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Dean's Message

I would like to welcome everybody to the latest edition of FEB's EkoBiz.

We are still living in uncertain times. Thanks to the COVID-19 pandemic, the only certainty is uncertainty. The COVID-19 pandemic is still raging, with no end in sight. We are now back in a situation not too different from what we had experienced in March 2020, albeit the situation in terms of new positive and active cases is grimmer than in 2020.

Once again, I am giving you this advice: We have to follow the health guidelines, protocols and SOPs with great care and concern. We have no choice but to follow these guidelines to ensure the health system in the country remains optimal. This is the new normal. And now, I urge you to register yourselves to be vaccinated. We must do our part to help the government to flatten the curve and enable life to go back to normal; and vaccination to enable herd immunity is a vital component to that regard.

Amid all this, that activities in this Faculty have not stopped. We adapt to this new normal and move on. We adapt to the best of our ability in pursuing our activities. We continue with our work. In this regard, many things and events have happened. This year we are celebrating out the 25th anniversary of the Silver Jubilee. This marks the important journey of FEB from January 1996 to today. The objective of the 25th Anniversary Silver Jubilee is to celebrate the achievements of the faculty, academic and administrative staff as well as stakeholders for their continued support to FEB for 25 years. FEB plays a significant role towards producing future holistic graduates. FEB acts as the basis for the advancement of contemporary business and economic knowledge and an excellent platform for graduates with interpersonal skills in Accounting, Economics, Finance, Management and Marketing. The launching ceremony of the 25th Anniversary Silver Jubilee was held on 18th February 2021 in conjunction with Amanat Naib Canselor 2021 with the theme of UNIMAS as a Global Brand. In line with the university aspiration to reach greater height at the global level, FEB has revised its vision and mission as below:



I hope you will enjoy reading the articles in this edition.

Please contact the contributors to the articles should you find the topics to be interesting. Who knows, your effort to know more can lead to future collaborations. Here in this faculty, we encourage our staff to collaborate not only amongst themselves, but also to outside of the faculty within the broader UNIMAS community and even beyond. Through these collaborations our activities we would achieve greater levels of excellence.

The EkoBiz is made possible by the efforts of many Faculty staffs. Therefore, I would like to thank all contributors to this bulletin especially to the Chief Editor, Miss Joanne Shaza Janang and the Editorial team, Miss Nur Nadhira Baharuddin, Dr Sin Kit Yeng, Dr Nur Constance Wah and Mr Ahmad Syubaili Mohamed as well as Dr Khairil Annuar Mohd Kamal.

May we all be in good health and in good spirits to take whatever challenges the future has in store for us.









From Chief Editor's Desk

Salam Sejahtera and warm greetings to our readers. It is my pleasure as the Editorial-In-Chief of EkoBiz Newsletter and thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve in this manner. I hope everyone is in good health despite of the current pandemic situation that we are facing now. Indeed, it is the new norm where most meetings and social gatherings are conducted virtually online in order to minimise the spread of the virus. However, our faculty has been very productive and engaging with our students as well as other stakeholders despite the challenges faced during this pandemic.

In this issue, there were many interesting and enthralling activities that the faculty has successfully conducted. Furthermore, this issue is a special issue as the faculty celebrated the 25th Silver Jubilee Celebration. Throughout the 25 years, the faculty has been blessed with numerous achievements and has been blooming exhaustively as UNIMAS Global Brand.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Editorial Board members, faculty members and contributors in making this issue a success. This issue would not be possible without your continuous support and encouragement. Last but not least, I hope that this year would be a better year for everyone. Stay safe, stay at home, and take care.

Enjoy reading!

Joanne Shaza Janang









Editoral Board















25[™] SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATION



This year marks a special year for our faculty as we celebrate the 25th Silver Jubilee. It has been a memorable as well as an incredible 25 years and the faculty has achieved tremendous recognition and awards throughout these years. Looking back at those memories, our faculty has been blessed with such supportive support system. We would like to thank everyone in making this 25 years a special one.

As we move on and journey into 2021, the 25th Silver Jubilee celebration was celebrated joyfully despite the pandemic situation that we are all facing now. There were numerous activities, plans and engagements that were scheduled to celebrate this joyous, exuberant, and merry celebration.













Our Story

Since 1996, the Faculty has grown bigger in human resources. As of now, there are 62 academicians & researchers, with 15 supporting staffs to strengthen the Faculty's core business and services. Without these people, the Faculty could not achieve all the incredible achievements as of today.



Our Vision

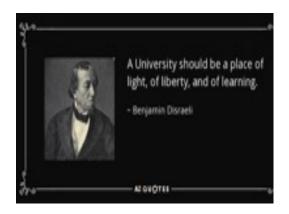
Towards regional economics, business and entrepreneurship scholarship.



Our Mission

To offer scholarship of choice to both students and academics in the field of economics, entrepreneurship business, and through excellence in teaching, learning, research, and consultation strategies.















Our Graduation Story

The faculty had 23 students back in 1996 with two undergraduate programmes. Fast forward to 2021, the faculty had 7,689 alumni from seven undergraduate programmes and 4 post graduate programmes. It was amazing that FEB has come this far since 1996, producing quality and marketable graduates.



















Our Programmes

Undergraduate Programmes

- Bachelor of Economics with Honours (Service Economics)
- Bachelor of Economics with Honours (Business Economics)
- Bachelor of Economics with Honours (International Economics)
- Bachelor of Accountancy (Honours)
- Bachelor of Finance (Honours)
- Bachelor of Business Administration with Honours (Marketing)
- Bachelor of Business Administration with Honours (Corporate Management)

Postgraduate Programmes

- Doctor of Business Administration (DBA)
- Corporate Master of Business Administration (CMBA)
- Doctor of Philosophy Degree (PhD)
- Master of Science Degree (MSc)











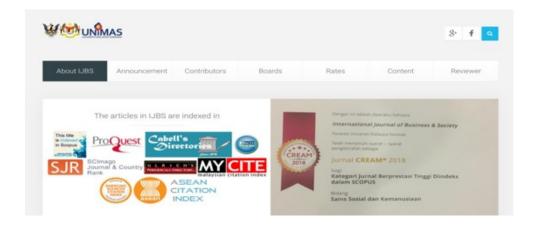




Our Achievements

Throughout these years, FEB have achieved numerous awards and recognition. These awards and recognitions motivated our faculty to strive better in the future to be in par with other universities around the globe.

• International Journal of Business and Society



• THE World University Rankings (601 in the world for Business & Economics)





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Malaysian Qualification Agency (MQA) Accreditation

Our programmes were accredited with MQA which is important to ensure our programmes are qualified and recognised.

Recognition of Accounting Professional Bodies























Launching of 25th Silver Jubilee Ceremony



The launching of the 25th Silver Jubilee ceremony was officiated by our very own Vice-Chancellor of Universiti Malaysia Sarawak, Professor Datuk Dr Mohamad Kadim bin Suaidi on 18 February 2021 during the Amanat Naib Canselor. The launching was also attended by our Dean, Associate Professor Dr Rossazana Bt Ab Rahim and staffs of FEB. It was a memorable event to be remembered by FEB staffs and students as it was celebrated virtually and broadcasted live across social media platforms such as Facebook and Webex. Due to the Pandemic, the 25th Jubilee Celebration was celebrated virtually to minimise the spread of the Covid-19 virus. Nevertheless, it was a successful event and marks a prestigious celebration that FEB will forever cherished.



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FEB Memory Lane: Beautiful Memories with FEB





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WELCOME ON BOARD AND CONGRATULATIONS PROF DATO DR MADELINE BERMA

The faculty welcomes Prof Dato Dr Madeline Berma as our faculty's *Profesor Kehormat*. Our faculty is blessed to have such dedicated and humble Professor as part of our faculty member. We believe that with Prof Dato Dr Madeline Berma's experience and expertise, our faculty will bloom and shine as Unimas Global Brand.













BEST WISHES AND WE WILL MISS YOU

The faculty would like to take the opportunity to convey our best wishes to Dr Rayenda Khresna Brahmana and Dr Ahmad Ibn Ibrahimy for their contribution and dedication throughout the years of service. The faculty will miss their valuable contributions as a great mentor and inspiration to many. We are proud to have been a friend and colleague to such achiever who worked hard and tirelessly to deliver excellent results for the faculty. Although their leaving made us sad, the sweet memories of ever working with you will be remembered always. We will miss you and pray that your future endeavours will be blessed by the Almighty.



























CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FEB STAFFS

Majlis Anugerah Gemilang Unimas

Congratulations and well done! May your success inspired other staffs to strive better in the future. Thank you for your dedication and hard work!







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ANUGERAH KUMULATIF ERTINGGI PENERBITA ALAM JURNAL BERIMPAK (BIDANG SAINS SOSIAL/SASTERA)







Ting Su Hie (Prof Madya Dr) Shahren bin Ahmad Zaidi Adruce (Profesor Dr) Abang Azlan bin Mohamad (Dr)











ANUGERAH AHLI AKADEMIK HARAPAN UNIMAS











Times Higher Education (THE) 601 in the World for Business and **Economics**

The Faculty of Economics and Business, UNIMAS has been awarded the THE 601 in the World for Business and Economics. Congratulations!





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Administrative Appointments

Congratulations to Dr Nor Afiza, Dr Rosita and Madam Nordiana Ahmad on your appointment as Course Coordinators.







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UNIMAS Apprentice Appointment and Deputy Dean of Students Affairs & Alumni Appointment

Heartiest Congratulations to Dr Norazirah Haji Ayob on the recent appointment as Director of UNIMAS Apprentice and Dr Janifer Anak Lunyai on the recent appointment of the faculty's Deputy Dean of Student Affairs. We believe that with your commitment and determination would contribute the UNIMAS's vision and mission. Congratulations!





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Penguniaan Darjah Yang Amat Mulia Bintang Sarawak (PBS)

Congratulations to Prof Dr Lo May Chiun upon receiving the honour of Penguniaan Darjah Yang Amat Mulia Bintang Sarawak (PBS). On behalf of the EkoBiz team and the faculty, we would like to convey our outmost congratulations to Prof Dr Lo May Chiun. Congratulations!













Corporate Master in Business Administration Coordinator Appointment

Congratulations to Professor Madya Dr Liew Khim Sen on your appointment as the Coordinator of CMBA Programme.











Appointment as Profesor Kehormat

Congratulations to Profesor Dr Abu Hassan Bin Md Isa on your appointment as the Faculty's Profesor Kehormat.













CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ALUMNI



Heartiest congratulations to Pn Firna Azura Eka Marzuka on her recent appointment as Pengarah Eksekutif Komuniti Lada Antarabangsa. She was our majoring in Corporate Management and Marketing. The faculty would like to take this opportunity to extend our warmest congratulations.

Heartiest congratulations to Encik Abdul Aziz bin Rosli on his recent appointment as Ketua Bank Rakyat Wilayah Sarawak. He was our alumni majoring in International Economics. The faculty would like to take this opportunity to extend our warmest congratulations.













Heartiest congratulations to Encik Muhammad Fauzan bin Mohd on his recent appointment as Pengarah Lembaga Perindustrian Nanas Malaysia, Negeri Pahang. He was our alumni majoring Marketing. The faculty would like to take this opportunity to extend our warmest congratulations.

Heartiest congratulations to Eliza Fazliyaton Alias on her recent appointment as Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif YS International Education Sdn Bhd. She was our alumni majoring in Management, CMBA, Economics and International Business. The faculty would like to take this opportunity to extend our warmest congratulations.















Heartiest congratulations to Tn Abdul Rahman Emang Anyie on his recent appointment as Pengarah Jabatan Pengangkutan Jalan Kedah. He was majoring in Industrial our alumni Economics. The faculty would like to take this opportunity to extend our warmest congratulations.

Heartiest congratulations to Tuan Mokhzani Aris Bin Mohd on his recent appointment as Pengarah Wilayah, Perbadanan Produktiviti Malaysia (MPC), Sabah. He was our alumni majoring in International Economics. The faculty would like to take this opportunity to extend our warmest congratulations.













FACULTY IN THE NEWS

Our Faculty of Economics and Business academicians are experts in the field of research and study. They are continuously called on by various media platforms to apply their expertise and knowledge to what is trending in the world today. Below are the articles where you can review some of our #FEBExperts in the news.

Faculty celebrates silver jubilee













Full article: https://www.newsarawaktribune.com.my/faculty- celebrates-silver-jubilee/?fbclid=IwAR2XtsaXj6BQ2SYzRcNC psUCG3K_16LIFT3bRwkbiu5ymQPQMSn7lunYn0Q

Check your emergency fund before investing in gold









Full article: https://www.newsarawaktribune.com.my/checkyour-emergency-fund-before-investing-in-gold/?fbclid=IwAR2 GIIGkF7b3E3305JWAfbGrlkEI6Fvk9d2EkY4hBnGwlRMX0 Uh-HcOaliI







Source: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WstHr3Bdc0k



Source: www.tvstv.my









Professor Dato Dr Madeline Berma

Tumpu pertumbuhan ekonomi makro



Kerajaan disaran mempergiat aktiviti ekonomi melalui pelaksanaan semula projek-projek mega yang mempunyai kesan rantaian kepada ekonomi. - GAMBAR HIASAN

Full article: https://www.utusan.com.my/ekonomi/2021/05/ tumpu-pertumbuhan-ekonomi-makro/



Full article: https://www.nst.com.my/news/ $\underline{nation/2021/03/671660/economy\text{-}recover\text{-}third\text{-}quarter}$











Sex work is not work, it's oppression

By Nur Farihah Meor Mazli - April 4, 2021 @ 4:23pm





The reality is that 'sex work' is not work like 'any other job'. - NSTP file pic, for illustration purposes only

ON March 27, 2021, Dr Madeline Berma upon invitation from Pertubuhan Kesihatan dan Kebajikan Umum Malaysia (PKKUM) delivered a talk on her capacity as Commissioner of SUHAKAM and made a statement online which detailed her paper on the 'Human Rights of Sex Workers in Malaysia'.

Full article: https://www.nst.com.my/opinion/columnists/2021/04/679583/sex-work-not-work-its-oppression





Dr Madeline Berma berkata, pada PKP 1.0, negara mengalami kerugian sehingga RM24 bilion sehari.

Full article: https://www.astroawani.com/berita-bisnes/pkp-30-perlu-dilihat-dari-sudut-positif-imbangi-ekonomi-kesihatan-pakarekonomi-297931







Madeline Berma: BKSS 5.0 lanjutan dari BKSS 4.0, tiada pendekatan baharu





Full article: https://dayakdaily.com/madeline-berma-bkss-5-0-lanjutan-dari-bkss-4-0-tiada-pendekatan-baharu/



Kesan COVID-19 | Kumpulan B40 kini jadi **B50**

Full article: https://www.astroawani.com/video-malaysia/kesan-covid19-kumpulan-b40-kini-jadi-b50-1896435









Ekonomi negara dijangka pulih pada suku ketiga - Pakar

Full article: https://www.astroawani.com/video-malaysia/ekonomi-negara-dijangka-pulih-pada-suku-ketiga-pakar-1893377



Agenda AWANI: Setahun Malaysia Prihatin -Ekonomi & kesejahteraan rakyat

Full article: https://www.astroawani.com/video-malaysia/agenda-awani-setahun-malaysia-prihatin-ekonomi-kesejahteraanrakyat-1893252









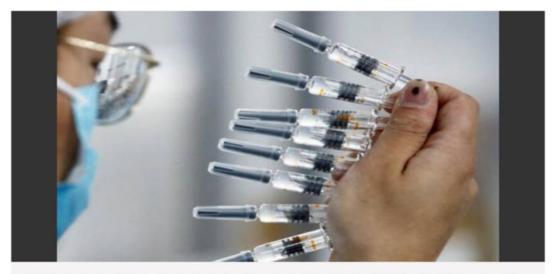
Ekonomi | Kebajikan rakyat dan mengukuhkan ekonomi keutamaan kerajaan

Datuk Dr Madeline Berma, Penganalisis Ekonomi

Full article: https://www.astroawani.com/video-malaysia/ekonomi-kebajikan-rakyat-dan-mengukuhkan-ekonomi-keutamaankerajaan-1892884

Vaksin COVID-19 jalan terbaik rancak ekonomi

Bernama Februari 26, 2021 04:50 MYT



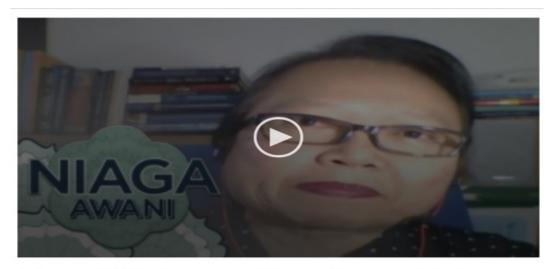
Meskipun negara telah mempunyai vaksin, apa yang penting adalah rakyat harus kekal mengamalkan SOP dan menjaga diri bagi membantu mengekang penularan. - Gambar fail

Full article: https://www.astroawani.com/berita-malaysia/vaksin-covid19-jalan-terbaik-rancak-ekonomi-284820









Niaga AWANI: Pemulihan ekonomi | Fokus kepada sektor rentas, sektor penting

Datuk Dr Madeline Berma, Felo Akademi Sains Malaysia

Full article: https://www.astroawani.com/video-bisnes/niaga-awani-pemulihan-ekonomi-fokus-kepada-sektor-rentas-sektorpenting-1892047

Ketibaan vaksin: Ekonomi negara dijangka pulih bermula pertengahan tahun - Pakar

Februari 22, 2021 04:06 MYT



Sektor pelancongan dan eksport negara adalah sektor yang banyak terkesan disebabkan penutupan sempadan negara sejak pelaksanaan PKP, kata Madeline. - Gambar hiasan

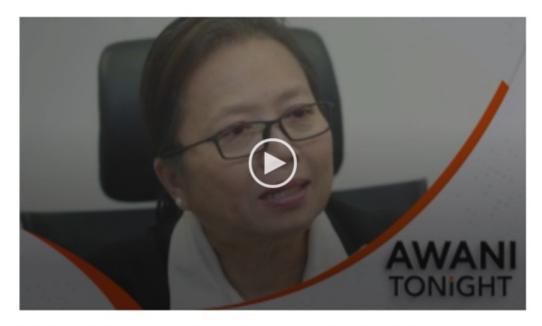
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Who are the new poor in Malaysia?

Full article: https://www.astroawani.com/video-malaysia/who-are-new-poor-malaysia-1890965



Miskin Bandar | Wujudkan dana bantu ibu tunggal

Dana khas perlu diwujudkan bagi membantu golongan ibu tunggal mendepani cabaran COVID-19 khususnya dalam aspek ekonomi. Langkah ini jelas pakar ekonomi, Datuk Dr Madeline Berma, mampu mengurangkan bebanan yang terpaksa ditanggung mereka yang tergolong dalam miskin bandar.

Full article: https://www.astroawani.com/video-malaysia/miskin-bandar-wujudkan-dana-bantu-ibu-tunggal-1889012

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Bantuan Rakyat | Penyebaran maklumat perlu diperluaskan

Full article: https://www.astroawani.com/video-malaysia/bantuan-rakyat-penyebaran-maklumat-perlu-diperluaskan-1889009

Dr Hamrila Abdul Latip



VISI: Episod 13 - Datu Sabariah Putit, Timbalan Setiausaha Kerajaan Negeri Source: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vFOOgxCnpJc







Dr Hamrila Abbdul Latip on Suara Sarawak



Source: Suara Sarawak Newspaper, 18 Mac 2021



Source: Suara Sarawak Newspaper, 22 April 2021







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Source: Suara Sarawak Newspaper, 15 April 2021



Source: Suara Sarawak Newspaper, 11 Mac 2021













Source: Suara Sarawak Newspaper, 11 February 2021



Source: Suara Sarawak Newspaper, 6 May 2021

















Source: Suara Sarawak Newspaper, 4 Mac 2021



Source: Suara Sarawak Newspaper, 4 February 2021













Source: Suara Sarawak Newspaper, 18 February 2021

Dr Nur Zaimah Ubaidillah

Revision on minimum wage long overdue













Full article: https://www.newsarawaktribune.com.my/revision-on-minimum-wage-long-overdue/

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Associate Professor Dr Dayang Affizzah Awang Marikan

Sarawak - Focus On Basic Infrastructure, Access To **Funds**

Author: Tan KW Publish date: Wed, 27 Jan 2021, 3:17 PM



Full article: https://klse.i3investor.com/blogs/bfm_podcast/2021-01-27-story-h1540183965-Sarawak_Focus_On_Basic_ Infrastructure Access To Funds.jsp

PAKEJ BKSS 5.0: Hadiah untuk rakyat



Full article: https://suarasarawak.my/pakej-bkss-5-0-hadiah-untuk-rakyat/

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Associate Professor Dr Muhammad Abdullah bin Zaidel



Full article: https://www.theborneopost.com/2021/02/25/herd-immunity-vaccinations-needed-for-all-aged-18-and-above-insarawak/

Imperative for Sarawak to hit 100pc vaccination coverage for those above 18 to achieve herd immunity, says Dr Sim

Wednesday, 24 Feb 2021 04:01 PM MYT



Full article: https://www.malaymail.com/news/malaysia/2021/02/24/imperative-for-sarawak-to-hit-100pc-vaccination-coveragefor-those-above-18/1952470



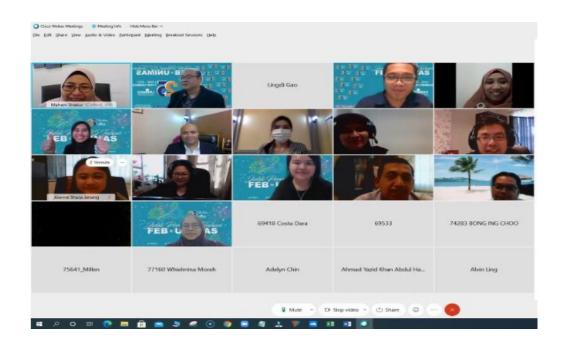




INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT & FEB CARE:

On 5th May 2021, the faculty had engaged an international virtual sharing session with speakers from Phuket Rajabhat University, Thailand and Sebelas Maret University, Indonesia. The fruitful sharing session was on Education Challenges and Opportunities During The Pandemic. Dr Mahani, our very own Deputy Dean (Undergraduate) also shared her thoughts and opinion with the current situation. It was indeed an engaging session and a fructuous session.















The faculty has also engaged a sharing session with World Bank on topic "Malaysia Economic Monitor: Sowing the Seeds". Invited speakers were Ms. Shakira Teh Sharifuddin and Dr Animesh Shrivastava. The fruitful session was moderated by our Deputy Dean (Industry & Community Engagement), Dr Jerome Kueh.



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FEB CARES: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Iniversiti Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS) with UNESCO-IHP Malaysia together with agency partners have been collaborating since 2015 to implement educational campaigns and programs, as well as youth leadership water camps to raise awareness about sustainable water for communities in Sarawak. Director of Unimas Leadership Centre and also one of our FEB lecturer, Associate Professor Dr Rohaya and her team at Unimas Leadership Centre have been committed in playing their active role in raising awareness about sustainable water for sustainable communities of Sarawak and Sabah. Sustainable Development Goal 6 (or SDG6), which is one of 17 Sustainable Development Goals, aims to ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all.



Pictures taken with the community of Singai, Bau Sarawak.

There has been numerous community engagement work and collaboration activities that Associate Professor Dr Rohaya and her team has conducted to ensure that the communities well-being are well taken care of. In 2018, an awareness program has been conducted at Kampung Buntal, Santubong and Borneo Tribal Village, Kampung Apar Singai. These awareness programs focused on imparting knowledge about the importance of protecting and conserving water resources, including effective ways in managing water sources, as well as information about water and health. With the involvement of UNIMAS volunteer students, mini carnival with community was successfully done with these two communities.

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Pictures taken with the community at Kampung Buntal, Santubong, Sarawak.







Community Visit to Kampung Lubuk Kura

In 2019, our faculty along with Unimas Community Sustainability Centre has visited Lthe community in Kampung Lubuk Kura. This visit was led by Mr Haslan Otot, who was the Deputy Director of Unimas Community Sustainability Centre and also one of our FEB lecturer. The purpose of this visit was to engaged with the community and to provide necessary assistance in assisting the community in commercializing the production as well as the sale of Gula Apong. This visit was also attended by our faculty's Deputy Dean (Industry and Community Engagement), Dr Jerome Kueh and Miss Joanne Shaza (Coordinator of Community Engagement Unit).



The team lead by Mr Haslan at Kampung Lubuk Kura

During the visit, the team was briefed on the process of Gula Apong production. The community of Kampung Lubuk Kura also shared on the types of food and cuisine that they have made with the Gula Apong.











































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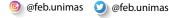


ADMINISTRATIVE NEWS

Chinese New Year Celebration

Despite the pandemic situation that we are facing now, our faculty always make time to celebrate festive celebration together and of course, adhering to strict SOP. In February 2021, the faculty members gathered in a simple Chinese New Year celebration with delicious food and Yee Sang. According to the Chinese culture, Yee Sang known as a 'prosperity toss' (also called 'yu sheng' in Chinese, or 'lo hei' in Cantonese) is a salad usually enjoyed during Chinese New Year festivities which is a symbol of abundance, prosperity, and vigor, and usually consists of a variety of colourful ingredients including fresh vegetables, fruits, crackers, and usually raw fish. Everyone enjoyed the Yee Sang session.



















Program Kita Aktif Kita Sihat 2021 anjuran Fakulti Ekonomi dan Perniagaan -Brisk Walk, Aerobic and Cycling

The faculty organised a program named "Program Aktif Sihat 2021" as part of the University's initiative to encourage staffs in engaging in a healthier lifestyle. In conjunction to this program, numerous activities were conducted such as brisk walk, aerobic, and cycling with the aim of encouraging an active lifestyle among faculty's members. Both academic and administrative staffs took part in this programme.

"Physical fitness is the first requisite of happiness." – Joseph Pilates



























































Program Agihan Bubur Lambuk

The Ramadhan celebration this year was slightly different and is rather unique as berbuka puasa session with friends and families are restricted to minimise the spread of Covid-19 virus. However, the faculty will always make plans to make this year's Ramadhan a memorable one. Therefore, on 7th May 2021 (25th Ramadhan, 1442), Program Agihan Bubur Lambuk was organised where the signature bubur lambuk were distributed to our beloved staffs and students. The faculty members also took the opportunity to connect with our dear students who are currently in campus to carry out their Online Learning.



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Tazkirah Ramadhan

In conjunction with the Muslim's Holy Month, Ramadhan, the faculty conducted a series of virtual religious talk on every Friday of the month. With the support and collaboration from various prominent institutions and scholar, four different topics were selected to match with and ignite the spirit of Ramadhan. The close kinship between the Muslim staff were maintained through this lively knowledge-sharing session. It is in hope that this series will be a continuous event for the faculty.









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Birthday Celebration

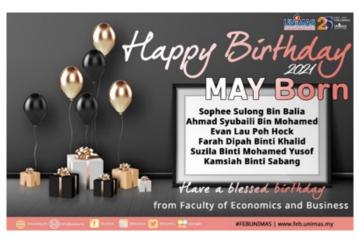
Even though there is a restriction on social gathering thus eliminate the possibility of a typical birthday celebration, the faculty take the initiative to celebrate the born date of its member virtually. Each month, staff who celebrated their birthdays will be acknowledged through a special post and poster. This small effort hopefully will bring joy and happiness to the person on their special day.



















Faculty Open Day

A sharing session by the Dean and the Deputy Dean of Students Affairs & Alumni kick start the Faculty Open Day session for FEB. This event was conducted virtually through Zoom and Official Facebook Live on 30th April 2021. The main objective of this session is to introduce and promote the programs offered by FEB together with sharing the uniqueness and privileges of becoming a FEBians with the prospective students. This event managed to gather a crowd from all over Malaysia especially among the current students who joined to give support to their dearest faculty. This surely reflects the spirit of "Teguh Bersama" practiced by FEB as we work together to promote and advertise the faculty.















UNDERGRADUATE NEWS

PERSATUAN MAHASISWA FAKULTI EKONOMI DAN PERNIAGAAN (PERFEP)

Introverts Advice in Networking

On 24th March 2021, Renuprasad Karnan from PERFEP has organized the talk where he invited Prof. Madya Dr Sopian bin Bujang from Faculty of Cognitive Sciences and Human Development to share his expertise in networking especially to those who are hard to communicate or try to express themselves to people or introverts. As today, many youths are hardly to get place in organizations as their lack of skills and poor in approaching society. The event flow is going really well, as lot of participants are mostly from introverts' group. As the talks goes on, receiving inquiries from participants stating their concern about on how to improve themselves, really make



this programme more benefit for them and happy to see this kind of reaction. Introverts Advice in Networking had to increase the registration limit as lot of people love to join this, from limit of 100 people at first.

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Bright Your Future with ASNB



14th April 2021, Persatuan Mahasiswa Fakulti Ekonomi dan Perniagaan has invited a speaker from Amanah Saham Nasional Berhad (ASNB) Miri Branch, Cik Suzana binti Napi who is ASNB Zone Manager to give a valuable speech regarding the financial management especially in unit trust. The programme was conducted by Ayu Nadhirah binti Mohd Zaini. This programme is to expose to student who are surrounded by debt and uncertain in financing their life in future. We have many choices to create side income beside depends on our own job income. Cik Suzana, who is financial experts have shared a lot of information about how we can survive and

generate more income without depending to job income alone. ASNB is well-know GLC body who is expert in unit trust. Number of participations is quite good and the feedback also great.





Virtual One Step Ahead



17th October 2021, PERFEP has organized one day event with the objective in guiding the SPM, STPM, and Diploma leaver in giving a hint on how to further their studies in Universiti Malaysia Sarawak. VOSA 3.0 was a continuation of One Step Ahead which were proposed as physical activities. As the pandemic arise, Addy who are the programme director for this programme, has decided to conduct online. The main reason for this programme is to give information in creating path to enter university,





how to decide in which course to take and bonding with senior or facilitator and learn from their experience while in university. Dr Rafeah Wahi, lecturer from Faculty of Resource Science and Technology is an invited guest for the programme, has delivered very well information about her experience while studying, the hardship and how to apply university. Dr. Rafeah Wahi also motivate all participants who attended the programme to start to change way of life by stepping into higher education level. The programme was successful with participants come from almost whole Malaysia and this is first time that OSA reach out participants outside of Sarawak.

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International Engagement Week (IEW) 2021









27th May 2021- For the first time, Persatuan Mahasiswa Fakulti Ekonomi dan Perniagaan have proposing a first virtual international events which connecting with several representative from other part of the country such as Myanmar, Indonesia, Japan and United Kingdom. The objective of the event is to learn the culture of

the people as we unable to travel to explore them. The invited speaker is Dr. Helma Malini from Universiti Tanjungpura, Indonesia; Mr. Zaw Htet Pine from Co-operative University Thanlyin, Myanmar; Mr. Jonson Lim Jia Sheng a representative from non-profit organizations, Association of Malaysian Economics Undergraduates (AMEU), United Kingdom; and Assc. Prof Rodolfo Delgado from Kitakyushu University, Japan. Besides sharing session from the speaker, PERFEP also propose some interactive activities to connect audiences with the events. 'Share Your Experience Contest' and 'TikTok Video Contest' is the programme for this IEW. The programme is handled by Raegrace Niing Ngo, programme director for these events accompanies by Daine Esther as her assistant.







SPADE

Event: D'Ultimate De Amor

Program Director: Adailton Bin Semail Timba

Zumba Instructor: Zin Anna

D'Ultimate De Amor is weekly virtual Zumba conducted every Friday for a month, starting on 19th February 2021 until 12 March 2021 via Webex Meeting with invited Zumba Instructors from Tawau Sabah, Zin Anna. It aimed to provide participants with healthy activities during semester break in conjunction of Fitness Challenge with SPADE (FCWS), where the participants are required to join for their attendances. D'Ultimate De Amor Zumba is successfully carried out with the highest 48 participants recorded, including UNIMAS student as well public participants.









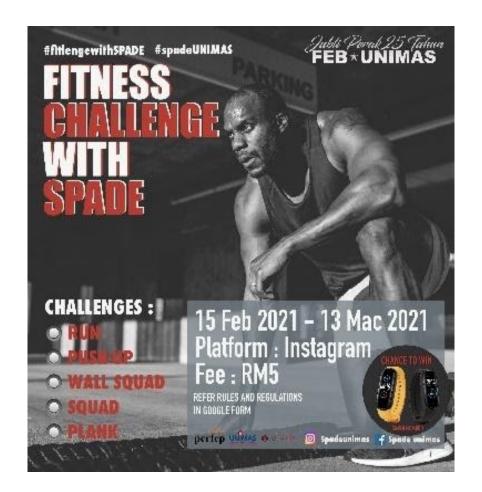


Event: Fitness Challenge with SPADE (FCWS)

Program Director: Sharifah Nur Hikmah Binti Wan Ala

Time: 15th February 2021 - 13th March 2021

Fitness Challenge with SPADE is an online fitness competition conducted by SPADE to ensure all participants stay active during Movement Control Order at home starting from 15th February 2021 until 13th March 2021. Each participant needs to pay RM5 as registration fee. The challenges are varying each week and all the participants must complete the challenge in 4 days (Monday to Thursday), while on Friday they need to attend D'Ultimate De Amor for their attendance. The number of participants compete are 79 participants comprised of UNIMAS students and public participants. All participants will be given e-certificates, while 1 winner from each category (Male & Female) awarded with Xiaomi Mi Band 5 as well as e-certificate.











Event: ChitChat SPADE

Program Director: Nur Hadianna Binti Samad

Speakers: Farah Putrinegara Ahamad Baharom & Shazeema Binti Mashood Shah

Time: 14th April 2021 / 9.00am - 10.30 am

ChitChat SPADE is a webinar focusing on student's mental health during Online and Distance Learning (ODL). The speakers are certified Clinical Psychologist from WeCare Allied Health Centre which are also known for their involvement in the community on promoting mental health awareness, corporate training, stress management, career counselling and enrichment programs. Therefore, this event was conducted to help participants especially UNIMAS students to manage their stress due to the ODL, detect early sign of mental health issue which indirectly promotes mental health awareness among participants.















Event: SPADE X AMEU

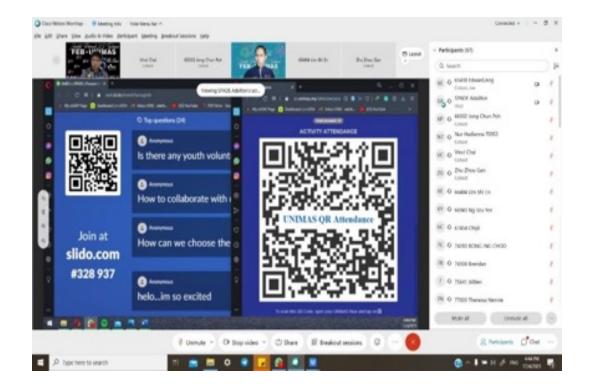
Program Director: Ang Swee Zhun

Time: 17th April 2021 / 5.00pm - 6.15pm

Collaborators: Association of Malaysian Economics Undergraduates (AMEU)

Speakers: Gan Zhu Zhou & Vinci Chai

SPADE X AMEU is an online collaboration where the speakers share about their past event and experiences in managing the organizations. The main purpose of this collaborations is to expose the leadership skills and giving motivation to all participants especially for societies in Faculty of Economics & Business (FEB) UNIMAS to expand their affiliate. Indirectly, this collaboration also help SPADE to develop and maintain long-term collaboration with professional and corporate entities which is fruitful for SPADE committee as well. Besides, the collaboration enable SPADE to identify industry's standard and expectation towards fresh entrance of the members.



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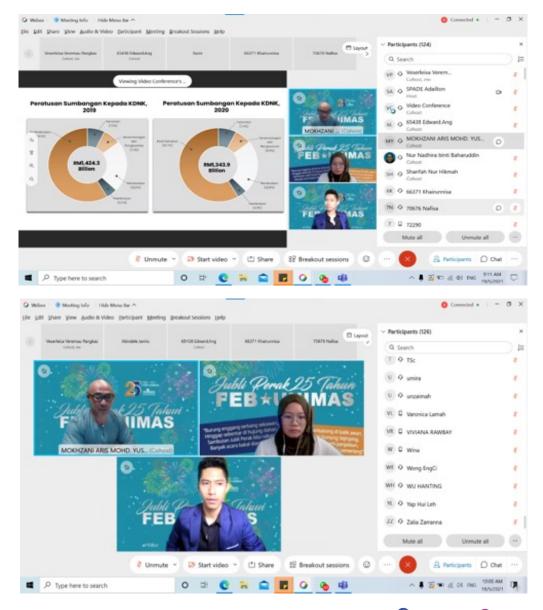
Event: EconsTalk: Up Skilling & Enhance Competency towards Future Labour Market

Program Director: Veserleisa Veremau Anak Pangkas

Time: 19th May 2021 / 9.00am -11.00am

Guest Speaker: Mr Mokhzani Aris Mohd Yusoff

EconsTalk: Up Skilling & Enhance Competency towards Future Labour Market is sharing from Mr Mokhzani, Regional Director of Malaysia Productivity Corporation (MPC) Sabah Branch. This event is conducted to prepare the participants especially fresh graduate to compete in the labour market in the new norm. Besides, Mr Mokhzani also share about his undergraduate experience on his journey in UNIMAS as he is the first economics graduate of FEB. Moreover, has successfully carried with the highest number of 128 participants including our Dean, Deputy Dean, TD HEPA, SPADE & PERFEP advisors as well Mdm Ingrid and Miss Farihah from MPC Sabah.



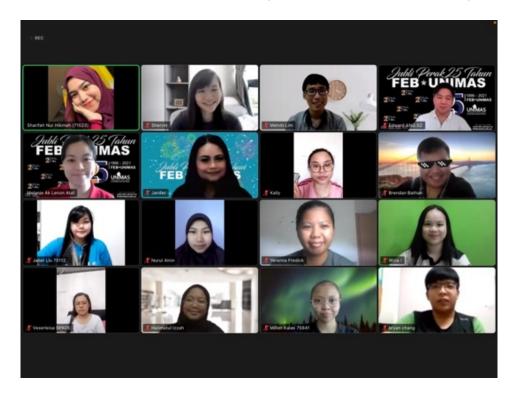
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Event: Freshie Career Guide Program Director: Ang Swee Zhun

Freshie Career Guide is an online sharing by Economics Alumni, Melvin Lim and Shervin Leong to share their industrial training and current job experience. This is conducted mainly to prepare the second and third students to prepare for their industrial training program in the next intersession. Besides, the invited speakers also motivate and inspire the participants to pursue their dream career. This interactive session also discusses the current and adopted characters in the working environment as a fresh graduate.















SMART

SMART X KPMG Malaysia: Visume Workshop & Employability Skills Workshop 2021

19th March 2021, the event of SMART X **KPMG** Malaysia: Workshop Visume **Employability** & Workshop 2021 organized by SMART society which is a webinar that open to all UNIMAS students from first year and especially targeted to FEBians. Final year students especially looking for company for their internship. Therefore, this online webinar is to helps students by inviting speaker from the KPMG Malaysia to shares crucial tips for their resume and tips how to produce video resume as well how to



shows the professionalism in their video. The main objectives for this webinar are to help students being more creative on producing their resume via digital resume format.

The invited speaker for this event is Mr. Anil SK Nair, a Consultant Talent Engagement of KPMG Malaysia. resumes. During the event, the speaker shared some valuable tips to the participants on how to answer the questions asked by the interviewer properly. These tips not only applicable during internship interview but also applicable especially to final year students that will seeking a job after the graduation. The event had been organized by Society of Marketing Talent (SMART) successfully. Total audience who joined this webinar are 114 participants. 🚺 /fep.unimas 🏻 🌀 @feb.unimas 💍 @feb.unimas

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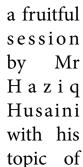
Throwback With Alumni The Series: To Recall, To Inspire

n 17th April 2021 and 24th April 2021, Society of Marketing Talent (SMART) has organised an alumni sharing session which is known as Throwbaek with Alumni the Series: To Recall, To Inspire. objectives of this event are to give insights to the students on the current working environment based on the alumnae' experiences, to inspire the students through the stories of the alumnae by sharing the tips to prepare for the world outside and to recall the memories of the alumnae and the current students while studying in the campus. The invited speakers for this event are Mr Cheng Wai Yip and Mr Haziq Husaini.

On 17th April 2021, the first slot of Throw Baekwith Alumni the Series: To Recall, To Inspire had been successfully ended at 4pm with the first alumni, Mr Cheng Wai Yip, with his sharing session on the working experiences at multinational company. On the next Saturday which was on 24th April 2021, the second slot had ended with



session by Mr with his







Exploring 101% of Your Opportunities. The webinar series had been organized by Society of Marketing Talent (SMART). Total audience who joined this webinar are 128 participants.











#MyHome: Poster and Video Competition





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n5th-19th May 2021, an online competition, #MyHome, is a poster and video competition had been organised by SMART for all UNIMAS undergraduate students. In light of the current situation, the COVID-19 pandemic has unable us to travel freely around the world. Indeed, we will reminisce all the good times we had experienced when we still had the freedom to travel. Therefore, we would like to take this opportunity to encourage students to showcase the beauty of their hometown or current residential places to elicit the interest of others. There would be two categories in this competition, poster and video. Participants are allowed to join either one category or both categories. This event is sponsored by Borneo Digital and Instax Fuji Film as the main sponsors. Other sponsors are Tapang Niaga Sdn Bhd, Ujanz Enterprise, Choose Dessert and Selawan Studio.

The event had gain 11 participations for poster category and other 11 participations for the video category. Total participations are 22. The winner of the competition will be announced by 4pm on 28th May 2021. The prizes are divided into two where the consolation prizes go to the

Best Cinematic Video and Best Content (Poster). The main prizes are RM 138 for the 2nd runner up, RM158 for the 1st runner up and for the Winner is RM 158 as well as Instax Mini 25 worth RM300.

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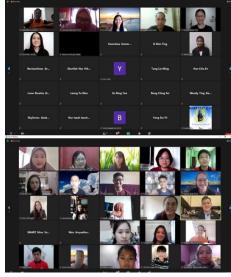
Fun Grooming: Preparation for Online Interview by SMART Report

Jun Grooming: Preparation for Online Fun Grooming. The February Interview took place on 17th February 2021. The original idea is actually to create a webinar session on how to prepare students for a common interview. The main objective of the event is to prepare students with tips on how to dress up properly for online interview. As the targeted audience for webinar is among 2nd and 3rd year students of FEB, the event is hoping to help students to prepare themselves for the upcoming internship interview especially in term of online interview due to the pandemic, by providing an expertise to share tips and techniques regarding to the topic. After joining the event, the participants mentioned that they able to get extra information in the scope of online interview.



Fun Grooming: Preparation for Online Interview also aim to give exposure on how to maintain the best attitude for online interview. Even though online interview might look simple and easy to some people, but it is important to maintain the best attitude especially when the interviewer can only see the face through the





webcam during the interview session, they will expect candidates to be more presentable and shows the best personality and attitudes during the session. Therefore, the event has helped participants to be more confident as well as maintaining the attitude by persuading the participants to turn on their camera during the sharing session.

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SICMA

SICMA PODCAST: THE ERA OF PANDEMIC, HOW ENTREPRENEURS SURVIVED? **DATE: 8 MARCH 2021** PLATFORM: YOUTUBE

n the 8th of March 2021. Society in Corporate Management (SICMA) released their first ever episode of SICMA Podcast with a Corporate Management alumni as the invited speaker, Suz Tan Su Yi. Suz Tan was also the first ever Vice Chairperson of SICMA back in 2017 and proud owner of 11ven Creation. 11ven Creation is a content producing company provides content that creation and planning services to their customer. In



this episode of SICMA Podcast, Suz shares on her journey post-graduation and companies which she had worked in, leading her to her successfully establishing 11ven Creation.

SICMA Podcast is a series in which SICMA aims to invite prominent and successful entrepreneurs, sharing on the struggles of entrepreneurs amidst the pandemic. Giving an insight on how they will navigate their way as entrepreneurs and perspective on the possibilities that may occur if the pandemic continues. During the first week of released, SICMA manage to garnered over 72 views on YouTube. SICMA wishes to continue the series by inviting more Corporate Management programme's alumni.

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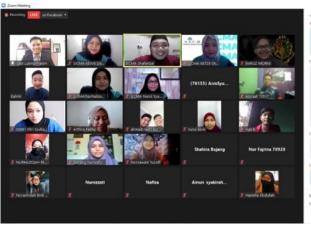
DATE: 24 APRIL 2021 TIME: 9AM-10:30AM

PLATFORM: ZOOM COMMUNICATION & FACEBOOK LIVE

For the month of Ramadhan, Society in Corporate Management (SICMA) in collaboration with Gerakan Belia Syabab K (GBSK), invited an honorary guest speaker, Ustaz Wan Lukmanhakim Bin Wan Sajali. This invited speaker is from Pegawai Belia Hikmah Sarawak who is also the current President of GBSK to share on knowledge in regards to the practices that can be done during the month of Ramadhan and its benefits. This programme held by SICMA aims to give an insight on how Muslim should utilise the holy month of Ramadhan by doing good deeds and avoiding unnecessary activities. He shared on Islamic Law according



to Quran and Hadith as well as explaining on how a Muslim should prepare themselves for the night of Lailatul Qadr, which is the last 10 important odd nights of the month of Ramadhan. The execution of the programme was successful and beneficial, from the sharing aspect as well as the Question and Answer session. SICMA was able to garnered 62 active participants to take part in this programme.











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FINACE

MOTIVATION BOOSTER TRICKS DURING ONLINE LEARNING WITH STIESIA

DATE: 29 MAY 2021 TIME: 9AM-12PM PLATFORM: WEBEX



Management (SICMA) invited two guest speakers to speak on the tips and tricks to boost student's motivation amidst Online Distance Learning due to the global pandemic. SICMA managed to outsource a speaker from one of UNIMAS's partner university, which is Sekolah Tinggi Ilmu Ekonomi Indonesia (STIESIA), as well as UNIMAS's own expert in counselling from Faculty of Social Sciences, UNIMAS. From STIESIA, SICMA manage to invite Mdm Emeralda Ayu Kasuma while from UNIMAS, SICMA invited Dr Farah Binti Zaini. During the session, both speakers would share on how to deal with procrastination

and what could be done to ensure students are motivated to learn despite the current changes of learning environment from their formal classroom setting. The second half of the session comprises of a QnA session which allows both speakers to have a forum discussion. SICMA was able to collect active participation from 98 participants with a positive responses from all participants. SICMA hopes to continue working closely with STIESIA for future programmes.

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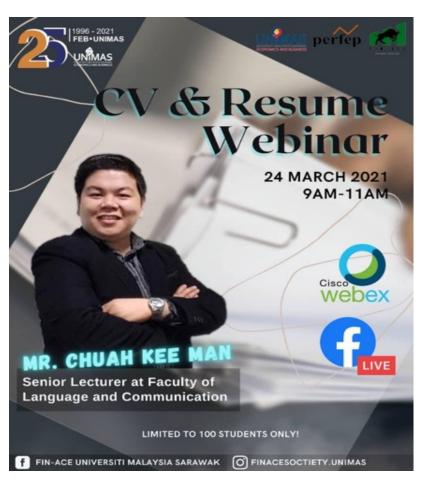


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Resume & Curricular Vitae Webinar

In the 24^{th} of March 2021, FinAce organized a webinar entitled "Resume & Curricular Vitae Webinar". The program director for this event was Jaycie Maxviarie Anak Janting. The speaker on that day was Mr. Chuah Kee Man, a senior lecturer of the Faculty of Language and Communication. The objective of the webinar was to equip students with the correct knowledge and technique to produce a good quality CV and resume. It also emphasized the importance of CVs and resumes in the job-seeking process. This online talk was conducted via Webex and was attended by 124 participants. Mr. Chuah Kee Man shared the importance of a Resume & CV and also taught the participants on how to



produce a good Resume & CV. He also shared with us informative slides that students are able to refer to after the program ended.







Building Blocks: Exploring Essential Soft Skills



n the 2nd of April 2021, FinAce collaborated with Applied Language Society (Apples), UiTM Shah Alam to organise a webinar on exploring essential soft skills to ensure workplace success. The director for this event was Elia Sari Binti Odita. The talk was given by Mr. Phang Wai Kheong from SGS Malaysia. He has been a trainer at SGS Malaysia for 20 plus years so naturally, many were keen on what he had to offer during the talk as spots were filled in less than 24 hours. The talk was conducted via Zoom at 3pm and was attended by 85 participants from UNIMAS and UiTM Shah Alam. Mr. Phang shared with us the 10 essential soft skills that are

needed at the workplace. He also explained the need to have a purpose in life, talked about personal development and touched on the different types of communication.



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Fin-Ace Junior Investment Series

Fin-Ace Junior Investment Series by inviting the speaker is Hajah Ieza Yusof or famously famous speakers that have experience in known as MJ (Mak Jerung), a financial coach financial coaching and in investment to that has 18 years of experience in finance deliver talks to the students. The director for courses and property investment. Lastly, this event was Siti Nurhaziqah Binti Yahya. the third webinar is Investing 101: Investing This webinar series contains three webinars. Basic for Beginners by Mr Razin Amran The first webinar is Money Matter: Financing who is a UNIMAS alumni that works at Your Adulthood and the speaker is Mr Fairuz Prudential as a Wealth Planner. Izwan, a Youth Banker Representative from

n 3rd, 4th and 10th April 2021, Fin-Ace Maybank. The second webinar is called Society organized a webinar entitled Breakthrough: The Secret in Financing,

Money Matter: Financing Your Adulthood

n the 3rd of April 2021, Fin-Ace Society launched a webinar series entitled Fin-Ace Junior Investment Series. The first topic of this series was entitled "Money Matters: Financing Your Adulthood". The talk was given by Mr Fairuz Izwan, a Youth Banker Representative at one of the biggest banks in Malaysia which is Maybank. He aims to instill an understanding of banking products as well as improving financial literacies amongst youth in Malaysia. The webinar was conducted via Webex for 2 hours and was attended by 245 participants from UNIMAS and Non-UNIMAS students.















Breakthrough: The Secret in Financing



n the 4th of April 2021, Fin-Ace Society held the second webinar of the Fin-Ace Junior Investment Series "Breakthrough: The secrets in Financing". The talk was given by Hajah Ieza Yusof or famously known as MJ (Mak Jerung). She is CEO & Founder of IEZA YUSOF CONSULTANT SDN BHD that has 20 years of experience as a financial consultant. Her vision is to expose students on how to become a multi-millionaire at young age by getting involved in property. The webinar was conducted via Zoom for 2 hours and was attended by 229 participants from UNIMAS and Non-UNIMAS students.







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Investing 101: Investing Basic for Beginners

n the 10th of April 2021, the third topic of the Investment series entitled "Investing 101 :Investing Basics for Beginners" was held. The talk was given by Mr Razin Amran who is a UNIMAS Finance alumni. He currently works as a wealth planner at one of the top unit trust consultants at Prudential. Other than that, he is also a business of Unplugged owner Coffee. The purpose of inviting him was to share with the students about his successful journey in Finance. During the webinar session, he explained about the Robert Kiyosaki cashflow



quadrant and his perspective towards it. The webinar was conducted via Webex for 2 hours and was attended by 225 participants from UNIMAS and Non-UNIMAS students.

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UNIMAC

EDUCATION JOURNEY- WHAT'S NEXT?

n 25 February and 27 February, UNIMAC had organized webinar sharing session from two speaker which are UNIMAS accounting lecturer, Dr Salawati and the alumni of UNIMAS, Madam Nur Shafiqah. This sharing session is focus on undergraduate students that curious about next level of education. master level. There are 81 participants joined the session. This webinar provided two different perception and from two type of master.

The first session with accounting lecturer is such informative session to the accounting students. The speaker gave an encouragement to students if cannot able to pursue for professional paper, master level can be an option. The involvement of the participants in this session was very encouraging.



The second session with the alumni is such a fruitful session. The speaker shared the experience as UNIMAS master and bachelor's degree student. There are tips and tricks from the speaker either to further study or working.

To conclude, the sharing session helped the students in gaining a better understanding of master level because the speaker was flooded with questions, especially during the first session.







Unimpeachable Master Championship

From 22nd until 23rd May 2021, UNIMAS Accounting Society (UNIMAC) had organized an e-sport tournament called Unimpeachable Master Championship (UNIMAC). Throughout this contest, UNIMAC had achieved the objectives such as help students release stress during online distance learning, expand student's talent in E-sport, increase engagement among students and the public, and increase the popularity of UNIMAC social media among students. This tournament includes two games which is PUBG mobile tournament and Mobile Lagend (ML) tournament. The live feed of this tournament was stream through UNIMAC's official Facebook page. A total of 267 participants had participated in this activity. Alliance Jin has become



PUBG mobile tournament champion followed by and Beast of Peace as the first runner up and Miri Mob as the second runner up while Esketit Bella has become ML tournament champion, followed by FVP as the first runner up and Omega Wakanda Brother as the second runner. Overall, this program was run smoothly considering it was the first-ever e-sport tournament held by.















Tax Transfer Pricing Webinar



14th April 2021, UNIMAS Accounting Society (UNIMAC) held a Tax Transfer Price Webinar by inviting Puan Siti Noorbaya, a tax manager at KPMG Malaysia. This event was conducted online and was attended by 71 people, all of them were UNIMAS students. Overall, the even went smoothly. Participants get a lot of information and clearer knowledge about tax transfer prices. Participants also communicated well with the speakers during the event. In addition, the speaker did a great job as she was able to answer every question asked calmly despite having bad connection. Although the number of participants did not reach the target, but this webinar was a great experience for those who never know about tax transfer pricing.











MAKEUP TIPS & TRICKS



n March 27th 2021, the UNIMAS Accounting Society (UNIMAC) has organised a workshop related to self-management entitled "Makeup Tips & Tricks' This program aims to increase the students' skills in makeup and increase the knowledge of the importance of makeup especially for important occasion such as meeting clients, interview, presentations and et cetera. This will help the students to look presentable and professional especially in making first impression during job interview.

Throughout the program, the student had gained more in-depth exposure regarding the main topic discussed by the speaker, Nisa Cha, a makeup artist (MUA) that has been invited specifically for this program. The speaker guides the participants step by step in how to obtain



excellent looks. A total of 83 participants had participated in this program. This program is a complete success and able to arouse the participants' makeup. interest in

number of participants includes both male and female students. Thus, showing that improving self-confidence and marketability through simple makeup is important to both genders. As the session ended for the day, all participants were happy and excited to apply their new skills to the test.

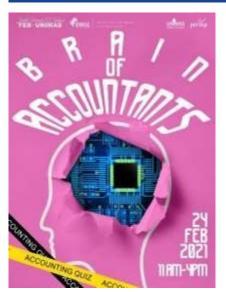






VIRTUAL ACCOUNTING WEEK 2021 (UNIMAS ACCOUNTING SOCIETY'S FIRST EVER)





In conjunction of raction, Economics & Business (FEB) Silver Jubilee, UNIMAS Accounting Society (UNIMAC) has organized a one-week program packed with various activities entitled Virtual Accounting Week 2021 with the theme Dare to Dream. There were five subprograms held on the last week of February starting on 22nd February until 28th February 2021. The Virtual Accounting Week hits of its' first day of the week with the UNIMAC Webinar Series with Miss Serena Wu and Mr. Izzad Shamsuddin from CPA Australia. Miss Serena was so delightful to share a topic on "Going Beyond Numbers" as she talked about the insight of CPA Australia and the emerging role of accountants while Mr. Izzad shared his real-life experience on how to become the partner of Deloitte

at the age of 32, which is one of the youngest partners, and his exciting life as an accountant and licensed auditor. The session was attended by 100 participants, mostly UNIMAS and UiTM accounting students. On the second day, another two webinar series were held that received a lot of warm welcomes from both the participants and from respective speakers. During the morning session, Mr. Anil Nair from the Talent Department of KPMG Petaling Jaya, has shared the story of the company and the employability skills nowadays. On the other hand, during the evening session, Mr. Teddy Edwin Chapun as the senior executive of Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA) has shared the steps required by accounting students to become a member of the institute.

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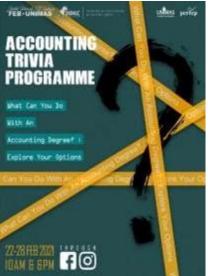


Next, on Wednesday, we have the one and only competition held in this week which is the Brain of Accountants where the participants went through 3 stages of quizzes and the Top 3 winner had received a cash prize up to RM100. Moreover, we also had session of Education of Journey - What's Next?, where we had a sharing session starred by our very own lecturer, Dr. Salawati Binti Sahari and respected alumni, Mdm Nur Shafiqah binti Tukino.

Furthermore, Internship Start-up Package where we had Microsoft Excel Online Workshop with our passionate accounting lecturers: Dr Sharon Cheuk and Dr. Damien Lee and a sharing session on internship experience with an FEB Alumni; Ms. Rukkumani A/P Thannirmalai. Last but not least, we have an Accounting Trivia held every day of the week on the UNIMAC's official Facebook and Instagram. The program has managed to engage with the accounting students through the social media by providing fascinating fun facts about the accounting world.

The Virtual Accounting Week 2021 ended with a closing ceremony on the Sunday afternoon attended by our Deputy Dean of Students Affair and Alumni; Dr. Norazirah. On behalf of the Virtual Accounting Week committee members, we would like to sincerely thank everyone who has contributed to the success of this event.













THEME MOVIE NIGHT

n 16th and 23rd May 2021, **UNIMAS Accounting Society** (UNIMAC) held a Theme Movie Night for 2 days with a theme for a week. This event was conducted online and was attended by 16 people on 16th May and 17 on 23rd May, and all of them is UNIMAS Students. Although the number of participants did not reach target, but this event was a great platform for

the participants to relax their mind during their tough time. Overall, the event went smoothly. Participants get to watch new movies with us. Although the number of participants registered via our registration form was little but few participants walk-in our event on this day.















AKUSAHAWAN

FEB GOTTALENT





From 1st to 14th March 2021, 🗘 AKUsahawan had organized **FEB** Tik Tok Got **Talent** This competition competition. is open to all FEB students only. Participants can upload their video in our provided Google form from 1st to 11th March, they can collect likes for their videos from public in the left days.

In this competition, participants show their talent in their video, such as cooking, singing, drawing, and other video skills. All the videos posted to AKUsahawan's Tik Tok account, and participants can share the video link with the public to collect likes.

The evaluation method of video is through the number of likes to videos and juries' evaluation marks. The higher number of





likes, the higher marks in the evaluation. Madam Aileen Anne Anak Jinggong, Dr Janifer anak Lunyai, Hazim Bin Mohamad, and Nur Atiqah Binti Suhardy are the juries who in charge in this competition.

Muhammad Firdaus Bin Tazutdin, Vironica Bangan Anak Joseph, Melanie Anak Lenon. There are the top 3 winners in this competition. They perform cooking, sewing, and singing in their creative videos. We feel grateful to all participants and juries who took their time to participate in this competition. We hope this competition brings back fond memories for everyone.







AKUsahawan Online Store is opening now!

KUsahawan Online Store is an online **1** platform which is selling merchandises of FEB. AKUsahawan Online Store has its grand opening on 26th April 2021 at 8am and has its official launching on 21st May 2021 during the closing ceremony of Entrepreneurship week 2021. AKUsahawan Online Store is launched by the Dean of FEB, Profesor Madya Dr. Rossazana Bt Ab Rahim. In this year, AKUsahawan Online Store is having FEB Silver Jubilee 25 Years Goodies Pre-order Sale 2021 Program. This program is selling limited edition merchandises to celebrate FEB Silver Jubilee 25 Years. Merchandises that are sold during FEB Silver Jubilee 25 Years including T-shirt (long sleeve and short sleeve), towel, notepad, pouch and tote bag. This selling





program is by batch and pre-order. It is opened to students in FEB and also students from other faculty in UNIMAS. Students are required to filled in the google form provided in AKUsahawan Online Store and paid for the deposit in order to make an order.

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ENTREPRENEURSHIP WEEK 2021



ntrepreneurship Week 2021 (EW →2021) was held to give exposure to our students about the entrepreneurship field and introduce the AKUsahawan Club to all. As it is known, the introduction of entrepreneurship is one of the important aspects to produce aspiring entrepreneurs as well as to become an encouragement to our future graduates who are looking forward to build a career in

the business field. Moreover, this event was held to developed the latest news, and trends regarding entrepreneurship presented by some of our distinguished speakers such as Mr. Bryan Loo of Tealive and Mr. Roydy Bin Ismail of Tusan Icecream. Also, we have invite





some business expert such as Muhammad Hanif Parhin to share how to use WhatsApp for business purpose, Mr Kent Tan Wai Kiat to share the business topic in business field and others. We often get to have established CEOs in Malaysia and business experts to share their experience and thoughts about their entrepreneurship journey and business knowledge.

On first day, 17th May 2021. The first event of EW 2021 is happening with Business Webinar with PwC Malaysia. The program was organized from 9:30 am to 11:00 am via Zoom. This program has received participation from UNIMAS students as well as the public. This program aims to give awareness to students about hot issues that will have an impact in business. The guest speaker for the program was Mr. Kent Tan Wai Kiat. He is the manager of campus engagement lead, PwC Malaysia. A total of 65 participants attended the program.





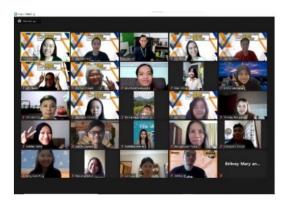






Journey from Zero: Ahmad Tamar is a program organized on May 17, 2021 from 2 pm to 3:30 pm, via Zoom. The program has received participation from UNIMAS students as well as the public. This program aims to share her Kurma business journey and the secrets as a successful local entrepreneur. The panel for this program is Madam Syarifah Nurfaizah. She is a UNIMAS Alumni student and currently is co-founder of Ahmad Tamar Sdn Bhd. A total of 128 participants attended the program.





On the 2nd day for Entrepreneurship Week, the Tauke Talks: Tusan Icecream program was organized on May 17, 2021 from 9:30 am to 11:00 am via Zoom. The program has received participation from UNIMAS students and public. This program aims to share his Icecream business journey and the secrets of successful local entrepreneur. The panel for this program is Mr. Roydy Bin Ismail. He is the founder of the Tusan Icecream business. A total of 78 participants attended the program.





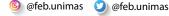
On the evening of the second Day of Entrepreneurship Week, the program Chit Chat: Reengineering Profit in was organized through Zoom. The program will held in 1 hour 30 minutes from 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm. The program is conducted to provide exposure for effective business financial management. The guest speaker for this program is Mr. Ahmad Syubaili Bin Mohamed. He is a Lecturer of Accounting at FEB UNIMAS, and also an advisor to the AKUsahawan Club. A total of 65 participants attended the program.





Next, the Escape Puzzle Room Competition program was held on May 18, 2021 from 4pm to 5pm, via Zoom. This program has received participation from UNIMAS students. The purpose of this program is to invigorate the mind and foster cooperation as well as assess IQ. A total of 14 participants attended the program. There are 3 pairs have been selected for the winners in this competition. Johan's place was won by Group 3 which consisted of Leow Pei Yen and Bridney Chow Yi Ying. Second place was won by Group 5 namely Tan Jing Yee and Oh Mei Jin. Third place is group 2, namely Tang Siew Ping and Teo Xue Qi.















On the third day, EW 2021 had a very large and lively participation in the Startup Stories with Mr Bryan Loo program. The program was organized on May 19, 2021 from 9:30 am to 11:00 am via Zoom. This program has received participation from UNIMAS students as well as the public. This program aims to share the story of his journey and the secret of his success. The guest speaker for the program was Mr. Bryan Loo Woi Lip. He is the CEO of Tealie Asia, Loob Holding Sdn Bhd. A total of 119 participants attended the program and it was the most extensive program with the most participants.





At 2 p.m., EW 2021 continues with the Stepping Into Leadership: Investing In Youth through Zoom program. The purpose of this program is to share about leadership among young people. This program has received participation from UNIMAS students as well as the public. The guest speaker for the program was Mr. Koh Mui Han. He is a principal consultant of Change Dynamic Consultant. A total of 78 participants attended the program.





Business Kahoot 2.0 is a continuation program from Businesss Kahoot 1.0 held by AKUsahawan Club before. The program was organized on May 19, 2021 from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm through Zoom and Kahoot. This program has received participation from UNIMAS students. This program aims to test the level of basic knowledge in business and provide exposure to new business knowledge. A total of 52 participants attended the program. 3 winners were selected based on the highest score in the Kahoot quiz. First place goes to Nicholas Chin Wei Jie, Second Place goes to Yong Foo Hon and Third Place goes to Kong Ying Ying.





The next day, EW 2021 continued with a webinar from a business expert, Mr. Hanif Parhin. He is the CEO of Acceptby. He presented a topic titled How to use WhatsApp for Business I WhatsApp Business App Tutorial for Small Business. This program aims to provide exposure to the effective and efficient use of WhatsApp in business. The program was organized on May 20, 2021 from 9:30 am to 11:30 am via Zoom. The program received participation from UNIMAS students as well as public. A total of 92 participants attended the program.



















Next, we continue the webinar session with Shopee Malaysia. Ms. Atikah Sikun as a uni trainer will provide exposure on how to start a business with the e-commerce platform Shopee. The program was organized on May 20, 2021 from 2pm to 4pm via Zoom. The program received participation from UNIMAS students and the general public as many as 92 people.





On the last day of EW 2021, we will have a webinar with Mr Amirul Mokhtar entitled Stage One Startup: Digital Marketing. Mr. Amirul Mokhtar is the CEO of Aminiz Digital. The program was organized on May 21, 2021 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. via Zoom. The participant will know the importance of digital marketing for business, digital marketing channels, and digital marketing strategy after participating in this program. The program received participation from UNIMAS students as well as the public. A total of 78 participants attended the program.







Apart from the morning session, we also have another program in the afternoon session. This program is the last program for EW 2021. "POWER UP! Positive Mindset Bring Up to Success "was organized on 21 May 2021 from 2pm to 4pm via Zoom. This program is open to UNIMAS students as well as the general public. This program aims to present a topic on how to have positive thinking and how to achieve success through this positive thinking. The guest speaker for the program was Mr. Chua Kee Man. He is a lecturer of Faculty of Language and Communication. A total of 101 participants attended the program.









The Closing Ceremony of Entrepreneurship Week 2021 and the Launching of AKUsahawan Online Store was completed by Dean of FEB, Associate Professor Dr. Rossazana Bt Ab Rahim. The ceremony was also attended by Deputy Dean of Student Affairs and Alumni, Dr Janifer anak Lunyai, Advisors of Persatuan Mahasiswa Fakulti Perniagaan dan Ekonomi (PERFEP), Madam Esmie Obrin Nicol and Ms Joanne Shaza Janang, Advisor of AKUsahawan Club, Mr. Ahmad Syubaili Bin Mohamed, PERFEP exco and fellows students.

The ceremony began with the commencement of the national anthem Negaraku followed by UNIMAS gemilang. After that, opening remarks by the programme director of EW 2021 Chong Jia Chen. Next is the speech by Profesor Madya Dr Rossazana and officiate the closing of EW 2021 and the launch of AKUsahawan Online Store.





After that, the ceremony announced the competition for Business Kahoot 2.0 and Escape Puzzle Room Competition. Congratulations to all the winners. We have come to the end of closing ceremony. Before leaving, we have a photo session to commemorate this event. Hopefully will have such an event like this in the future.





POSTGRADUATE NEWS

FEB Big Welcome & Postgraduate Orientation Week

The FEB's Big Welcome & Orientation Week is the first step towards transitioning L as a postgraduate student into a campus life with rich experiences. To ensure that the students are able to gain the most from their time here at FEB, we have lined up a comprehensive and exciting orientation programme to help settle them in and to get them started with their life as a postgraduate student.

The orientation is also supported by the FEB's Orientation Leaders who are a team of management representatives working collaboratively with Student Development Hub to assist new postgraduate students in their transition to university life during orientation week.

Orientation eases new students' transition and settling into FEB's education system, and the life and culture at our FEB Campus. It is a great chance to meet other new postgraduate students virtually and learn their way around.













Welcome to FEB!

We are delighted that numerous numbers of postgraduate students across the globe have chosen FEB and we want to give them the best introduction we can to how FEB works and what their time as a postgraduate student will be like.

Moreover, FEB elite academicians and staffs are ready and geared up to support the postgraduate students throughout their first E-orientation. Line-ups of engagement activities are prepared for the students, where FEB will navigate them and give them the best first-year experience!



Proposal Defense

20/01/2021 (Session 1)



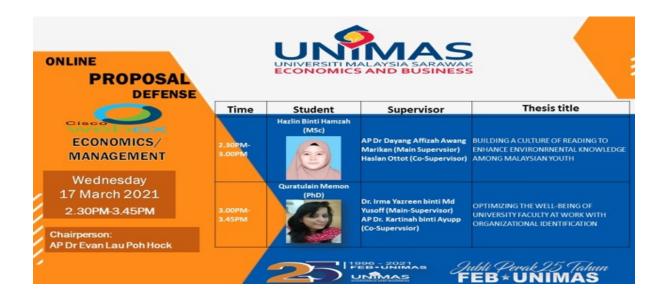




20/01/2021 (Session 2)



17/3/2021 (Session 1)









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Viva

19/1/2021



Congratulations to Mr Awais Ur Rehman who has passed his PhD viva thesis examination on 19 January 2021 under the supervision of AP Muhammad Abdullah Zaidel (Main Supervisor) AND Prof Dr Mohamad bin Jais (Co-Supervisor).

Thesis title: Distance to Default of Malaysian Corporate Sukuk Issuers: The Role of Corporate Governance and Corporate Social Sustainability External Examiner 1: Prof Dr. Rosalan bin Ali - UiTM, Shah Alam External Examiner 2: Dr Irwan

Trinugroho Universitas Sebelas Maret, Indonesia

Internal Examiner: Prof Dr

Abu Hassan bin Md Isa

Chairperson: AP Dr Rossazana

Ab Rahim











24/2/2021



Congratulations to Miss Ling Seok King who has passed her PhD viva thesis examination on 24th February 2021 under the supervision of Dr Rayenda Khresna (Main Supervisor) Brahmana AND AP Dr Puah Chin Hong (Co-Supervisor).

title: Predicting Thesis determinants of educational loan repayments performance among Malaysian graduates

External Examiner 1: Assoc Prof Dr Siti Nurazira Mohd Daud -UUM

External Examiner 2: Assoc Prof Dr Mohd Rahimie bin Abd Karim - UMS

Internal Examiner: Assoc Prof Dr

Rossazana bt Ab Rahim

Chairperson: Prof Dr Mohamad

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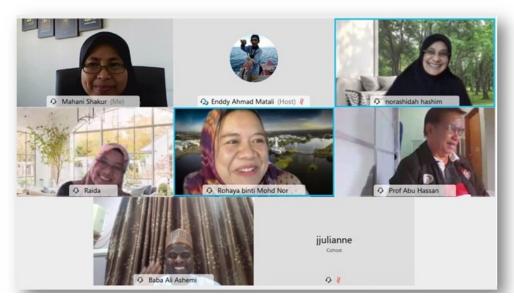








10/3/2021





Congratulations to Baba Ali Ashemi who has passed his PhD viva thesis examination on 10th March 2021 under the supervision of AP Dr. Rohaya binti Mohd Nor (Main Supervisor) AND AP Dr Harry Entebang (Co-Supervisor).

Thesis title: Women Entrepreneurship Motivation and Challenges in The Context of Boko Haram Conflict in Northeast Nigeria

External Examiner 1: Assoc. Prof Dr Norasidah Binti Hashim (UUM)

External Examiner 2: Dr Raida binti Abu Bakar– UM

Internal Examiner: Dr. Mahani

binti Abdu Shakur

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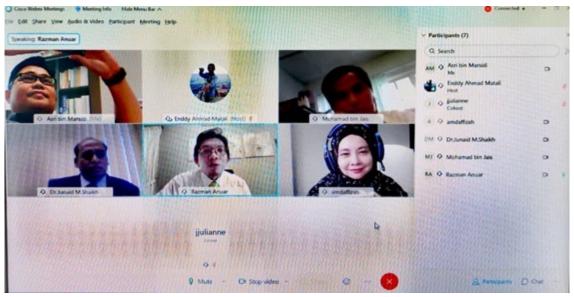








23/3/2021





Congratulations to Mr Razman Bin Anuar who has passed his MSc viva thesis examination on 23rd March 2021 under the supervision of Prof Dr. Mohamad bin Jais (Main Supervisor) AND AP Mr Michael Anak Tinggi (Co-Supervisor).

Thesis title: Impact of Non-Current Assets on the Performance of Firms In Malaysian Construction Sector

External Examiner: Assoc. Prof Dr Junaid M Shaikh (University

Technology of Brunei)

Internal Examiner: Dr. Asri

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Chairperson: AP Dr Dayang

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31/3/2021



Congratulations to Ms Nur Dalila Binti Mat Yusoff who has passed her PhD viva thesis examination on 31st March 2021 under the supervision of Dr Hamrila binti Abdul Latip (Main Supervisor) AND Dr Norizan Binti Jaafar (Co-Supervisor).

Thesis title: Food Hawkers' Behaviour towards Environmentally Friendly Food Packaging: Personal Value as a Mediator

External Examiner 1: Assoc. Prof Dr Noraini Abu Talib (UTM)

External Examiner 2: Assoc. Prof Dr Kalsom Abd Wahab-**USIM**

Internal Examiner: Dr Sharizal

bin Hashim

Chairperson: Prof Dr Abu

Hassan Bin Md Isa











24/5/2021



Congratulations to Ms Nur Farrahanie bte Ahmad Tarmizi who has passed her PhD viva thesis examination on 24th May 2021 under the supervision Rayenda Khresna Dr Brahmana.

Thesis title: Assessing the Environmental and Firm Performance: Moderating **Effects of Political Connections**

External Examiner 1: Professor Dr Doddy Setiawan (Universitas Sebelas Maret)

External Examiner 2: AP Corina Joseph (UiTM Dr Cawangan Kota Samarahan)

Internal Examiner: Dr Salawati

binti Sahari

Professor Dr Chairperson:

Mohamad Jais





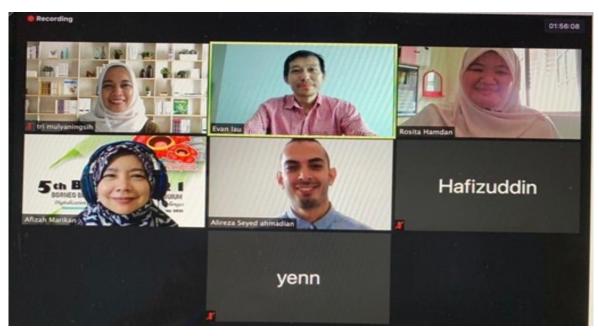








28/5/2021





Congratulations to Mr Seyed Alireza Seyed Ahmadian who has passed his MSc viva thesis examination on 28th May 2021 under the supervision of Dr Rosita bt. Hamdan Supervisor) (Main and Dr Jerome Kueh Swee Hui (Co-Supervisor).

Thesis title: Determinants of Malaysian Exchange Rate External Examiner : Dr Tri Mulyaningsih- Universitas Sabelas Maret

Internal Examiner: Assoc Prof Dr Dayang Affizzah binti Awang Marikan

Chairperson: Assoc Prof Dr Evan Lau Poh Hock

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MQAVA audit of MSc & PhD programmes



MSc and PhD Programmes for Business & Administration National Education Code (NEC code 340) which include Accounting, Finance, Management and Marketing field of studies were audited by MQA on 8-9 APRIL 2021.

Congratulations to Dr Muhammad Asraf bin Abdullah and the Faculty Postgraduate Committee (JKPS) team led by AP Dr Dayang Affizzah binti Awang Marikan. Gratitude also conveyed to task force members who prepare documents of MSc and PhD programs including Prof Mat Jais, AP Dr Kartinah, AP Dr Liew, Dr Sophee, Dr Sharizal, Dr Norizan, Dr Khairul, Dr Rayendra, Dr Damien Lee and Dr Kyra Sin.

Well done FEB on the full accreditation certificate for both Master of Science (FA14684) and Doctor of Philosophy (FA14664) programs.



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Postgraduate Association of Faculty of Economics and Business (PAFEB) **Seminar Series**

The Postgraduate Seminar Series is designed to facilitate informal discussion in a supportive and friendly environment. It is also a primary source of information - both from experienced postgraduate, colleagues, and from members of staff - about events, opportunities, developments within the school and administrative matters relevant to research.

It is our great pleasure to thank our respective speakers for taking the time to share some useful tips and tricks that are useful for our postgraduate students as they journey their postgraduate path. Indeed, all sessions are beneficial and provide in depth insights on what students need to know in order to grasp better understanding on their research topic.

PAFEB SEMINAR SERIES 1-2021



Title: Sharing of Experience on 'Journey as a Postgraduate Scholar' Date: 15th January 2021(Friday)

> Time: 10am - 11am Platform: Via Webex

Speaker: Ian Gerard Umpang, PhD Scholar, Faculty of Economics & Business

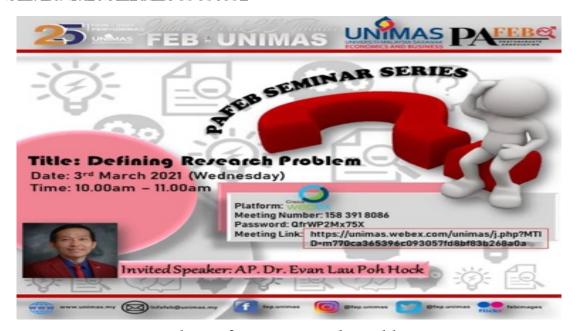








PAFEB SEMINAR SERIES 2-2021



Title: Defining Research Problem Date: 3rd February 2021(Wednesday)

> Time: 10am - 11am Platform: Via Webex

Speaker: AP Dr Evan Lau Poh Hock, Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Economics & Business

PAFEB SEMINAR SERIES 3-2021



Title: Managing Stress

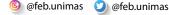
Date: 3rd February 2021(Wednesday)

Time: 10am - 11am Platform: Via Webex

Speaker: Dr Hamrila binti Abdul Latip, Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Economics &

Business



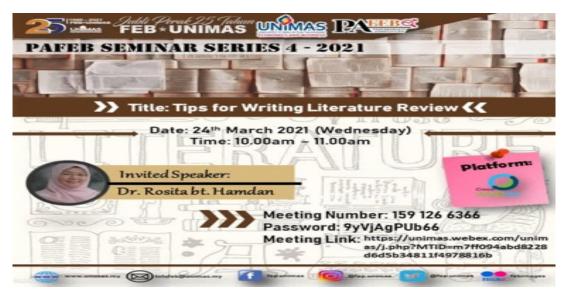








PAFEB SEMINAR SERIES 4-2021



Title: Tips for Writing Literature Review Date: 24th March 2021(Wednesday)

> Time: 10am - 11am Platform: Via Webex

Speaker: Dr Rosita binti Hamdan, Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Economics & Business

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5th Borneo Business Research Colloquium (BBRC) 2021

The Borneo Business Research Colloquium (BBRC) is an annual event organized by Faculty of Economics and Business (FEB), Universiti Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS) and the 5th Borneo Business Research Colloquium (BBRC) was on $25^{th} - 26^{th}$ May, 2021. BBRC serves as a forum for all postgraduates and researchers to enhance their networks, expertise and research confidence. BBRC has been organized in four consecutive years since its inception in 2016 except in 2020 where the colloquium has been postponed owing to Covid-19. Suitable with physical distancing measure, this year's BBRC will be organized virtually via online presentation.



Online presentation is an effective and commonly used way of disseminating research in both academic and non-academic contexts. Distilling your research into an informative and visually engaging presentation of slideshows can be a challenge, but it can also be an effective way to extend your intuition and illustrate the impact of your work. The online colloquium enables the participants to leverage their ICT skills to effectively present their research outcomes to the audience. All entries will be reviewed by our qualified reviewers from your respective field of studies. On top of that, there will be Best Awards recognition such as Best Paper Awards, Best Presenter Awards and Best 3 Minutes Thesis Competition Awards.

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Welcoming Speech by Dean of FEB- Associate Professor Dr. Rossazana Bt Ab Rahim

"I would like to extend my warmest welcome to all distinguished guests and participants of the 5th Borneo Business Research Colloquium, 2021 (5th BBRC, 2021), which is jointly organized this year on 25th - 26th May 2021 by the Faculty of Economics and Business, Universiti Malaysia Sarawak, Universiti Teknologi MARA Cawangan Sarawak, Sekolah Tinggi Ilmu Ekonomi Indonesia, Surabaya (STIESIA) and Universitas Malikussaleh." "BBRC serves as a forum for all postgraduates and researchers to enhance their networks, expertise and research confidence. BBRC has been organized in four consecutive years since its inception in 2016 except in 2020 where the colloquium has been postponed owing to Covid-19. Suitable with physical distancing measure, this year BBRC will be organized virtually."

"The chosen theme for this year's colloquium is "Digitalization of Research in New Norms and Challenges". On a broader spectrum, this colloquium would serve as a platform for inspiring discussion on issues pertinent to Economics, Accounting & Finance and Business Management."









Keynote Sessions

Keynote 1

Poverty Alleviation and Economic Resilence in the "New' Normal

Dato' Dr.Madeline Berma Honorary Professor UNIMAS

This presentation focuses on three issues: the impact of Covid-19 pandemic on the Malaysian economy, the government's response to address the pandemic, and the stimulus packages to revitalise, recover and reform from the Covid-19 pandemic. The presentation begins by conceptualising the health-economic nexus of the Covid-19 pandemic. It highlights the short- and long-term impact of the pandemic on Malaysians and the economy, and the need to "flatten" both the health and economic curves. This will be followed by a discussion of the Government of Malaysia's approach and responses to the pandemic to safeguard the livelihood of Malaysians and support economic recovery. The presentation concludes by proposing policy actions to alleviate poverty, strengthen economic resilence and enable the Malaysian economy to "bounce back" from the COVID-19 pandemic and accelerate economic recovery.



Keynote 2

Managing Sustainable Tourism Destinations in Indonesia during Pandemic of Covid-19

Dr Sulistyo Budi Utomo STESIA, Indonesia

Since the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak in Indonesia on early March 2020, many social activities that involved large group of people were restricted, flights canceled and refunded, and tourism destinations closed. To stop the spread of Covid-19 Indonesian Government implemented Large-Scale Social Restrictions (PSBB) lasting for months. This policy prevented people from traveling. Thus, it had impacted Indonesia tourism industry in general. Hotels went bankrupt as no tourists at the destinations including Bali (The World's popular destination). As a results, employees lost their jobs and Indonesia tourism industry is at stake. To mitigate this problems, tourism industry is now using digital marketing to promote the destinations. This concept is to keep tourism destination sustainability and expectedly to attract tourists visit post-pandemic of Covid-19.



Hence, many destinations are now offering virtual tours by using different platforms such as Zoom and Google Meet implemented by the Jakarta Good Guide and TelusuRI. In addition, museums and tourist destinations both national and international also provide similar services. Using qualitative methodology by conducting online interviews and observations, this research explores the participants' experiences with the virtual tour. The result shows that the loss of actual travel sensation, no physical photo experience at the destinations, and unstable internet connection were some of the issues. Although virtual tour can never replace traditional travel, it still provides an interesting advantages. Through virtual tour, people are still able to enjoy a piece of relaxation during quarantine period. As an alternative tourism during COVID-19, virtual tour also helps those with physical limitation do traveling and reduce carbon footprint. In summary, virtual tour is one of the strategies to help Indonesia tourism industry to sustain during the pandemic as there are some small charges to access this service and it will be distributed to impacted local people at the destinations. Perhaps, this strategy can be implemented elsewhere.











Keynote 3

Dr. Mohd. Heikal, Head of Management Department of Economics and Business Faculty, Universitas Malikussaleh, Aceh-Indonesia.

Dr. Heikal is the head of the Center for Small Medium Enterprises at Universitas Malikussaleh (UKMC). His experience in assisting microentrepreneurs is enormous. The agency has collaborated with several large companies in Indonesia in implementing their CSR programs. Currently he is entrusted with managing the management department at Universitas Malikussaleh where the department with the highest number of students and lecturers has the best accreditation rating. He has an excellent background in strategic management and marketing knowledge. His concentration and dedication in assisting micro and small entrepreneurs in Aceh is very high.

Previously, he was assigned with honor to lead the university's quality assurance institution, where all university quality is his responsibility. And his success has succeeded in bringing Universitas Malikusaleh to a good accreditation ranking nationally. And currently he is also a national assessor of higher education in Indonesia (Lembaga Akreditasi Mandiri Ekonomi, Manajemen, Bisnis dan Akuntansi/LAMEMBA)



Islamic Economics Research: Contribution to Elevate The Welfare of Global Society

Presentation Summary

The importance of research cannot be separated from the development of science in general and has an impact on the development of human civilization. The more the quality of a research study can be ensured, the more significant its influence will be on the development of human civilization. Therefore, it is imperative to ensure that a study is carried out based on research best practices. There are three research topics in the category of Islamic economics that dominate globally, namely the philosophy of Islamic economics, Islamic economics and monetary policy as well as the impact of Islamic economic policies on general economic conditions. However, in detail, the research topic of Islamic economics includes Islamic economics and epistemology, Islamic economic history, political economy, gold and monetary policy, deposits and monetary policy, Islamic finance and economic growth and economic policy and financial stability. The concept of Islamic Economics basically offers ethical and fair values in all aspects of the economy. Ethical values are also embedded in the concept of Islamic economics in the management of state finances so that the welfare of all its people can be realized. Providing value of research that has been and will be carried out the following suggestion might be considered; 1. There should be an institution that manages research results both regionally and globally in the form of a data bank so that replication and repetition of the same research is no longer necessary. 2. Collaboration in conducting research is very important. The inclusion of stakeholders in a study will certainly produce findings that are more applicable in policy application.

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Keynote 4

Sarawak Indian Muslim Entrepreneur: Revealing Secrets of **Business Sustainability in Digital Era**

AP. Dr. Haji Jati Kasuma Ali Universiti Teknologi MARA Cawangan Sarawak



Keynote 5

Digitalization, Pandemic and Research

AP Dr. Evan Lau Poh Hock UNIMAS

Abstract

Over a decade ago, smartphones do not exist while three decades before that, no one owned a personal computer. Nowadays, most of the us have personal devices that fit on our wrists that are just as powerful as the 'supercomputer' from the 1980s. The rise of technological revolution has enabled individuals, businesses and governments to do things differently, often more efficiently. Coupled with the recent pandemic further disrupt and shocked the society where it leaves no one behind, leading to economic damage and health crisis. As we are in the era of VUCA (volatility, uncertainty, complexity and ambiguity), we are call for rethinking research and development strategies in new normal growth trajectory. The pandemic is also accelerating the urgency for agility, adaptability and transformation into digital front for research journey. Promoting and fostering research partnership that cut across discipline and domain would be the way forward towards more resilience, equitable, inclusive and sustainable development pathways post-pandemic. To this end, the twin disruption is here to stay- it is time to act and turn it into opportunity.













Workshops

Workshop 1 Supervisor-Student Communication Dr Widyana Verawaty Siregar Universitas Malikussaleh, Indonesia	
Workshop 2 SEM/SMART PLS Professor T Ramayah Universiti Sains Malaysia FEB visiting Professor	
Workshop 3 Introduction to Meta Regression Analysis Dr Abdul Jabbar Abdullah Universiti Teknologi MARA Cawangan Sarawak	
Workshop 4 Doing Research by using Qualitative Method Dr. Sulistyo Budi Utomo STESIA, Indonesia	









List of 5th BBRC 2021 Winners





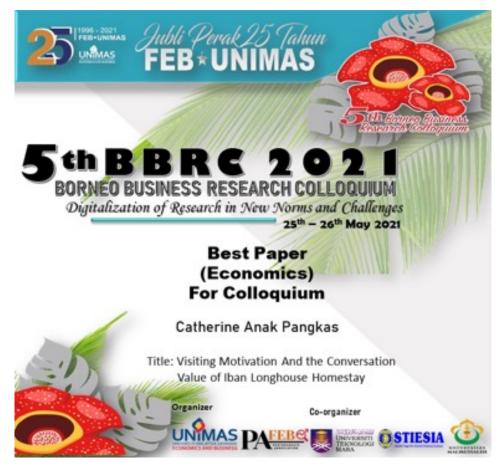
































Congratulations to all winners and participants, your presence has made this event a success.











