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Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) played host this year, with UKM's Accounting Club, KPFEF, supporting MICPA as co-organisers who did a great job in putting together a run with a twist — five challenges at checkpoints along the way that the participants have to complete before arriving at the finish line.

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It was interesting to note that most of the participants had no trouble providing answers about the average passing rate of the MICPA-CAANZ Programme being 70 per cent to date, and that the exams are open book.

It helped that there were programme candidates among the runners who provided the extra help for the more difficult questions.

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Present at the ceremony were Student, Academic, Alumni and International Affairs deputy dean Associate Professor Dr Mohamat Sabri Hassan and Chair of School of Accounting Associate Professor Dr Sofiah Md Auzair.

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**For more info on the MICPA-CAANZ Programme or sponsorship opportunities available, contact the Marketing Department (Tel: 03-2698 9622) or email [eileen.mktg@micpa.com.my](mailto:eileen.mktg@micpa.com.my)**

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It was certainly an event to remember, leaving participants and Event Partners alike looking forward to next year's M.A.D. event.

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