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Dr. Hari Narayanan shares his industrial experience

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In a move to boost the country's economic development, it was essential to have a competitive and highly-skilled workforce and realising its importance, the Industry & Community Network Department (ICoN) and Faculty of Industrial Management (FIM) jointly organised the 'Professional Talk Series' with USAINS Holding Sdn. Bhd. Director, Dr. Hari Narayanan invited as the guest speaker.

The event was held on March 26 and 27, 2019 at UMP Gambang Campus and Pekan Campus.

Dr. Hari Narayanan was formerly Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) CEO@Faculty (mailto:CEO@Faculty), a programme initiated by the Ministry of Education.

He had made a lot of contributions to the university, benefitting the students and lecturers since 2015.

He is now Chairman of Board of Directors, Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM) after retiring from Motorola Solutions (M) Sdn. Bhd. He was the company's Managing Director and had been with the company for about 25 years.

In the talk, Dr. Hari Narayanan spoke on current issues relating to the Industrial Revolution 4.0 (IR 4.0) titled, 'Biz Development: Successful Commercialisation' and 'Performance Management: Driving the Innovative & Productive Team'.

According to ICoN Manager, Mohd Raizalhilmy Mohd Rais, the programme started in 2015 and the sharing of experience and knowledge was seen as an ongoing effort by the university in providing some form of exposure to students on the real working world from a viewpoint of a Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or a prominent industrial personality from various backgrounds.

"By getting the industry to participate into the university setting, it will ensure an effective and high-impact collaboration, a strategic partnership forged that will pave the way for an integration and synergy between industrial experts and students.

"This affiliation will be more significant in helping to enhance the students' learning experience," he said.

More than 1,000 students were involved in the two-day event, organised under the Managing Human Capital programme by Faculty of Industrial Management and the Entrepreneurship Centre.