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THE Excellence Awards event jointly organised by The Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants (MICPA) and the Institute of Chartered Accountants Australia (ICAA) was filled with excitement when high-achieving young Malaysians were honoured for their outstanding performance in their pursuit of a professional qualification in accounting.

The ceremony was held on Aug 29, with proud parents, employers and friends attending to show their support for the 71 individuals who were recognised for their achievements.

Two categories of awards presented were:

1) Excellence Award for The Most Outstanding CPA Student. This award is bestowed on the best all-round CPA student who has recently completed the MICPA-ICAA professional examinations

2) Excellence Awards for Best Accounting Graduates. This award is presented to the top accounting graduate from each of the accredited local universities that offer the Bachelor of Accountancy qualification.

The Excellence Award for The Most Outstanding CPA Student 2012 was won by Tara Ong Vi Ling who is currently working with PwC, Malaysia. Tara enrolled as a candidate of the joint MICPA-ICAA Programme in June 2010 and was the top scorer for two out of five modules of the Advanced Stage Examination.

She was awarded Gold Medals for the Taxation and Ethics & Business Application modules in 2011 and 2012. She has since been admitted as an MICPA member in September.

The 2012 Excellence Awards for Best Accounting Graduates were won by:
 Universiti Malaya (UM) – Tan Qi Hong
 Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) – Azri Abdullah Al-Hadi
 Universiti Utara Malaysia (UUM) – Low Mei Yee
 Universiti Multimedia Malaysia (MMU) – Ng Zu Wern
 Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) – Kor Jian Hao
 Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM) – Tan Chi Chieh
 Unversiti Tenaga Nasional (UNITEN) – Nur Adnin Mohd Rais
 Universiti Islam Antarabangsa Malaysia (IIUM) – Aqilah Zahirah Abu Zurairah
 Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) – Siti Rubiah Ngadiman

Monash University Sunway Campus – Benjamin Cheng Zhen Bin.

At the same ceremony, eight graduates of the MICPA Programme (for the pre-2009 syllabus) who passed the exam in the May

2012 and November 2012 examinations were presented examination certificates by MICPA president Ken Pushpanathan.

The 24 graduates of the joint MICPA-ICAA Programme were also presented certificates by Institute of Chartered Accountants Australia (ICAA) chief executive officer Lee White.

A total of seven Gold Medals were presented to candidates who obtained high distinctions in the joint MICPA-ICAA Programme 2012 examinations (Term 2 and Term 3) and Term 1, 2013 examination.

The winners are as follows:

MICPA-ICAA Programme Term 2, 2012 examination

Toh Yi Jean – Datuk Oh Chong Peng gold Medal for Financial Accounting & Reporting

Tan Sue Anne – Folks DFK & Co/
Azman Wong Salleh & Co Gold Medal for Management Accounting & Analysis

Tara Ong Vi Ling – PricewaterhouseCoopers Gold Medal for Ethics & Business Application

Term 3, 2012 examination

Chee Heng Luen – BDO Gold Medal for Taxation

Tan Heng Leng – Datuk Oh Chong Peng gold Medal for Financial Accounting & Reporting

Lai Kah Ine – Folks DFK & Co/Azman Wong Salleh & Co Gold Medal for Management Accounting & Analysis

Edmund Lau Jun-Zhe – PricewaterhouseCoopers Gold Medal for Ethics & Business Application

The MICPA-ICAA Programme provides for relevant practical training experience through the Approved Training Employers (ATEs) who are recognised by MICPA.

Appreciation Awards were presented to six new ATEs who came on board as newly approved training organisations for the MICPA-ICAA Programme – ADV Fusionex Sdn Bhd, Genting Berhad, Hong Leong Manufacturing Group Sdn Bhd, Multiport Pty Ltd, RHB Banking Group and Tenaga Nasional Berhad.

The institute was also proud to present a membership certificate to Yoshiyuki Kato for being the first Japanese national member of

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MICPA. This marks a milestone for the institute as its bye-law was extended to accept admission from all Global Accounting Alliance (GAA) member bodies upon meeting the institute's admission requirements.

■ For details about the MICPA-ICAA Programme, call 03-2698 9622, e-mail micpa@micpa.com.my or visit www.micpa.com.my



The nominees of the Excellence Award for Most Outstanding CPA Student 2012 with Lee White. The winner of the award, Tara Ong Vi Ling stands to the right of White.