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# Taking a fun approach to accounting

THE MICPA-ICAA Accountancy Week 2013 beld at the Multimedia University (MMU), Cyberjaya and Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) in November proved to be a fun and exciting event for over 400 students from 11 universities and polychoics in Malaysia. This was the 14th Accountancy Week

organised by the professional accounting body - The Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants (MICPA). This year's event was organised in col-

laboration with the institute of Chartered Accountants Australia (ICAA) and marks the fifth year the two institutes have been running a joint programme to train professio accountants in becoming Certified Public Accountants of Malayna (CPA) as well as Chartered Accountants (CA) of Australia.

The joint programme is a result of a stra-tegic partnership between the two bodies, which opens up doors of endless opportuni-ties for its graduates and members as they are entitled access to the Global Accounting Alfiance (GAA) - a network of over 800,000 professional accountants represented by 11 premier accounting bodies around the world. KAA's Chartered Accountants Programme

can be undertaken by candidates in Malaysia through MICPA because of this MICPA-ICAA

partnership and joint programme. The Accountancy Week comprised an Accounting students quiz for university level. a management simulation game and a series of sports and games competitions. The event objective was to develop undergraduates who are technically strong and have the right mix of interpersonal and soft skills that will help them become strong accounting professionals. All events were team-bared and armed at promoting a strong sense of camaraderie.



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MICPA partnered with two universities in organising the Quiz and Sports & Games com petition to develop leadership and communication skills among the students who formed the organising committee.

The organising committee director Amelia Soh, a third-year accounting under-graduate from MMU said. "The MICPA-ICAA Accountancy Week has moulded me into a better leader. I learned that an event relies on teamwork to make it a successful one. "I had an enjoyable experience working

with people of different personalities and had the opportunity to meet with accounting stu-dents from different universities." MICFA president Ken Pushpanathan who

ufficiated at the opening and closing ceremo-nies, was happy to see such strong participathin from the local universities

"It was great to see their enthusiasm excitement and support for their university's teams. Friendly competition is healthy as it pushes the students to strive to be better. at whatever they are doing. We hope these future professional accountants will certainly strive to be the best in their field," he said

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#### Winners at the MICPA-ICAA Accountancy Week 2013

ACCOUNTING STUDENTS QUIZ Prizes sponsored by E Champion: Universiti Malava (UM) Ranner-Up: Universiti Teknologi MARA (UITM), Shah Alam Up: Universiti Sains Second Runner-L Malaysia (USM)

Individual Highest Score (Preitmin Round): Mobd Fareez Baharudin, est Score (Preliminary International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM)

BUSINESS STRATEGY CHALLENGE MANAGEMENT SIMULATION GAME. (Prizes sponsored by BDO) Champion: IRUM First Runner-Up: IIUM Second Runner-Up: Multimedia University (MMU), Cyberjaya

ARCHERY ed by PwCi (Prizes spo Champion: UETM Runner-Up: Universiti Tenaga Nasional (UNITEN)

BADMINTON (MIXED DOUBLES) (Prizes sponsored by Sekhar & Tan) Champion: UM Runner-Up: UITM, Shah Alam

3-ON-3 BASKETBALL (Prizes sponsored by HLB Ler Lum) Champion: MMU Runner-Up: UiTM

DODGEBALL (Prizes sponsored by Deloitte) Champion: UNITEN Runner-Up: Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM)

FUTSAL (Prizes spannored by Russell Bedford) Champion: UKM Ronner-Up: UM

PAINTHALL (Prizes sponsored by KPMG) Champion: UKM Runner-Up: Politeknik Ungko Omar

TELEMATCH (Prizes spansored by Crowe Horwath) Champion: UKM Runner-Op: UEPM

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The MICPA-ICAA Accountancy Week 2013 held at Multimedia University (MMU), Cyberjaya and Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) in late November proved to be a fun, enjoyable and exciting event for over 400 students from across 11 universities and polytechnics in Malaysia. This was the 14<sup>th</sup> Accountancy Week organised by the professional accounting body – The Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants (MICPA). This year's event was organised in collaboration with the Institute of Chartered Accountants Australia (ICAA) and marks the fifth year that the two Institutes have been running a joint programme to train professional accountants in becoming Certified Public Accountants of Malaysia (CPA) as well as Chartered Accountants (CA) of Australia.

The joint programme is a result of a strategic partnership between the two bodies, which opens up doors of endless opportunities to its graduates and members as they are entitled access to the Global Accounting Alliance (GAA) - a network of over 800,000 professional accountants represented by 11 premier accounting bodies around the world. ICAA's Chartered Accountants Programme can be undertaken by candidates in Malaysia through MICPA because of this MICPA-ICAA partnership and the joint programme.

The Accountancy Week comprised an Accounting Students Quiz for University-Level, a Management Simulation Game and a series of Sports and Games competitions consisting of Archery, Badminton, 3-on-3 Basketball, Dodgeball, Futsal, Paintball and a Telematch. The main objective of this event is to develop well-rounded accounting undergraduates who are not just technically strong, but have the right mix of interpersonal and soft skills that will help them become strong accounting professionals. All events were team-based, aimed at promoting a strong sense of camaraderie, teamwork and effective communication. The event also hoped to expose participants to the world of professional accounting, where they had the opportunity to meet and network with accounting professionals from firms that had sponsored prizes for the various activities.

MICPA partnered with 2 universities in organising the Quiz and Sports & Games competition as a way of developing leadership and communication skills amongst the students who formed the organising committee. Amelia Soh, Director of the Organising Committee and 3<sup>rd</sup>-year accounting undergraduate from MMU had this to say: "The MICPA-ICAA Accountancy Week has really moulded me into a better leader. I have learned that an event heavily relies on teamwork to make it a truly successful one. I had an enjoyable experience working with people of different personalities and backgrounds, and had the opportunity to meet and network with accounting students from different universities."

President of MICPA, Mr Ken Pushpanathan who officiated the opening and closing ceremonies was happy to see such strong participation from the local universities. "It was great to see their enthusiasm, excitement and support for their university's teams. Friendly competition is healthy as it pushes the students to strive ahead to be better at whatever they are doing, and we hope that these future professional accountants will certainly strive to be the best in their field."

Below is the list of winners for the various events that took place during the MICPA-ICAA Accountancy Week 2013 event:

#### **Accounting Students Quiz**

(Prizes sponsored by EY) Champion 1st Runner-Up 2nd Runner-Up Individual Highest Score (Preliminary Round)

Universiti Malaya Universiti Teknologi MARA, Shah Alam Universiti Sains Malaysia Mohd Fareez Baharudin, International Islamic University Malaysia

#### **Business Strategy Challenge - Management Simulation Game**

(Prizes sponsored by BDO)ChampionInternational Islamic University Malaysia1st Runner-UpInternational Islamic University Malaysia2nd Runner-UpMultimedia University, Cyberjaya

#### Archery

(Prizes sponsored by PwC)ChampionUniversiti Teknologi MARA, Shah AlamRunner-UpUniversiti Tenaga Nasional (UNITEN)

#### **Badminton (Mixed Doubles)**

(Prizes sponsored by Sekhar & Tan)			
Champion	Universiti Malaya		
Runner-Up	Universiti Teknologi MARA, Shah Alam		

### 3-on-3 Basketball

(Prizes sponsored by HLB Ler Lum)ChampionMultimedia University, CyberjayaRunner-UpUniversiti Teknologi MARA, Shah Alam

### Dodgeball

(Prizes sponsored by Deloitte)ChampionUniversiti Tenaga Nasional (UNITEN)Runner-UpUniversiti Kebangsaan Malaysia

### Futsal

(Prizes sponsored by Russell Bedford)ChampionUniversiti Kebangsaan MalaysiaRunner-UpUniversiti Malaya

### Paintball

(Prizes sponsored by KPMG)ChampionUniversiti Kebangsaan MalaysiaRunner-UpPoliteknik Ungku Omar

### Telematch

(Prizes sponsored by Crowe Horwath)ChampionUniversiti Kebangsaan MalaysiaRunner-UpUniversiti Teknologi MARA, Shah Alam

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