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Conferment of Honorary Doctor of Management

Tan Sri Dato’ Seri Aseh receives an honorary degree at the 13th IUKL Convocation.

Gold FOR SEVEN LAYERS OF HEAVEN

Academician Dato’ Ir. (Dr.) Lee shares Infrastructure Development in South Countries.

IUKL Tractors Crowned Champions!

Pst!
Check out what our ‘Smile for IUKL’ Campaign committee has been up to on pages 10 & 11!
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Greetings!

I am happy to bring you the first issue of Communique for the year 2016. Thanks to those who have contributed as these contributions are essential to the newsletter’s success.

This issue will be covering the events and achievements of our students and the university from July 2015 to March 2016.

Congratulations to all those who have received awards since the last edition of the newsletter. IUKL shares your joy for your achievements and hopes to hear more good news. You may also read about the past achievements in this newsletter in case you have missed out.

The featured article of this issue is IUKL’s 13th convocation held on September 5th, 2015 where the former President of Putrajaya Corporation, Tan Sri Datuk Seri Panglima (Dr.) Aseh was conferred the Honorary Doctor of Management for his numerous contributions to our beloved country Malaysia.

Other exciting announcements in this newsletter are our students and staff winning awards at prestigious platforms such as the ‘Royal Floria 2015’, the ‘14th International Conference and Exposition on Inventions by Institutions of Higher Learning (PECIPTA 2015)’, and the ‘Infrastructure University Innovation and Invention Competition (IUIC 2015)’. One of our students has also recently won the ‘Best Postgraduate Thesis’ at the national level. For achievements in the sports arena, do read page 13.

I am very proud of all that’s been achieved by our staff and students. I believe that you will continue to “reach out for the stars” and never give up on your dreams.

I hope you’ll enjoy reading this issue. Happy reading!

“For Knowledge, For Humanity”
5 September 2015 was a significant day for the 840 graduates of IUKL as they received their PhDs, Masters, Bachelor Degrees, and Diplomas from the Chancellor of IUKL, Y. Bhg. Tan Sri Datuk Ir. (Dr.) Wan Abdul Rahman bin Wan Yaacob, and the Pro-Chancellor of IUKL, Y. Bhg. Academician Datuk Ir. (Dr.) Lee Yee Cheong, at the 13th IUKL convocation ceremony.

The graduation ceremony was held in three sessions. The conferment of PhDs, Masters and Bachelor of Civil Engineering (Hons) was completed in the first session and was presided by the Chancellor. The presentation of the Chancellor’s Award and the Vice-Chancellor’s Award to the top students was also presented in this session. This year is also a momentous one for IUKL as the first Honorary Doctorate was conferred. The Honorary Doctor of Management was conferred to Y. Bhg. Tan Sri Datuk Seri Panglima (Dr.) Aseh bin Hj. Che Mat, the former President of Putrajaya Corporation.

The Pro-Chancellor conferred the Bachelor Degrees for other programmes in the second session and diploma programmes in the third session in the afternoon.

The Chancellor’s Award recipient was Ann Teh Yin Li (Bachelor of Civil Engineering (Hons)) who was also the Valedictorian of the year, and the Vice-Chancellor’s Award recipients were Fatimah Aliaa binti Azlan (Bachelor of Communication (Hons) in Corporate Communication), Abdul Salaam (Bachelor of Technology (Hons) in Construction Management), Chai Kah Wai (Diploma in Architecture), and Kor Pui Yeng (Diploma in Corporate Communication).

For the second year now, IUKL has introduced the Industrial Awards, which are given by our industry partners to reward students who have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement as well as active co-curricular involvement. The seven recipients of these awards were Muhammad Zaki bin Ismail (Bachelor of Technology (Hons) in Water and Wastewater), Tandin Gem (Bachelor of Technology (Hons) in Construction Management), Chong Min Kent (Bachelor of Civil Engineering (Hons)), Mohd Azmil bin Abdul Sedik (Bachelor of Business Administration (Hons)), Sherine Chong Yean Ling (Bachelor of Accountancy (Hons)), Jamuna d/o Thurai Singam (Diploma in Biotechnology), Leow Pei Theen and Aiman Nabillah binti Zulkafli (Bachelor of Communication (Hons) in Corporate Communication), and Norhalizah binti Mohamad Ariff (Bachelor of Science (Architectural Studies)). These students received awards from prestigious companies such as Wirana (M) Sdn Bhd, Ardhmilenia Sdn Bhd, Wah Seong Corporation Berhad, Takaful Ikhlas Berhad, KM Capital Group Berhad, Fisher Scientific (M) Sdn Bhd, Asia Media Sdn Bhd, and Kumpulan Ikram Sdn Bhd, a subsidiary of Protasco Berhad.

Held at the university’s main hall, the event was also witnessed by the President and Vice-Chancellor of IUKL, Prof. Dr. Roslan Zainal Abidin, the Executive Vice-Chairman and General Managing Director, Y. Bhg. Datuk Sri Ir. Chong Ket Pen, the IUKL management team, parents, representatives from the embassies and distinguished guests.
Lecture Series by IUKL Pro-Chancellor

IUKL was honoured to receive the presence of Y. Bhg. Academician Dato’ Ir. (Dr.) Lee Yee Cheong, the Pro-Chancellor of IUKL, for a lecture.

Y. Bhg. Academician Dato’ delivered a lecture series on ‘Infrastructure Development as Engine of Growth in South Countries through South-South Cooperation’ to approximately 170 IUKL students and several staff members.

The Pro-Chancellor’s presence was well-received by the participants. They were captivated by his warm personality and munificence in sharing his broad expertise and experience with them namely on the Millennium Development Goals, and “One Belt One Road”: Infrastructure networks.

“If you’re going to join the industry as an engineer, you must have an innovative spirit.” said the Pro-Chancellor.

He strongly believes that the upsurge of infrastructure development to South Asian countries due to Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank, “One Belt One Road” and the BRICS* Development Bank, the findings of the feasibility study will confirm that the provision of continuing professional development courses and lifelong learning in infrastructure will not only fulfill a niche in serving the national, regional and developing world in achieving the United Nation’s Sustainable Development Goals by 2030, but also be profitable for IUKL.

A Q&A session was held followed by a presentation of token of appreciation to Y.Bhg. Academician Dato’ Ir. (Dr.) Lee Yee Cheong by Prof. Dr. Ideris Zakaria before ending the session.

*BRICS – Britain Russia India China South Africa

PUBLIC LECTURE BY DATO’ SRI PROF. DR. SYED ARABI IDID
The CEO Looks at the Pro During the Time of Crisis

The first series of public lectures organised by the Faculty of Arts, Communication and Education was held on 19 August 2015. This lecture was delivered by former Rector of International Islamic University of Malaysia (IIUM), Dato’ Sri Prof. Dr. Syed Arabi Idid who is also a renowned academician and public relations practitioner. His lecture entitled ‘The CEO Looks at the Pro during the Time of Crisis’.

On the day of the public lecture, about 100 participants comprising IUKL staff and students, as well as participants from external organisations and institutions of higher learning turned up. Throughout the session, Dato’ Sri actively engaged the participants with activities, stories and discussed evaluating the significance of crises, the role of the CEO and the role of the PRO in coming up with better ideas that the management team could use in managing crisis.

In wrapping up the lecture, Dato’ Sri asserted that “There is a need to maintain positive perceptions in the minds of the stakeholders. Maintaining the reputation of an organization ultimately might be the most important function of public relations”. That is when the CEO looks at the PRO and acknowledges that a crisis has been properly handled by the organisation that he manages.

The session ended with a quick chat between the participants and Dato’ Sri, followed by a group photo.
I UKL welcomed one of the members of the Board of Directors of Protasco, Y.Bhg. Dato’ Mohd Hanif bin Sher Mohamed to deliver a public lecture on ‘Personal Financial Planning’ with the theme “Live Rich, Save Money” on 17 September 2015.

Y. Bhg. Dato’ Mohd Hanif shared his vast experience as the Chairman of the Credit Counselling and Debt Management Agency (AKPK) to I UKL staff and students who attended the lecture.

“Having a financial plan helps us see the big picture and set long and short-term life goals, a crucial step in mapping out our financial future. When there is a financial plan, it’s easier to make financial decisions and stay on track to meet our goals.” said Y. Bhg. Dato’ Mohd Hanif.

Organised by the Faculty of Business and Accounting, the objectives of the public lecture were to help participants achieve their financial objectives, to encourage participants in having savings and have a good financial plan for their future.

A token of appreciation was presented to Y. Bhg. Dato’ Mohd Hanif by the Vice-President Academic and Quality Assurance, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Christianine Della at the end of the lecture.

Increasing Positivity at Home and Work with the Law of Attraction

On 18 December 2015, I UKL welcomed a certified Law of Attraction facilitator from the LOA Centre (M) Sdn Bhd, Ms. Terumalar Devi Thanabal to give a talk on ‘Increasing Positivity at Home and Work with the Law of Attraction’.

Held at the university’s auditorium, the session expounded a number of captivating topics such as the introduction to the ‘Law of Attraction’, the ‘Words-Sentences-Results Relationship’, and the three words to eliminate from our vocabulary which are “don’t, not and no”.

The first inspirational tip given by Ms Devi was for every person to have a ‘reset button’. Whenever negative thoughts cross their minds, they should reset their minds as negative thoughts vibrate and bring about negative results. The second tip was to have an ‘abundance journal’ and list down all the things in life that we are thankful for each day as an aide-mémoire as well as to motivate us to live life positively.

The session concluded with a token of appreciation presented by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Christianine Della to Ms. Devi.

To read more about the LOA Centre (M) Sdn Bhd, please visit: http://www.thelawofattractioncentre.com.my/

Google Apps and Microsoft Office Training (Intermediate 2)

On 13 and 14 January 2016, the Faculty of Creative Media and Innovative Technology (FCMIT) of I UKL organised the “Google Apps and Microsoft Office Training (Intermediate 2)” at the Unix Lab, I UKL. This training was the second series of the first training which was successfully conducted from 2 to 3 September 2015 to help enhance the computer literacy skills of staff and students.

The training was conducted for two days in which the first day was allocated for “Google Apps” and the second day was for ‘MS Office 2013’.

35 participants attended the ‘Google Apps Training’ while 25 participants attended the ‘MS Office 2013’ training. The participants consisted of I UKL staff and students and also participations from IKRAM Timur, Kolej Universiti Islam Selangor (KUIS), and Protasco Berhad.
Big Data in Health Care  
(23 November 2015)

Impactful Research & Performance Analysis Strategies  
(7 December 2015)

Modern Application Development with Windows 10  
(4 December 2015)

Ethics & Professionalism in Higher Education  
(29 December 2015)

Cyber Jihad & Islamist Media  
(22 March 2016)
On 9 September 2015, Infrastructure University Kuala Lumpur (IUKL), through its Research Management Centre (RMC), organised its 4th Infrastructure University Innovation and Invention Competition (IUIIC 2015). This one-day event was made more significant with the presence of Y. Bhg. Dato’ Sri Ir. Chong Ket Pen, the Executive Vice Chairman and Managing Director of Protasco Berhad, who officiated the event.

“Research is part and parcel of the role of any Institute of Higher Learning which claims itself to be pursuing knowledge and for its existence” said the Vice-President of IUKL, Prof. Dr. Ideris in his opening speech.

The annual university-wide innovation competition showcased inventions from 63 institutions of higher learning and schools. There were 43 entries for the “University” category and 20 for the “Young Inventor” category.

IUIIC 2015 was initiated by RMC in 2011 to stimulate, inculcate, and harness innovation and invention among academic communities in Malaysia. This is to encourage and inspire inventors from both secondary and tertiary levels. The slogan ‘Eco-Innovation: Empowering Global Sustainability’ aimed to identify products that can be selected to compete at the national and international levels.

For the university category, one of the products from the Faculty of Engineering and Technology Infrastructure (FETI) won a gold medal for their “Transport of Sediment: Local Scale vs Reach Scale Approach” invention. The ‘Best Booth Award’ was won by Booth IHL 8, the Faculty of Architecture and Built Environment. Besides these, IUKL bagged one silver and 14 bronze medals.

Adhering to the theme “Tapestry of Hues” and inspired by the Islamic Architecture principles, this winning piece entitled “Seven Layers of Heaven” is purely based on the Quran and Hadiths. This concept reflects two major areas in the Islamic garden. The first being the ground level, which resembles the Seven Principles of Cleansing Heart in Islam and the second comprises of the elevated spaces, which feature the Layers of Heaven. This dazzling masterpiece has brought paradise to life winning two gold awards for its mind-blowing concept design, exceptional innovative and creative ideas.

Ten students from the Bachelor of Landscape Architecture and Diploma in Landscape Architecture programmes led by Ms. Arfah Aini Mohd Kalok, lecturer from the Faculty of Architecture and Built Environment (FABE) won two gold awards for the ‘University Garden Competition’ and ‘Creative Garden Competition’ categories at the ‘Royal Floria 2015’, Putrajaya Lakeshore which was held from 30 May to 7 June 2016.
The University made further strides in the research field after two teams from the Faculty of Engineering and Technology Infrastructure (FETI) won bronze medals at the ‘14th International Conference and Exposition on Inventions by Institutions of Higher Learning (PECIPTA 2015)’ which was held from 4th to 6th December 2015 at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre.

The bronze medals along with certificates of appreciation were conferred to Mr. Amirrullah Maat, Ms. Najiah Adam Tong, led by lecturer, Dr. Nurharniza Abdul Rahman for their project on ‘The Gruffness of Steel Fibre in Concrete Column’ under the Art, Design and Creativity cluster, and for the second winning team, they were awarded for their project titled ‘The Dynamics of Stabilized Earth Block’, under the Manufacturing Technology cluster. This team comprised of Mr. Temple Odimegwu Chimuanya, lecturers, Ir. Tengku Anita Raja Hussin and Ms. Noorbaya Mohd Salleh, the leader of the team.

There were approximately 500 participants from various institutions who competed in the prestigious event.

PECIPTA is a biannual event organised by the Ministry of Higher Education, Malaysia together with a selected local university since 2001. This year the event was hosted by the Universiti Pendidikan Sultan Idris (UPSI).

Best Thesis Award in “Water Resources and Hydrology”

Lock Lee San, a Bachelor of Technology in Water and Wastewater (Hons) programme student won the coveted Gold Award for the ‘Best Thesis Award’ at the World Water Day 2016 on 24 March 2016.

Lock’s thesis entitled “Utilization of Durian Leaves as a Low Cost Absorbent for the Removable Zn (II) Ions from Aqueous Solution” carries the idea of putting agricultural waste into good use by using them as an effective industrial wastewater treatment rather than disposing the agricultural waste. It has a high potential in removing heavy metals and most importantly, it is environmentally friendly.

The award was presented to her by YB Dato Sri Dr. Haji Wan Junaidi Tuanku Jaafar, Minister of Natural Resources and Environment at the Complex Sukan Air, Presint 6, Putrajaya.
As part of the continuing effort of the organising committee of the ‘Smile for IUKL’ Campaign, two trainings and four sharing sessions were held in 2015 to inculcate the ‘Effectiveness and Efficiency’ theme:

1. 9 March 2015 – Training on “5S Way of Improvement”
2. 27 May 2015 & 3 June 2015 (9:30am - 1:00pm) – Training on File Management
3. 28 May 2015 (4:00pm - 5:30pm) – Sharing Session on “5S Way of Improvement” by QA members who attended the 9 March 2015 session
4. 27 May 2015 & 3 June 2015 (9:30am - 1:00pm) – Training on File Management
5. 3 July 2015 - Recycling Day and Jumble Sale
6. 13 November 2015 (3:00pm - 5:30pm) – Sharing Session on “Quality of Service”

Being effective and efficient are essential in any business entity including universities. Every business stands to attain its predefined goals and objectives while particularly stressing on its ability of maintaining its survival and profitability constantly. In doing so, effectiveness and efficiency matters greatly.

Throughout the sharing sessions, participants were briefed on the definition of ‘Effectiveness and Efficiency’ and how to be more efficient and effective at work as well as at home. A number of activities were conducted and each session received a good participation level and reception from members of staff who attended. Prizes were also given to the winning individuals and teams.

To wrap up the theme for 2015, the closing ceremony was held on 17 December 2015 at the atrium of the Faculty of Architecture and Built Environment. This ceremony began with a welcoming speech by the spear header of the campaign, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Christiantine Della, followed by three group activities for IUKL staff namely, the Fashion Show, Procedures Race, and Role Play, and ended with an Award Ceremony.

For the Award Ceremony, hampers were given to the winners of each activity. Awards were given to the Best Marketeer, Best Administrators, and Best Academicians. The award recipients below received a trophy and certificate:

1) Best Marketeer
   – Moeen Uddin Ahmed Khan (MARCOM)
2) Best Administrators (5)
   – Monilinda Mat Zin (Exam Unit), Hisham Shafienaz Azhar (STAD), Anis Izzat Shuib (FASF), Nurul Syahirah Zulkifli (Library) & Budi Istakdar Mazlan (FABE)
3) Best Lecturers (5) – Qaiss N. Kudheir (FABE), Nor Hazila Mohd Zain (FBA), Nora'asikin Abu Bakar (FASF), Dr. Karthiyaini Devarajoo (FACE), and Dr. Mohamed Awadh Ahmed Ben Mubarak (FCMIT)

Refreshments were provided at the end of the ceremony.

The ‘Smile for IUKL’ Campaign committee hopes to continue their mission in guiding fellow IUKL staff towards excellent professional services and in contributing their best service towards the university.
‘SMILE FOR IUKL’ CAMPAIGN
ACHIEVEMENTS

Academic Excellence Award 2015

Faculty of Arts, Communication and Education
(28 January 2015)

Faculty of Architecture and Built Environment
(26 August 2015)

Faculty of Creative Media and Innovative Technology
(21 September 2015)

Faculty of Engineering and Technology Infrastructure & Faculty of Applied Science and Foundation Studies
(20 November 2015)

Faculty of Business and Accounting
(4 December 2015)
ACHIEVEMENTS

Sports Achievements

MPI Generali Run 2016

On 10th January 2016, ten members from the IUKL Running Club participated in the famous annual competitive run among runners in Malaysia; the ‘MPI Generali Run 2016’. It was held at Padang Merbuk, Kuala Lumpur. At this event, one of our IUKL Running Club members, Haithm Mukred, finished the race in 2nd place under the 9KM speedster ‘Men’s Open’ category, receiving a Silver medal and a certificate. IUKL is proud to have student runners who have equal footing with other elite runners of the country.

IUKL TRACTORS Champion of ‘IUKL 10’S Rugby Tournament’

‘IUKL 10’S Rugby Tournament’ was the first tournament organised by the students under the Tractor Rugby Club with the support of the management of IUKL. The tournament was held on 9 January 2016 at the Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia rugby field in Bangi.

There were a total of eight teams from higher learning institutions that took part in this event. The participating teams were divided into two groups, group A and B. Group A consisted of IUKL Tractors, UNITEN Thunders, MMU Cyberjaya and Sunway University. Group B on the other hand consisted of the EX-TRACTORS, LINTON College, KPM Beranang and Multimedia University Melaka. The IUKL Tractors was the overall champion defeating UNITEN with the final result of 7 – 5.

IUKL’s Running Club Prevails at the KKB Glow Run 2016

Ten runners from the IUKL Running Club took over the whole top five placings for the ‘International’ category at the ‘KKB Glow Run 2016’ on 19 March 2016. The other two male and two female runners congruently secured placing in the top ten in the ‘Male and Female Open’ categories.

The event was held at the Mini Stadium Kuala Kubu Bharu, Selangor and was organised by the Green Leaf Event and Marketing Services to promote running as a healthy lifestyle and at the same time introducing interesting places in Kuala Kubu Bharu.

The top five winners received the top five finisher prizes besides bringing home a running tee, running bib, timing chip, certificate and a finisher medal.
Deepavali Night was organised by IUKL’s Indian Cultural Society (ICS) on 2nd December 2015. The event was held at MPH attended by 200 IUKL staff and students.

This event was a way of bringing all staff and students together, as well as taking part in the traditional food tasting, dancing, dressing in Sari and Dhoti, Rangoli Art, and a Deepavali quiz. Traditional Indian food was also served at the event.

The President of ICS delivered the opening speech followed by students’ performances and fun games. Differing from the Deepavali Night held in the previous years, a “Q&A” session was held to test the knowledge of IUKL staff and students on Deepavali.

A special gift was given to the person who dressed the best according to the theme. Goodie bags were given to the first 20 people who came to the event. The colourful night wrapped up with an open dance floor.

On December 8, 2015, the IUKL Malay Heritage Club in collaboration with the Civil Engineering Club and Student Affairs Division organised the “Malay Heritage Festival” to revel and appreciate the Malay culture and heritage.

Two events were organized under the festival, the Malay Traditional Food Festival and the ‘Malay Heritage Night’. Both shared the objectives of introducing the Malay culture and heritage to other ethnicities and upholding the Malay heritage in various representations.

15 local cuisine stalls partook in the ‘Malay Traditional Food Festival’ at the Academic Block’s foyer, the first event held on that day. The next event was the ‘Malay Heritage Night’. The night was rich with prodigious performances such as ‘Silat’, traditional dance by ‘Kelab Sanggar Budaya’ by Sekolah Kebangsaan Bandar Seri Putra, ‘Gamelan’, as well as performances by invited guests, UNITEN and the German Malaysian Institute. The Faculty of Arts, Communication and Education (FACE) was crowned the winner of the night for best performance.

This year, the Sudanese Independence Day commemoration was carried out from 18 to 19 January at IUKL. On the first day, the Sudanese Student Society carried out an exhibition at the Academic Block’s foyer, displaying an assortment of their traditional food, attire, handicrafts as well as sharing the history of their Independence Day.

The ‘Sudanese Independence Night’ was held on the second day, receiving the presence of two representatives from the Sudanese Embassy in Malaysia, Mr. Bukhari and Mr. Howida; the President of Malaysia’ Sudanese Society, Dr. Mohamed Ahmed; the Vice-President Academic and Quality Assurance, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Christianline Della, IUKL staff and students.

The sense of racial harmony between the Sudanese and local students of IUKL was felt when they performed plays, songs and dances together. The Sudanese Independence Day celebration was overall justly a joyful and memorable experience for all.

"Moment of Gratitude" was the theme for this year’s Chinese Spring Festival 2016 at IUKL. On 27 January 2016, the celebration began in the afternoon with a performance by IUKL’s student playing ‘Zheng’, a traditional Chinese musical instrument. Traditional handicrafts and art were displayed at the Academic Block’s foyer.

The celebration continued in the evening at the Multipurpose Hall where IUKL staff and students of different races were invited to further enjoy the festivity through a drama performance by the organising committee, the IUKL Chinese Society, and a video presentation on the celebration of the Chinese Spring Festival around the world. Outside of the hall were booths showcasing Chinese writings, paper cuttings, food and beverages, and games which allowed attendees to also experience the Chinese culture.
Ramadhan is the holy month of fasting, introspection and prayer for Muslims. In conjunction with the advent of the beautiful and spiritually unity month, the IUKL Student Affairs Division (STAD) in cooperation with the Students Representative Council (SRC) and IUKL Club and Society conducted the “Barakah 2015” on 2 July 2015.

This programme aims to embrace the arrival of Ramadhan for the year of 1429 Hijrah, to encourage the Muslim students to appreciate the benefits of fasting during Ramadan which is full of barakah, to foster the spirit of unity and strengthen the relationship amongst IUKL students and staff, and last but not least, to appreciate the meaningful practice in Islamic religion globally.

The simple yet meaningful programme began with a Tadarus by the IUKL students followed by breaking fast and maghrib prayers. The staff and students sat on the floor of MPH carpeted with mats, relishing each other’s company and the dinner served at the end of the programme.

Based on SURAH AL-BAQARAH VERSE 183:-

Allah says:

“O you who have believed, decreed upon you is fasting as it was decreed upon those before you that you may become righteous”

On 5 January 2016, four IUKL staff and 77 IUKL students pursuing the ‘MPU2333 Drug Abuse and Society’ subject visited the ‘Cure and Care Vocational Centre’ (CCVC) in Sepang.

Upon arrival, the group was welcomed with a welcoming speech by the director of CVCC, Tuan Haji Ibrahim and a live band performance. The group visited the Electronic, Welding, and Tailoring Workshops, and the Bakery Factory where the CCVC trainees normally spend their hours. The group also had the opportunity to feast on freshly made Kaya Buns baked by the trainees themselves.

CVCC is a rehabilitation centre for addicts where they are housed to observe and understand their daily struggles as well as to overcome their addiction.

This visit was organised by the Faculty of Applied Science and Foundation Studies to gain knowledge of the rehabilitation process of trainees at CVCC, to expose students to the many issues regarding drug addicts and the types of activities conducted at CVCC.
EVENTS

CAR BOOT SALE
(9 December 2015)

ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROGRAMME
(27 & 28 August 2015)
and
(11 & 12 January 2016)

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2-WEEK STAFF EXCHANGE (SHANGLUO UNIVERSITY)

Ms. Nur Kamariah Kasim, a lecturer from the Faculty of Business and Accounting, IUKL was in China from 19 to 30 October 2015 for the staff exchange programme with Shangluo University. She shared her two-week experience in the interview below.

1. Welcome back to IUKL. How did you come to the decision to participate in the staff exchange programme at Shangluo University?

Besides strengthening the bond between IUKL and Shangluo University, I was also interested and excited to experience teaching abroad.

2. Please share with us your experience at Shangluo University. At Shangluo University, I was assigned to teach Accounting English to about 100 students. I took it as a challenge as I had to complete one whole book in two weeks but the students were fast learners so we managed to do so in time. The university was very kind in assigning three staff to assist me in matters such as communicating with the students, bringing me on a campus tour, providing accommodation; an apartment for me on campus, and they even provided a mobile phone but of course I had to return it before I left. This was just to help me make phone calls and text so I didn’t have to buy a new sim card. Besides teaching, I was also invited to be an invigilator. The staff members and students were all kind and helpful.

3. Did you have some time to travel around the Shaanxi Province?

Yes, I did. I went to the town and I saw lots of their fresh vegetables and fruits sold everywhere. I did bring back a few oranges and dates.

4. Do you keep in touch with any students or staff there?

Yes, through Facebook and WeChat applications.

5. What were your favourite memories at Shangluo University?

Essentially the hospitality given to me by the staff and students of the Shangluo University from the day I arrived to my last day. I was well-cared for.

6. Any plans to return there again whether to teach, study or simply for a holiday?

I’d love to go to the university to teach again!

RIVER JUNGLE MARATHON 2015

This year marks the sixth instalment of the ‘River Jungle Marathon 2015’. What makes this run unique was that it was held outside of the bustling city - the trees, the misty weather, the beautiful green hills and the dam.

The route was designed in a single loop of 42.195km road run to ensure the runners experience fresh new sights. The flag off was at 4.00am and the runners took the scenic village route of Hulu Langat leading up to a 1,000 feet climb of uphill running, passing through valleys, rivers, mountains, jungle, a hot spring and even monkeys!

There were hydration stations every 3km providing runners with mineral water, isotonic drinks, fresh coconut water and even local fruits. The River Jungle Marathon was surely a boutique run compared to other typical running events.

Mr. Mohd Ashraf Fateh from the Faculty of Engineering and Technology Infrastructure represented IUKL at this event held on 6 September 2016.

STUDENT MOBILITY PROGRAMME

An interview was conducted earlier this year with Kristina Kotlirova, an exchange student from Hanze University of Applied Sciences, Groningen, Netherlands who joined IUKL’s Student Mobility Programme. She was a student at the Faculty of Arts, Communication and Education (FACE). Before leaving the University, Kristina shared her experiences at IUKL and Malaysia in general.

P: How was your time here at IUKL?

K: I have had an incredible time! I’ve made close friends with Chinese, Nigerian and Arabic students.

P: Why did you choose IUKL to do the student mobility programme?

K: This programme provided me the opportunity to explore Malaysia and make new friends of different races and cultures.

P: What was your favourite class to attend? Do you have a favourite lecturer?

K: I enjoyed the International Relations class taught by Prof. Dr. Faridah. She is very helpful and close to her students.

P: What is the most important thing for you to represent your country when you are abroad?

K: To be friendly, open minded and understanding towards people of other races.

P: How has your stay in Malaysia been so far?

K: It has been a great time. I learned a lot about the different cultures in Malaysia through my close friends at IUKL. It is a beautiful and peaceful country.

P: What do you plan to do when you return to your homeland?

K: After this semester (September 2015), I will be doing my internship with a company in China for five months before I return to my university to complete my final semester. I still have two subjects to take; Public Relations and Public Affairs.

P: What will be the one memory in IUKL that you will never forget?

K: I will miss my friends and the lecturers here dearly. We have spent a lot of time together and shared so much laughter so it’s very hard to say goodbye to them. I wish I could stay longer.

P: Would you come to Malaysia again if you have another chance?

K: Yes, definitely! (laughs)
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