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## EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

# Two ink deal to boost profession



USM School of Management dean Professor Dr Fauziah Md Taib (left) exchanging the MoA documents with MICPA president Datuk Abdul Rauf Rashid, and witnessed by International Trade and Industry Ministry secretary-general Datuk Dr Rebecca Fatima Sta Maria.

**T**HE Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants (MICPA) and Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM) recently signed a memorandum of agreement (MoA) on their commitment towards developing the accounting profession in Malaysia.

The MoA aims to develop accounting-related educational programmes while promoting institutional exchanges through intellectual discourse and knowledge sessions between both parties to help expand the important areas in academia, training and student development.

MICPA and USM will also jointly organise symposia, conferences, short courses and meetings on all matters related to accounting.

"Through this MoA, we hope to play our part in propelling the accountancy profession to the next level, in line with the Malaysian government's aspiration and call to produce 60,000 professional accountants by 2020.

"We have also signed a comparable agreement with Universiti Teknologi Mara and hope to build similar relationships with other universities," said MICPA president Datuk Abdul Rauf Rashid.

"Through these partnerships with Malaysian universities, MICPA hopes to raise the level of awareness on the importance of the profession.

"Our joint collaboration with the Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CAANZ) has not only made our programme more attrac-

tive with dual qualifications, it has also helped accounting graduates understand the international aspects.

"By doing our programme, accounting graduates can be rest assured that they are obtaining one of the best professional qualifications in the world," said Rauf.

USM School of Management dean Professor Dr Fauziah Md Taib said the university was delighted by the opportunity to work with MICPA in developing and strengthening the accounting profession.

"We have fostered an excellent working relationship with MICPA over the years and I am sure that because of this, we will be able to do much more in taking the profession in Malaysia to the next level."

MICPA and USM later exchanged the signed documents during MICPA's 55th Commemorative Lecture & Luncheon.

The exchange of MoAs between Rauf and Fauziah was witnessed by International Trade and Industry Ministry (MITI) secretary-general Datuk Dr Rebecca Fatima Sta Maria.

Rebecca was the guest of honour and speaker at MICPA's event.

Her lecture, entitled "Does Asean Matter?", proved to be an interesting topic, providing much insight into the work being done to take Asean to the next level.

For details on MICPA and its programmes, call 03-2698 9622, email [micpa@micpa.com.my](mailto:micpa@micpa.com.my) or visit [www.micpa.com.my](http://www.micpa.com.my)

## **MICPA & USM INKS PARTNERSHIP**

The Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants (MICPA) and Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM) recently signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) signifying their commitment towards the development of the accounting profession in Malaysia.

The MoA aims to develop accounting-related educational programmes whilst promoting institutional exchanges through intellectual discourse and knowledge sessions between both parties to help develop important areas in academia, training and student development. MICPA and USM will also work together to organise symposia, conferences, short courses and meetings on all matters related to accounting.

“Through this MoA, we hope to play our part in propelling the accountancy profession to the next level in line with the Malaysian Government’s aspiration and the call to produce 60,000 professional accountants by the year 2020. We have also signed a comparable agreement with UiTM and hope to build similar relationships with other universities in time to come,” shared Dato’ Abdul Rauf Rashid, MICPA President.

"We are delighted by the opportunity to work with MICPA towards the further development and strengthening of the accounting profession. We have fostered an excellent working relationship with MICPA over the years and I am sure that because of this, we will be able to do much more to take the accounting profession in Malaysia to the next level," said Professor Dr Fauziah Md Taib, Dean, School of Management, USM.

“Through these partnerships with our Malaysian universities, MICPA hopes to raise the level of awareness on the importance of the profession. Our joint collaboration with Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CAANZ) has not only made our Programme that more attractive with the dual qualifications, it has also helped accounting graduates understand the international aspect of the Programme. By doing our Programme, accounting graduates can rest assured that they are obtaining one of the best professional qualifications in the world,” said Dato’ Rauf.

MICPA and USM took the opportunity to officiate the earlier signing ceremony with an exchange of the signed Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) during MICPA’s 55<sup>th</sup> Commemorative Lecture & Luncheon. The exchange of MoAs between Dato’ Rauf and Professor Dr Fauziah was witnessed by YBhg. Datuk Dr Rebecca Fatima Sta Maria, Secretary-General, Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI).

YBhg. Datuk Dr Rebecca was the Guest of Honour and speaker for MICPA’s 55<sup>th</sup> Commemorative Lecture & Luncheon. Her chosen topic for the lecture - “Does ASEAN Matter?” proved to be an interesting topic providing much insight into the work being done to take ASEAN to the next level.

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