector of ITB, Professor Bermawi Priyatna Iskandar. Also attended the event were Chairman of APCOMS, Dr. Mohammad Mi’radj Isnaini and Co-Chair of APCOMS, Professor Abdul Hakim Halim and Professor Dradjad Irianto from ITB and Associate Professor Ir. Dr. Ahmad Razlan Yusoff and Dr. Muhammed Nafis Osman Zahid from UMP.
According to Professor Bermawi Priyatna Iskandar, this jointly organised conference hosted by ITB-UMP are one of the initiatives to strengthen the international collaboration between both institutions which emanated from Memorandum of Understanding signed in 2013.

"In addition, this conference is also a platform for the participants to interact and changing ideas in research areas of manufacturing engineering and industry," he elaborates further.

Keynote speakers for the conference are Dr. Ir. Mesdin Simarmata from Indonesia Creative Economy Agency (BERKAF), Professor Dr. Zahari Taha from UMP and Professor Dr. Shih-Ming Wang form Chung Yuan Christian University Taiwan.

APCOMS-iMEC 2017 is a platform for knowledge exchange and ideas growth particularly in manufacturing engineering. The conference aims to bring the researchers, academicians, scientists, students, engineers and practitioners around the world to present their latest findings, ideas, developments and applications related to manufacturing engineering and other related research areas.

With rapid advancements in manufacturing engineering, APCOMS-iMEC 2017 is the appropriate medium for associated community to keep pace with the changes. New findings could not be done without research, development and commercialization.