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Welcoming our new Deputy Director of Academic

Congratulations to Dr. Norhayati Binti Ibrahim, who has been appointed as the Deputy Director of Academic on 17 April 2017.

Dr. Norhayati 's passion in teaching and learning can be credited to her vast 19 years of experience in the field where she also assumed the role of the Head of Mechanical Department from 2011 until 2015. She also obtained her doctorate in Mechanical Engineering from University of Iowa, United States of America in 2008.

Dr. Norhayati Binti Ibrahim

In her new role, she will provide leadership, direction and coordination for all academic matters by prioritising on key institutional primacies, staff teaching and student learning process and experiences.

Dr. Norhayati replaces Puan Amidah Binti Ujang who has been serving in the role for two years. Puan Amidah's 19 years of teaching experience, besides being the Deputy Director has made her an incredible leader. As she was promoted, she now assumes the role of the Head of E-Learning Unit to oversee all e-learning matters in the polytechnic.



Puan Amidah Binti Ujang

PSA team arrives from Geneva in glory

With sheer hardwork, determination and commitment, the PSA team returned home in glory from the 45th International Exhibition of Inventions in Geneva, Switzerland with two gold medals and a Special Invention Award presented by University of Saudi Arabia.

With their innovations of the **Bolster Barrier** and **Smart Layering Brick**, the PSA team has made our polytechnic and the whole community of Malaysian polytechnics exceptionally proud when they beat other 725 teams from 40 countries by winning the first prize. Led by the student leader, Iskandar Zulkarnain, he dedicated this victory to all the unrelenting effort of his other three teammates and also the guidance and dedication of their lecturers; Puan Zarinah Zaini, Puan Bibie Salleh and Puan Yusnita Yusof.

“This is an extremely good exposure for the students as they have also learnt how to engineer their way by communicating and relating to people of different culture in Switzerland”, states Puan Zarinah.

May this success path the way for more future innovation successes from the students of PSA.



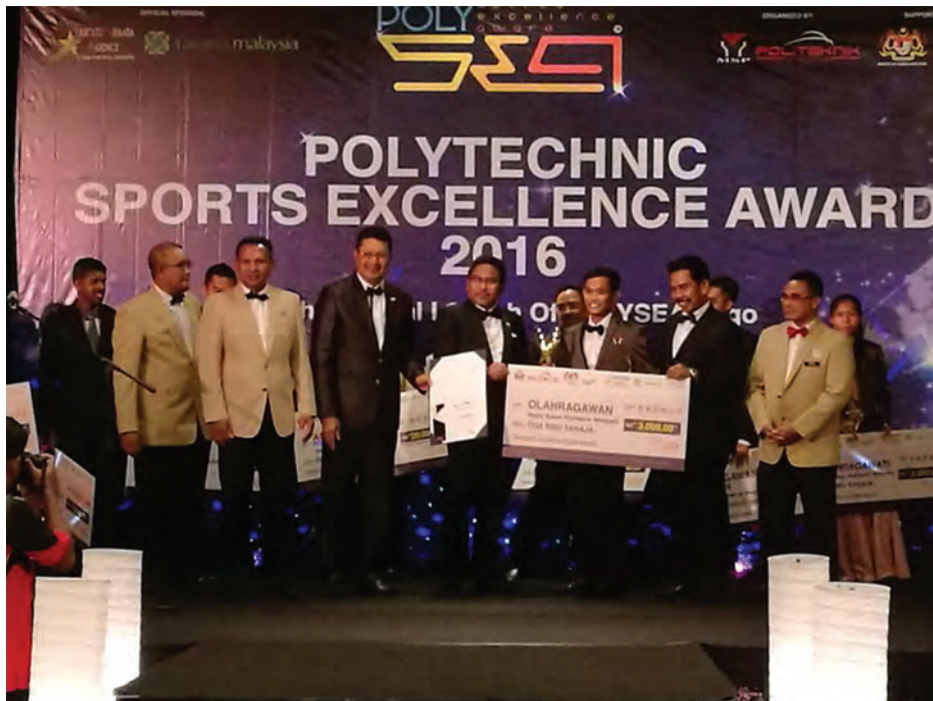
Two gold awards and a special invention award by the University of King Abdul Aziz, Saudi Arabia



With sheer hardwork, determination and commitment, PSA team came back with a roaring success of two gold award and a special award presented by University of King Abdul Aziz, Saudi Arabia victories. Congratulations PSA!

*“If you look closely, most overnight successes took a long time.”
- Steve Jobs”*

Polytechnic Sports Excellence Award 2017



“You are your only limit.”
Ashran Hamsani, final year civil engineering student from our polytechnic has proven this to be true when he was recently awarded as the Sportsman of Malaysian Polytechnics 2017 and Shaiful Nizam, a former student of Commerce Department was also awarded as the Sports Icon of Year 2017.

INDEP GRIP 2017

Friendship Ceremony was held last 9 April 2017 among expatriates community, staff of embassy and Malaysian students studying in Bangkok. Delegates from Thailand, INDEP GRIP 2017 and intern students working in Western Digital Thailand also attended the ceremony to celebrate the collaboration and friendship held for years.



*“Opportunities don’t happen. You create them”
- Chris Grosser.”*



Ramadhan visit to the unfortunate

PSA volunteers have recently visited Kampung Bukit Cerakah in Puncak Alam to extend good will in the holy month of Ramadhan.

Events in SPOTLIGHT

- PSA Taekwondo won a gold and a silver for Polytechnic Taekwondo International Championship 2017.
- PISPA PSA won the overall runner-up for MalPCiDAC 2017 besides championing the rescue, medic and rope, entrepreneur and bowling competition.
- Being the first in Malaysian polytechnics, Ms. Lee Yong Yong, a girlguide leader and also the Captain of PSA Girl Guides has successfully obtained her warrant from Girl Guides Association Malaysia.
- Intensive Debate Training Workshop was conducted from 2 to 4 May 2017 for PSA English Debaters to prepare them for the upcoming inter-polytechnic competition.
- Arief Hilman won second place in Industrial Design Category and Most Popular Design Award recently at Autodesk Malaysian Design Competition 2017.



PSA staff wishes everyone *Selamat Hari Raya Aidilfitri* and *Maaf Zahir Batin*

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