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FOREWORD

This coffee table book celebrates the transformative power of Ungku Omar Polytechnic in driving innovation and progress. Featuring inspiring stories, striking visuals, and key milestones, it highlights the role of TVET in shaping a highly skilled, future-ready workforce. Through the voices of educators, policymakers, and learners, it showcases groundbreaking initiatives and the expansion of skill-enhancing programs. This book honors the contributions of outstanding educators while emphasizing the importance of technical education in fostering an innovative society. A tribute to the impact of education, it inspires readers to envision a skilled, sustainable future.



Strengthening and Empowering TVET and Work-Based Learning.

This TVET education and training process must prioritize best industry practices that are competent, progressive, and aligned with the rapid developments in the industry. In this context, the significant role and responsibility of polytechnics and community colleges in producing highly skilled TVET graduates are greatly needed.

LANDASAN HALA TUJU Ministry of Higher Education 2024
12 January 2024

YBhg. Dato' Seri Diraja Dr. Zambry Abd Kadir
Minister of Higher Education

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Technological challenges will always exist, but what matters more is how we instill strong core values in students. These values will act as a filter against the negative influences of technological advancements.

Lawatan Kerja dan Sesi Dialog "Talk To Us" Bersama YB Datuk Ts. Mustapha Sakmud

YB Datuk Ts. Mustapha Sakmud
Deputy Minister of Higher Education





Skilled education plays a pivotal role in transforming Malaysia's higher education system. Elevating POLYCC into a statutory body aims to expand skill-enhancing programs while empowering educators to advance TVET and cultivate a skilled, innovative society.

Anugerah Akademika Politeknik dan Kolej Komuniti (AA POLYCC) 2024
17 October 2024

YBhg. Dato' Seri Ir. Dr. Zaini Ujang
Secretary-General
Ministry of Higher Education

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In our efforts to produce graduates who are relevant to the needs of industry and the nation, we prioritize the initiative of Academia-Industry Collaboration, working synergistically between both parties.

Excerpt from the speech by the Director General of Polytechnic and Community College Education (KPPK) at the Polytechnic and Community College Convocation Ceremony for the Terengganu Zone 2024

YBhg. Dato' Dr. Hj. Mohd Zahari Ismail
Director General
Polytechnic and Community College Education
Ministry of Higher Education





As APEX Polytechnic, PUO aspires to develop future leaders through technical education and training, unlocking individual potential while fostering values that contribute to the betterment of humanity.

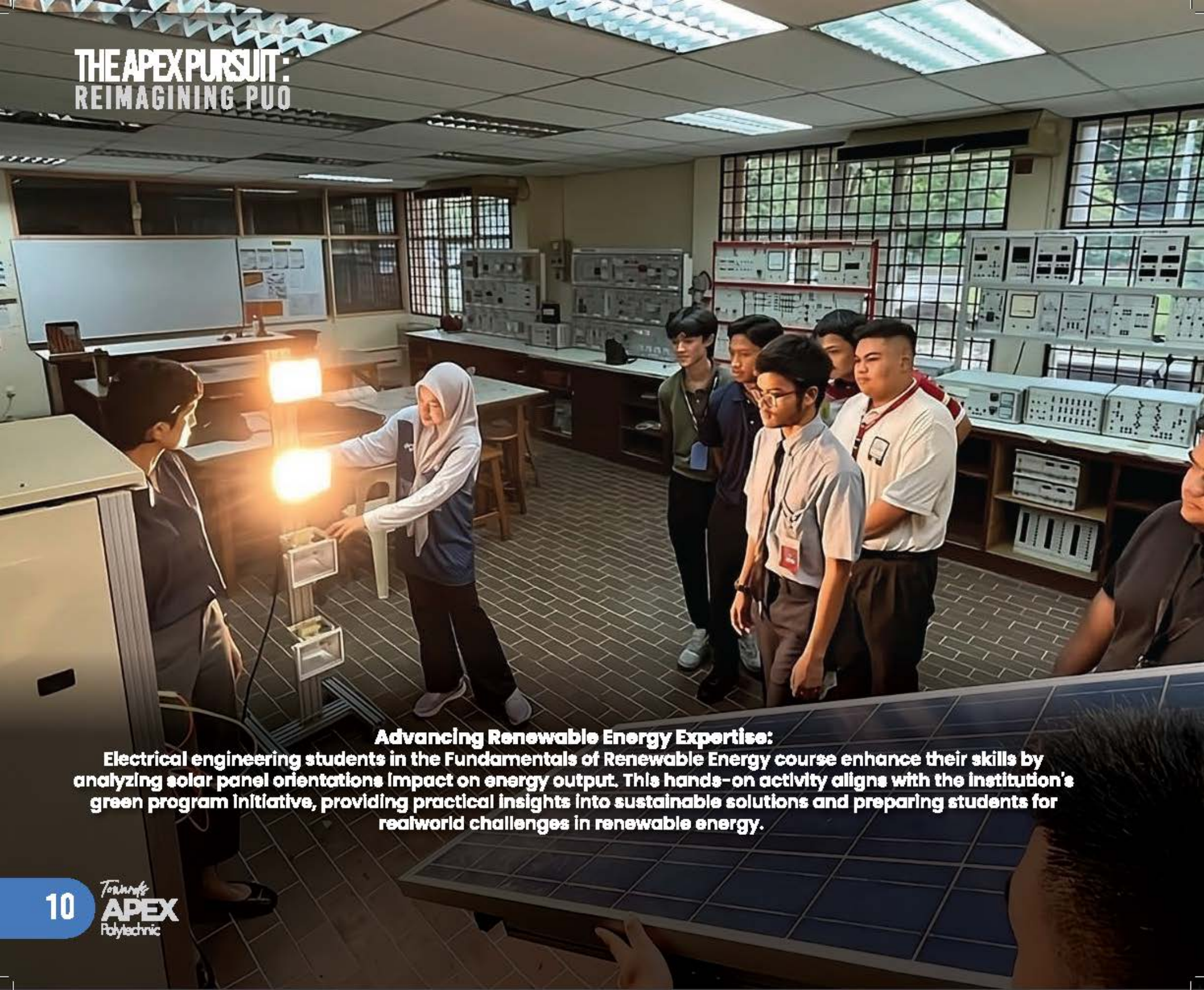
YBrs. Dr. Hj. Shamsuri Bin Abdullah
Director
Politeknik Ungku Omar

APEX **ORIENTED STUDENTS**



Pathways to Success:

Apex Polytechnic students are equipped with the skills and knowledge needed to thrive in a dynamic global landscape through a structured progression from education to career.



Advancing Renewable Energy Expertise:

Electrical engineering students in the Fundamentals of Renewable Energy course enhance their skills by analyzing solar panel orientations Impact on energy output. This hands-on activity aligns with the institution's green program initiative, providing practical insights into sustainable solutions and preparing students for realworld challenges in renewable energy.



Empowering Communities at PFOI 2024:
At the Putrajaya Festival of Ideas 2024, Politeknik Ungku Omar's Centre of Air Conditioning and Refrigeration (CARE) showcased its commitment to community empowerment. Students exemplified their role as apex-oriented individuals by providing free TVET services under the MADANI Service segment, contributing to skill development and knowledge sharing.

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建筑信息建模赛项三等奖获奖名单 Third Prize Winners List

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贵州职业技术学院	吴学华	POLITEKNIK PORT DICKSON (PPD) 马来西亚迪克森港职业技术学院	AQIL BIN MOHA 阿基尔·宾·穆罕
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BIM Excellence at China-ASEAN Skills Competition:

19-25 August 2024. PUO students shined at the 2024 China-ASEAN Education Cooperation Week Skills Competition in Guizhou Polytechnic of Construction. They secured second place in the BIM competition, while two other students earned third place.



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BRIDGING ERAS : GREENING FUTURES

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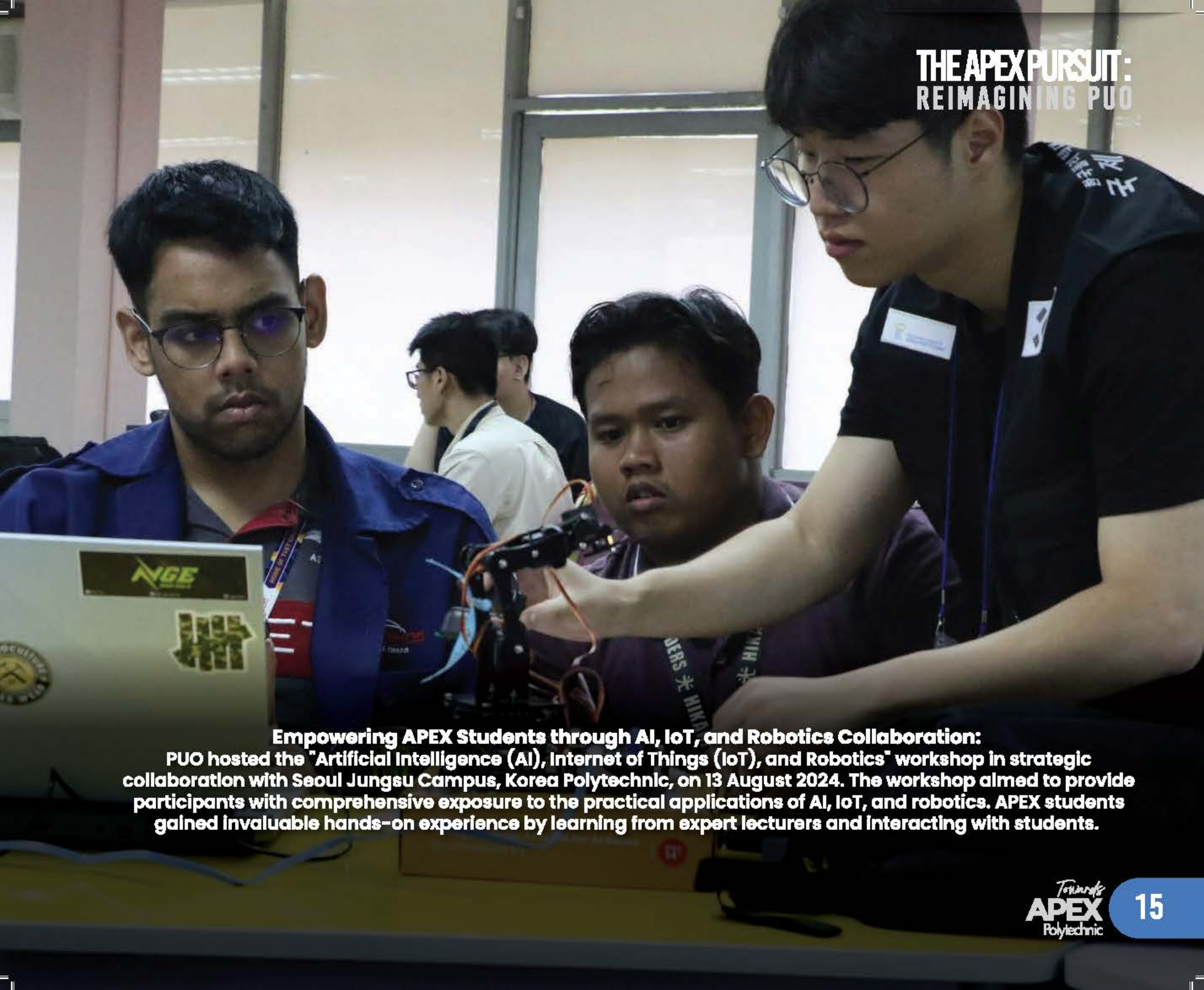
POLCITY BUILDERS (POLITEKNIK UNGKU OMAR)

Celebrating Innovation and Sustainability:

On January 20, 2024, both PUO teams brought home a total prize of RM15,000 in the GreenCity AR iPad Challenge Final: Shaping Sustainable Urban Cities, organized by UDA Holdings Berhad in collaboration with Apple Professional Learning Malaysia and UKM Pakarunding. PUO teams triumphed with creative solutions for sustainable urban development. Team Greenscape City won Second Place with their project Pioneering Sustainable Urban Living, while Polcity Builders secured Third Place with Labu Sayong Eco City.

A group of students in blue uniforms are gathered around a table, working on a drone. One student is holding a small white component, while others are looking at the drone's internal components. A larger drone is mounted on a stand in the background.

Enhancing Employability through Drone Skills:
Electrical engineering students participated in the drone piloting course held on August 7 and 8, 2024. This employability enhancement program aimed to provide students with essential knowledge of drone operation and maintenance, strengthening their skills and practical expertise to equip them with industry-relevant competencies for future career success.



Empowering APEX Students through AI, IoT, and Robotics Collaboration:
PUO hosted the "Artificial Intelligence (AI), Internet of Things (IoT), and Robotics" workshop in strategic collaboration with Seoul Jungsu Campus, Korea Polytechnic, on 13 August 2024. The workshop aimed to provide participants with comprehensive exposure to the practical applications of AI, IoT, and robotics. APEX students gained invaluable hands-on experience by learning from expert lecturers and interacting with students.

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Leading with Knowledge:

At the Malaysia International Marine Expo 2024 (MIMEX), held from November 12 to 14, three student representatives from PUO effectively promoted the marine engineering diploma program. Demonstrating professionalism and confidence, they engaged with attendees and showcased their in-depth knowledge of the program. The event served as an exceptional meeting point for the global maritime community in Malaysia, a region where the industry remains buoyant and poised for strong growth.



Celebrating Excellence in TVET Foundation:

On May 21, 2024, Politeknik Ungku Omar honored 91 students from the first ASASI TVET cohort during the Student Excellence Appreciation Ceremony. Deputy Secretary-General (Policy) of MOHE, Dato' Dr. Haji Megat Sany, emphasized the importance of sustaining excellence and strengthening the TVET ecosystem through synergy between Polytechnics and MTUN universities.



Cultivating Leadership:

This powerful representation of civic engagement highlights the principled leadership nurtured within the Institution. Apex-oriented students contribute to empowering leadership by fostering these values, preparing to uphold sovereignty while driving progress and inspiring future leaders.

Apex-Oriented Students Shine in Franchising Challenge: Encik Izwan Helmi bin Mohd, a graduate of Politeknik Ungku Omar (PUO), achieved remarkable success with his business, Perusahaan Dellamar Brownies & Coffee, which earned third place in the prestigious 2021 Siswa Franchals Challenge. Organized by the Ministry of Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs and the Malaysian Franchise Association, the competition highlighted Encik Izwan's entrepreneurial spirit and provided a platform for PUO alumni to contribute to the community.



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Hands-on Learning for Future Engineers:

Marine engineering students gain practical experience in ship operations and emergency response through simulations. Guided by their academic program, they explore the complexities of maritime engineering, equipping them with the skills and knowledge needed to tackle real-world challenges and excel in the maritime industry.

Igniting Creativity and Competition:

On 9 November 2024, the Digital Scrabble Challenge 2024, organized by the Department of Information and Communication Technology, brought together students to showcase their linguistic skills in an engaging and interactive format. The exciting event encouraged strategic thinking, vocabulary enhancement, and healthy competition, fostering creativity and teamwork while providing a fun, challenging platform for participants to excel in the world of words and digital games.

4th NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON TVET

FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

NCTS2024

"TVET Pemangkin Penyelidikan Madani"

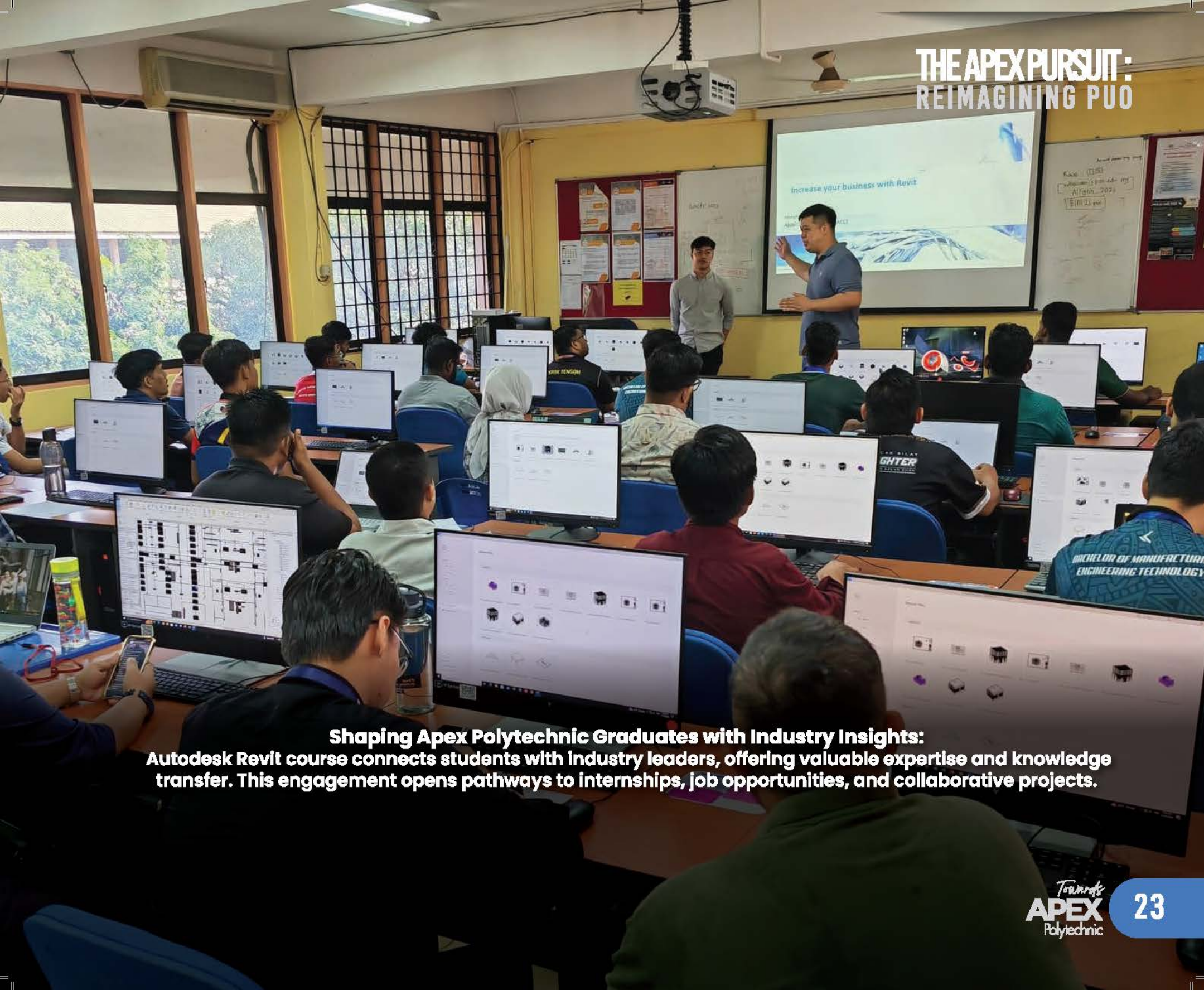
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Bridging Skills with Innovation:

The National Conference on TVET for Undergraduate Students (NCTS 2024), held from June 24 to June 26, 2024, aimed to present the research outcomes of students during their 10-month Work-Based Learning in industry. Representing academic excellence, Civil Engineering Technology (BCT) and Manufacturing Engineering Technology (BMS) students gathered at NCTS 2024 to discuss transformative ideas in TVET education.



Shaping Apex Polytechnic Graduates with Industry Insights:
Autodesk Revit course connects students with industry leaders, offering valuable expertise and knowledge transfer. This engagement opens pathways to internships, job opportunities, and collaborative projects.

Empowering APEX Students through Practical Training:
This practical learning equips students with essential skills in operating, troubleshooting, and maintaining pneumatic equipment, preparing them for real-world applications. By mastering pneumatic technology, APEX students enhance their technical expertise, ensuring they are industry-ready and capable of addressing the challenges in modern engineering fields.



Student Ingenuity on Display:

The Civil Engineering Student Project Innovation Symposium (CESPIS) 2024, held on 12 November 2024 showcases innovative solutions and technical expertise from final-semester students. This event provides a platform for students to apply their classroom knowledge to solve real-world challenges, equipping them with the skills and experience needed for future careers. proofread.

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Honoring Excellence:

Muhammad Amir Md Jazi was the recipient of the Ungku Omar Award and the Menteri Besar of Perak Special Industry Award at PUO's 52nd Convocation Ceremony held on 26 August 2024, celebrating outstanding academic and industry achievements.



Fostering Apex-Oriented Entrepreneurs:

Dellamar Brownies & Coffee proudly clinched 3rd place in the Best Graduate Enterprise category, representing Politeknik Ungku Omar (PUO) at the KPT Entrepreneurship Awards (AKKPT) 2023. This recognition, earned amidst fierce competition from over 20 higher education institutions, highlights PUO's commitment to nurturing entrepreneurial excellence.



Driving Internationalization and Innovation:

8 October 2024. Learning Express (LeX) program with Singapore Polytechnic at Freshwater Fish Farming Project (Biofloc) Lenggong. LeX program emphasizes internationalization and cross-cultural learning. Students from both polytechnics collaborated on needs statement presentations, offering valuable feedback through persona-based group activities.

Celebrating Cultural Tapestry:

The Commerce Department Club, in collaboration with Sistem Penasihat Akademik PUO and the Marine Club PUO, organized the Keretapi Sarong PUO program on September 24, 2024. This vibrant event showcases the students' commitment to fostering a sense of community, tradition, and cultural pride. It highlights how students embrace and celebrate Malaysia's diverse cultural heritage, enriching their learning experience and strengthening their connection to local traditions.



Fostering Holistic Apex Students:

Politeknik Ungku Omar (PUO) commemorated Maulidur Rasul SAW 1446H/2024M with activities designed to shape holistic Apex-oriented students. Highlights included a procession, a motivational talk on emulating Rasulullah's noble character, and competitions such as Khat writing, Infographic contest, and Explorace.



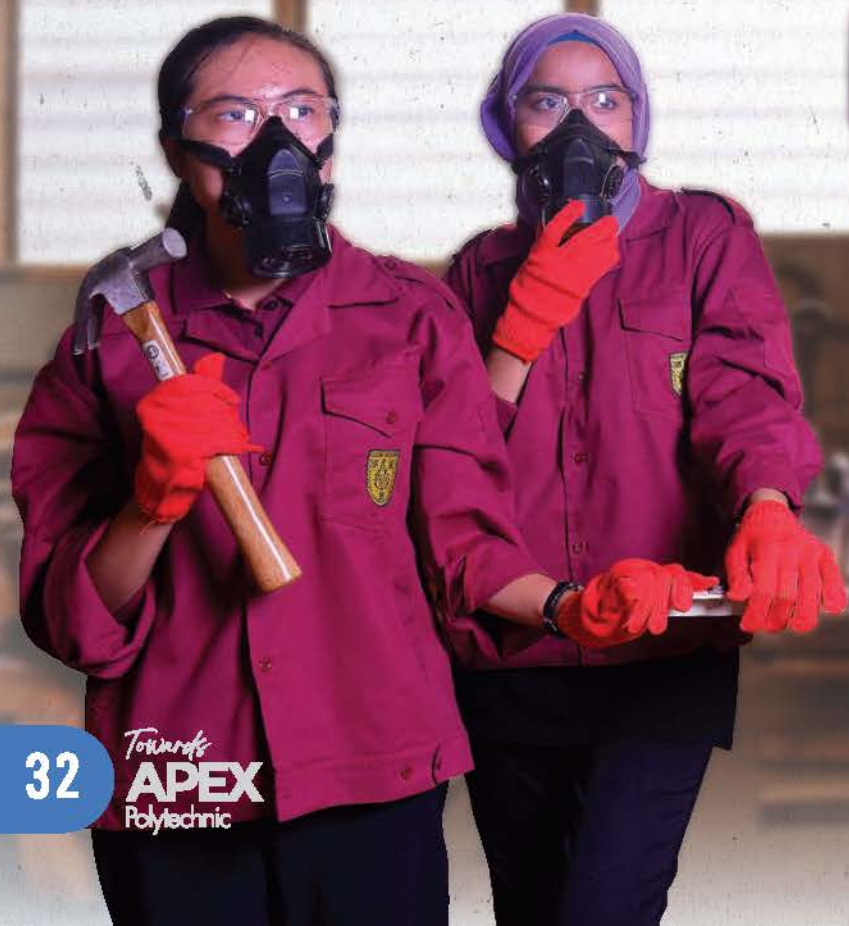
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A Milestone for Apex-Oriented Students:
The convocation ceremony was a momentous celebration of academic excellence, marking significant milestones for PUO graduates. This event highlights the dedication, hard work, and innovative mindset of the students, emphasizing their readiness to contribute to the advancement of their respective fields and the broader community.

INDUSTRY -RELEVANT CURRICULUM



Curriculum with a Purpose:

Each course is designed to produce industry-ready talent, ensuring graduates thrive in their chosen fields.

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Shaping Industry-Relevant Curriculum for Future Graduates:
INDEX Nexus POLYCC 2024, held on September 4, 2024, created more opportunities to develop a curriculum aligned with industry needs, ensuring POLYCC graduates are well-prepared for the workforce. Strong collaboration between higher education institutions and industry is crucial in filling job vacancies with skilled TVET graduates, bridging the education-employment gap.

Bridging TVET Education with Industry Needs:

Through Samsung's contribution of advanced teaching tools via the Samsung Edu Centre and Hybrid Classroom, PUO is transforming TVET education to meet industry demands. This initiative ensures students gain hands-on experience with advanced technology, fostering skills directly relevant to technical fields. This will strengthen the alignment between education and industry needs, offering specialized pathways that prepare students for a dynamic and competitive job market.

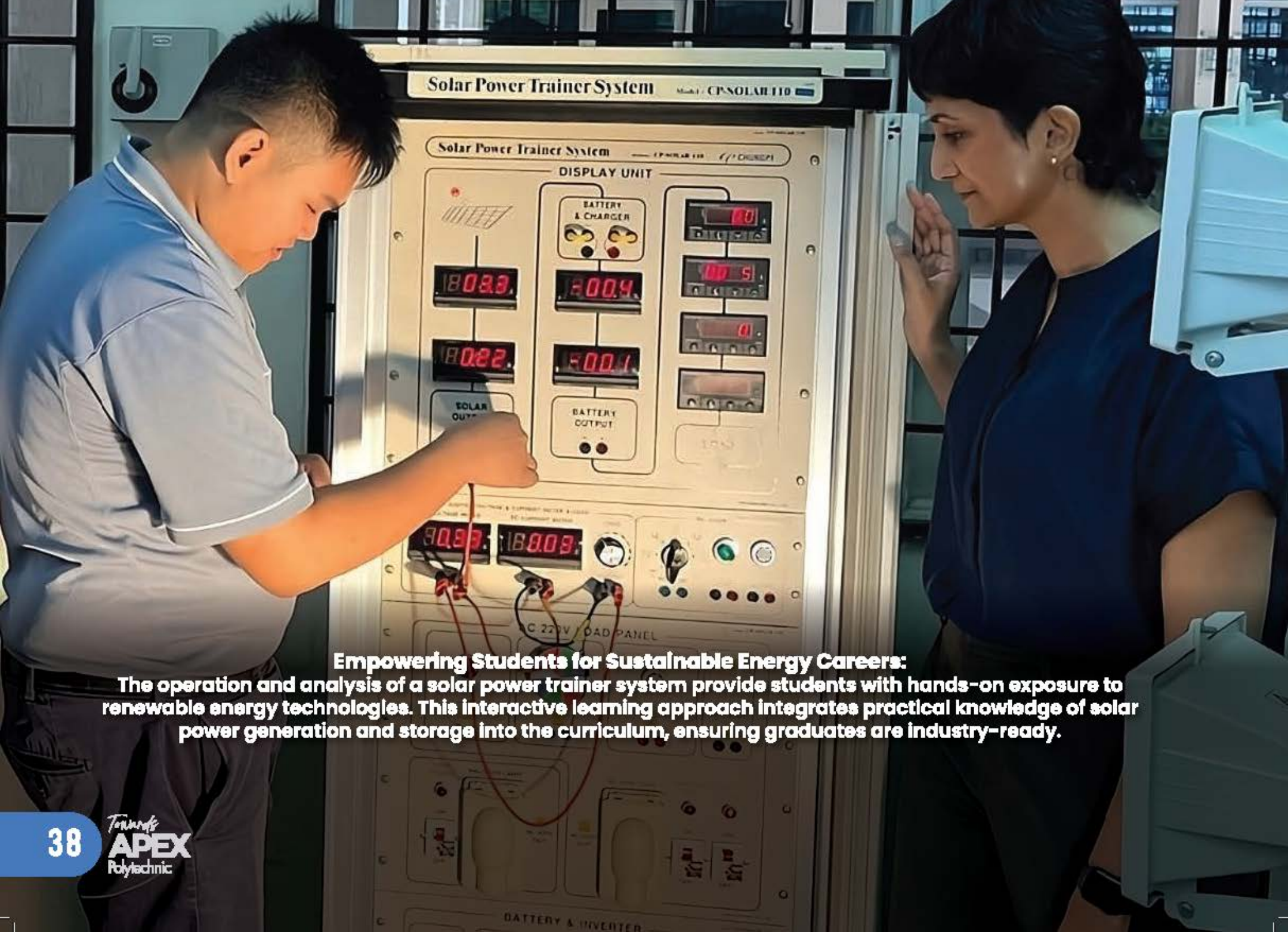


Enhancing Industry-Relevant STEM Education:

In conjunction with the Putrajaya Festival of Ideas 2024, legged robot competitions and demonstrations offered students a platform to apply engineering principles, problem-solving, and design skills.



Empowering Expertise at the Centre of Air Conditioning:
The Panasonic Air-Conditioning Malaysia Caravan was held on November 27, 2024. The event showcased cutting-edge technologies and sustainable climate solutions. Hosted by the Centre of Air Conditioning, it provided participants with hands-on knowledge, fostering skills and innovation in air-conditioning systems.



Empowering Students for Sustainable Energy Careers:

The operation and analysis of a solar power trainer system provide students with hands-on exposure to renewable energy technologies. This interactive learning approach integrates practical knowledge of solar power generation and storage into the curriculum, ensuring graduates are industry-ready.



Bridging Theory and Practice:

On October 22, 2024, an exploratory visit to Spritzer Ecopark Sdn Bhd in Taiping provided PLC and Automation course students with hands-on insights. The program aimed to expose students to real-world industry environments and share knowledge on the application of automation systems in manufacturing, enhancing their practical understanding and industry relevance.

Innovating Education for Tomorrow:

Lecturers from the Mathematics and Science Department are developing an IoT Project Application Module for the TVET Foundation In Engineering Technology. This initiative integrates cutting-edge IoT concepts with foundational engineering skills, preparing students for the evolving demands of Industry 4.0 and future technological advancements.

Bridging Learning with Industry-Relevant Skills:

Virtual Reality (VR) classrooms immerse students in simulated environments, allowing them to experience real-world scenarios. This hands-on approach enhances learning by fostering practical skills relevant to industries. VR classrooms provide students with unique, experiential learning opportunities, aligning academic knowledge with industry demands for a more dynamic curriculum.

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Bridging Education with Industry Opportunities:

Career Connect @ Politeknik Ungku Omar, held from October 15 to 16, 2024, offers students valuable opportunities for employment and industrial placements. The program features open interview sessions for job placements and internships, providing students with industry-relevant experience to enhance their career prospects.



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POLITEKNIK UNGKU OMAR (PUO)
Mentor Didi Asmara bin Salim



Recognizing Excellence in HVAC Education:
The Malaysian Air-Conditioning and Refrigeration Association (MACRA) honored outstanding students from institutions that nurture skilled and professional TVET talent in the HVAC field on September 20, 2024. This recognition celebrates academic achievements and co-curricular excellence, highlighting the commitment to producing industry-ready graduates in air-conditioning and refrigeration.





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Celebrating Innovation and Excellence:

Lecturers from Geo-Innovate secured 3rd place overall and won the Gold Award in the Innovative and Creative Group Horizon 2024 (KIKHB 2024) held on 29 August 2024. This achievement showcases their exceptional creativity, problem-solving skills, and commitment to advancing innovative solutions in engineering and technology.

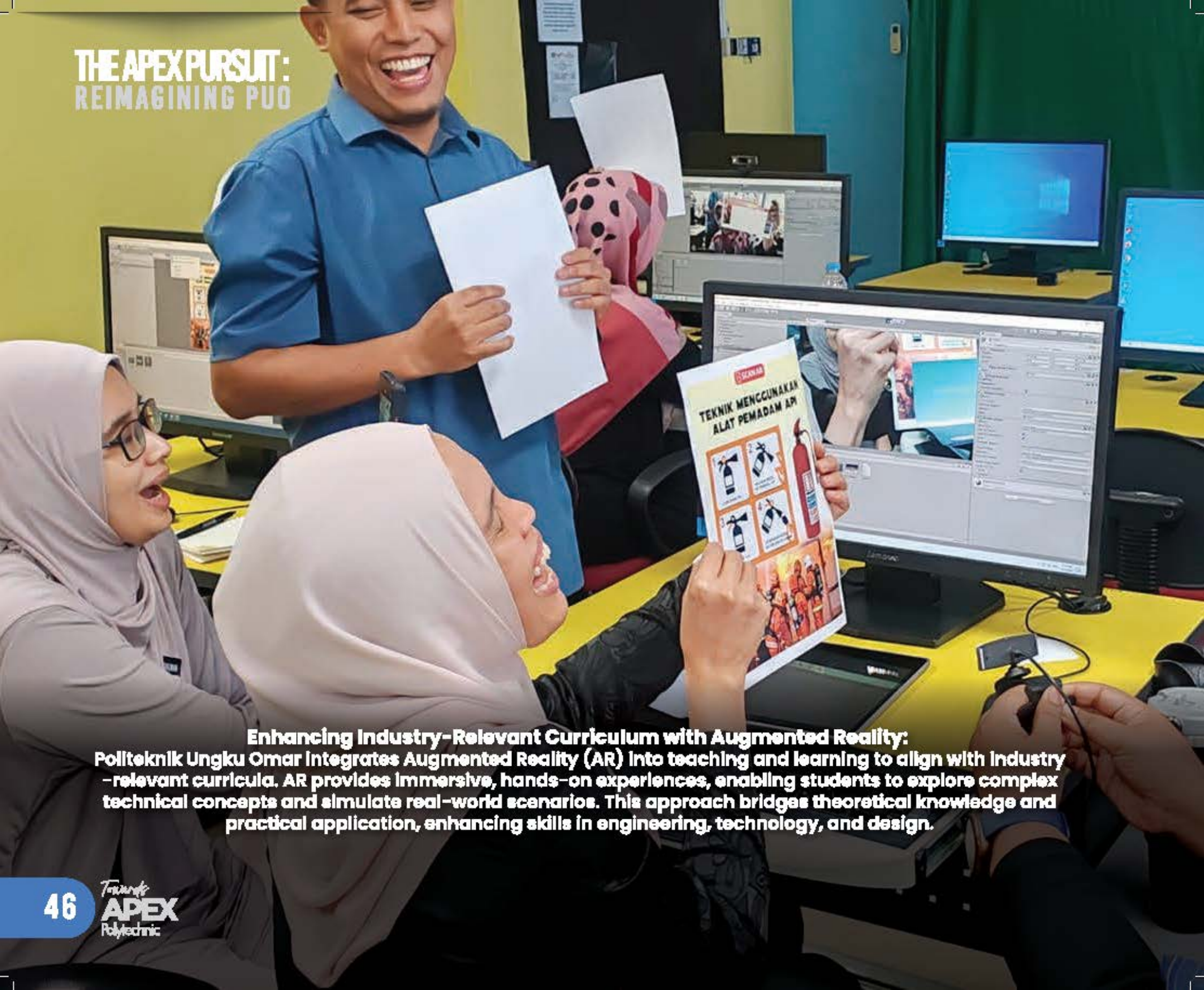


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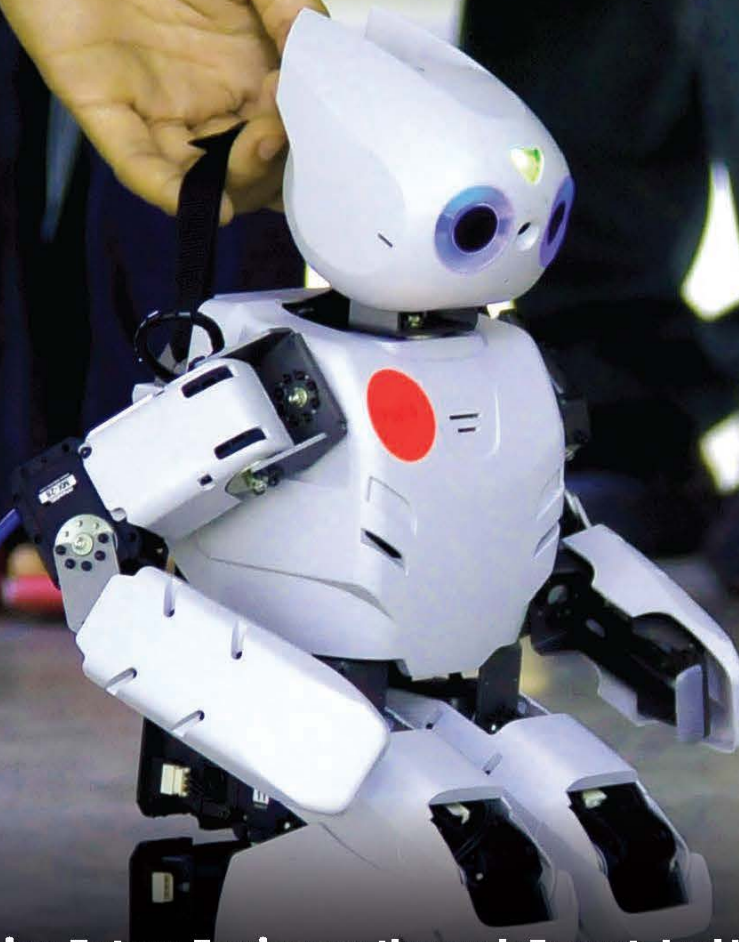
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MEDSPEC

Building Industry-Ready Skills:

The Mechanical Engineering Department Students' Projects Exhibition & Competition (Medspec) is held every semester to showcase students' final semester projects. Judged on communication, social responsibility, project management, and entrepreneurship, the MEDSPEC competition aligns with an industry-relevant curriculum, helping students develop confidence, leadership, and essential project management skills.



Enhancing Industry-Relevant Curriculum with Augmented Reality: Politeknik Ungku Omar integrates Augmented Reality (AR) into teaching and learning to align with industry-relevant curricula. AR provides immersive, hands-on experiences, enabling students to explore complex technical concepts and simulate real-world scenarios. This approach bridges theoretical knowledge and practical application, enhancing skills in engineering, technology, and design.



Empowering Future Engineers through Expert-Led Hands-On Learning:
Through expert-led hands-on sessions, students gain practical experience in robotics and telecommunication systems. The lecturer's guidance fosters collaboration, enhances technical skills, and sharpens problem-solving abilities, preparing students for future careers in engineering and technology with a strong foundation in real-world applications and system understanding.

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Enhancing Industry-Relevant Curriculum with Virtual Hybrid Classrooms:

The virtual hybrid classroom blends in-person and online learning, offering flexibility and access to diverse resources. It supports industry-relevant curricula by integrating real-world applications, virtual simulations, and expert-led webinars. Students can engage in collaborative projects, develop digital competencies, and gain exposure to industry tools, making them better prepared for the evolving workforce.



Advancing Sustainable & Inclusive Education:

On September 10, 2024, Professor Akiko Kamogawa from Waseda University, Japan, conducted a research interview at Politeknik Ungku Omar on Polytechnics in Malaysia from a Gender Perspective. Joined by TVET expert Professor Dr. Ramlee Mustapha (UPSI), this study reinforces PUO's commitment to sustainability and inclusivity in education.

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CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE



Inspiring Excellence in Every Step:

PUO upholds excellence through strategic initiatives that foster collaboration within the TVET ecosystem, ensuring a dynamic learning environment. , ensuring a dynamic learning environment.

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Fostering Collaboration for TVET Success:

Malaysia Marine Engineering Technology TVET Collaboration Hub (MarETech) emphasizes the importance of collaboration among key stakeholders—educational institutions, industries, and the government—in the TVET ecosystem. By aligning resources, capabilities, and relationships, they contribute to the successful implementation of the national TVET agenda. This synergy ensures that TVET programs remain relevant, responsive, and effective in meeting the evolving needs of the industry and the broader economy.

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CARE
Centre of Air-conditioning and Refrigeration



Recognizing Excellence in HVAC Education:
The Centre of Air-conditioning and Refrigeration (CARE) plays a vital role in research and development (R&D), offering students opportunities for further education while fostering strong collaborations with HVAC industry players.



Driving Excellence at PUO:

The Centre of Strategic Management (CSM) was established to plan, manage, monitor, and evaluate the institution's strategies. Its goal is to ensure that PUO achieves its vision, mission, and objectives as a leading technical education institution, fostering continuous growth and excellence in educational delivery.

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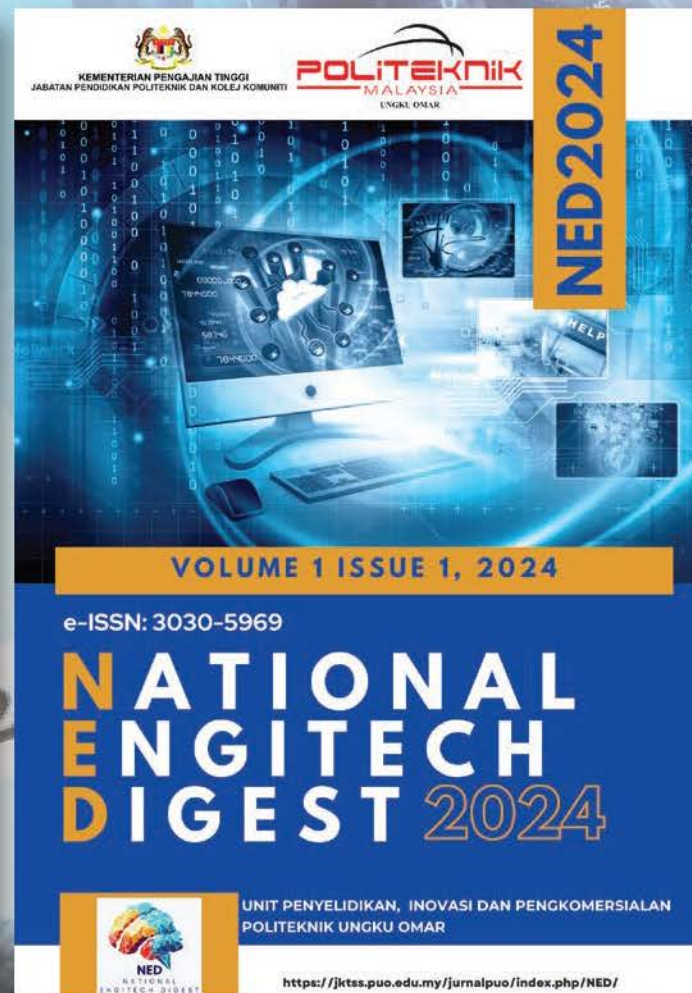
Building Expertise for the Maritime Industry:

The Engine Room Simulator at the Centre of Technology in Marine Engineering (CTME) serves as a hub for research, consultancy, and innovation in marine engineering and technology, supporting the growth and competitiveness of Malaysia's maritime sector. It aims to develop technical expertise and promote advancements in the maritime industry through its training, certification, and collaborative programs, fostering skill development and enhancing the industry's overall capabilities.



Digital Learning and Multimedia Empowerment:
The Center of Digital Learning and Multimedia (CDLM) at Politeknik Ungku Omar focuses on developing digital learning resources and multimedia applications to enhance the educational experience. It serves as a hub for the creation, integration, and implementation of innovative digital tools and content across the institution's programs.

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Empowering Research:
The Research, Innovation, and Commercialization Unit (C-Rie) serves as a central hub, providing researchers with comprehensive guidance and up-to-date information throughout the research and innovation process. As a center of excellence, it ensures a seamless experience by offering clear procedures, empowering researchers to advance knowledge and innovation successfully.

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Bridging Education with Industry Opportunities:
Career Connect @ PUO organised by Corporate, Industry, Services and Employability Center (CISEC) provides students with job and internship opportunities through open interviews, fostering industry-relevant experience and enhancing their employability for future careers.



Driving Excellence in Quality and Risk Management:
PUO's Center of Quality Assurance and Risk Management (CQARM), established in 2018, serves as a hub of excellence in ensuring top-tier service and performance. Integrating quality management and risk mitigation strategies, CQARM empowers PUO with consistent quality assurance, informed decision-making, and robust accreditation efforts.



Enhancing Excellence Through Work-Based Learning:
PUO's Centre of Graduate Studies (GCS) excels in advancing WBL programs, fostering strategic industry collaborations, and providing impactful placements to produce highly competent, industry-ready graduates aligned with its excellence-driven mission.

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Honoring Excellence and Innovation:

The Entrepreneurship Appreciation Night at Politeknik Ungku Omar (PUO), organized by the Center for Entrepreneurship Development, celebrated the outstanding achievements of lecturers, staff, students, and alumni in entrepreneurship. Officiated by Encik Mohamad Rozlan bin Mohamad Razalli from STeP, the event aligned with KPT's KPI and the goals of PPPM (PT) 2015–2025, which aim to nurture holistic, entrepreneurial graduates who contribute to the nation's development and growth.

Greening the Campus:

PUO reaffirms its commitment to sustainability by planting 24 bufida trees across its campus. This initiative, led by the Centre for Sustainability Excellence, enhances the greenery and reflects PUO's dedication to fostering an eco-friendly environment, promoting a greener and more sustainable campus for future generations.

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ASASI TEKNOLOGI KEJURUTERAAN

Centre of Excellence in Engineering Technology Education:

The opening of the science laboratory on November 19, 2024, marks an important step in strengthening practical learning for the Foundation in Engineering Technology programs. This laboratory will enhance students' capabilities in science and engineering technology, while providing a dedicated space for practical sessions.


C-TeCH
CENTRE FOR TECHNOLOGY CONVERGENCE AND HUMANITIES

POLYTECHNIC

Advancing Expertise for Future Growth:

Centre for Technology Convergence and Humanities (C-TeCH) serves as a hub for advanced expertise, dedicated to fostering the growth of SMEs while spearheading the development of future-focused education and training programs. Its initiatives aim to empower industries with cutting-edge skills and knowledge, driving innovation and sustainability in a rapidly evolving global landscape.

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Leading Excellence as APEL.A Assessment Centre:

PUO has been appointed by the Malaysian Qualifications Agency (MQA) as the first internal Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL.A) Assessment Centre under the Department of Polytechnic and Community College Education (JPPKK). This recognition, effective from 28 November 2024, marks a significant milestone in PUO's journey. It cements PUO's role as a centre of excellence, promoting lifelong learning, expanding access to higher education, and aligning with its vision to achieve Apex Polytechnic status.

COLLABORATION GRID



Future Talent, Today:

Through alumni, industry partners, and academia synergy, PUO develops future talent with a deep understanding of market demands.

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Empowering Future Graduates:

TM TVET Madani is a strategic partnership between Yayasan TM (YTM) and the Department of Polytechnic Education & Community Colleges (JPPKK). This initiative aims to develop industry-relevant TVET programs, equipping graduates with essential digital skills and expertise in fiber network technologies for future career success.

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Samsung
Edu Centre



Driving TVET Innovation Through Strategic Collaborations: Samsung's contribution of high-technology equipment to the Samsung Edu Centre and Hybrid Classroom enhances interactive teaching and learning for TVET Foundation students. This collaboration strengthens PUO's alignment with MTUN, fostering a robust TVET ecosystem.

THE SMART FACTORY
THE NEW DIGITAL PRODUCTION ENVIRONMENT WITH UNPRECEDENTED CONNECTIVITY

Strengthening TVET Collaboration:

The benchmarking visit to UCSI University on November 24, 2024, marks a strategic effort to strengthen relationships with TVET institutions. This initiative aims to learn from UCSI's branding strategies and best practices that have contributed to its success.



Strengthening Global TVET Ties: Timor-Leste Minister Visits PUO

The official visit by His Excellency Mr. José Honório Jerónimo da Costa Pereira, Minister of Higher Education, Science, and Culture of Timor-Leste, to Politeknik Ungku Omar (PUO) on 4 December 2024 marks a historic milestone. Welcomed by PUO Director Dr. Shamsuri Abdullah, the visit showcased PUO's cutting-edge facilities, including maritime simulators, AR/VR labs, and hybrid classrooms.



Expanding Global Partnerships: Kazakhstan Delegation Visits PUO:

On December 7, 2023, PUO welcomed a delegation from Kazakhstan, led by Professor Zhumataev Nurlybek Srailovich of South Kazakhstan University. Joined by representatives from Almaty colleges, discussions focused on fostering bilateral collaborations in training exchanges and knowledge transfer. Hosted by PUO Director Dr. Shamsuri Abdullah and the management team, this visit strengthens PUO's global TVET network, paving the way for innovative international partnerships in technical and vocational education.

Empowering Careers through Strategic Collaboration:
The China-Malaysia New Energy Vehicle Technology International School Enterprise Cooperative Project offers students valuable career support through employment recommendations and technical guidance. This collaboration ensures students achieve Geely Automobile L2 job-level certification and Li Auto maintenance specialist certification, fostering strong industry partnerships and enhancing career prospects in the new energy vehicle sector.



Hands-on Learning in Action:

Politeknik Ungku Omar and Kolej Komuniti Pasir Salak collaborated on practical chemistry lab sessions for the Engineering Technology Fundamentals program. This partnership provided students with hands-on learning opportunities, strengthening their technical competencies.



Expanding Training Opportunities through Collaboration:
The Center of Technology in Marine Engineering (CTME) actively offers specialized training to industry professionals and educational institutions. This collaboration ensures a continuous exchange of knowledge, fostering advancements in the maritime sector and strengthening the relationship between academia and industry.

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A Vital Learning Experience:

A CSR visit to the One Fathom Bank Lighthouse aboard MV Polaris provided curriculum developers with a firsthand look into the working environment of marine engineers on board. This exposure ensures that the training and policies for marine engineers at PUO align with the standards of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the maritime industry, preparing students for successful careers in maritime safety and premium wages.



Strategic Partnership for Lecturer Training:
The 2024 Learning Express Design Thinking Training, held at Singapore Polytechnic, highlights a strategic partnership aimed at enhancing lecturer development. This collaboration fosters innovative teaching methodologies, equipping lecturers with design thinking skills to better engage students and enrich their teaching practices for future success.

Collaboration for Green Technology and Environmental Conservation:

A collaborative program between Commerce Department, Majlis Perbandaran Manjung (MPM) and Persatuan Aktivis Sahabat Alam (KUASA), aims to apply Green Technology Compliance theory in real-world contexts. Students gain insights into human-environment relations, especially mangrove conservation, enhancing their analytical and critical skills.



Strengthening Community Ties through CSR Collaboration:

The Student Representative Council of Politeknik Ungku Omar organized a CSR initiative at SRAROA Nurul Hikmah, Kampung Tonggang, in collaboration with Plus, as part of the "Hari Komuniti Myplus" program. This initiative aimed to foster a "Community for Community" culture, enhancing social empowerment and strengthening the relationship between PUO, the local community, and Plus.



Empowering Future Architects:

The ReWAKE IPOH: Community Hub for Sustainability and Innovation final project presentation on Jalan Horley held on November 15, 2024, Ipoh, featured invaluable guidance from PUO Architecture Alumni serving as industry panellists. Their constructive feedback helped refine students' designs, highlighting innovative solutions and a strong commitment to sustainability.



Empowering Students with Solar Energy Expertise:
The first batch of Bachelor's degree students in Electrical Engineering partnered with a solar industry expert for a solar energy program. They gained practical knowledge of solar technology applications and insights into the green energy industry.

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Fostering Collaboration through Spiritual Seminar:

Seminar Adabul Ikhtilaf Peringkat Negeri Perak 2024 on 20 October 2024 successfully brought together various organizations, including Pertubuhan Duat Al-Falah, JAKIM, the Department of Islamic Religious Affairs Perak, and Politeknik Ungku Omar. This collaboration, along with support from strategic partners such as YADIM, ABIM, and the Islamic Student Union of Perak, enriched participants with valuable insights on ethical debates.

Strategic Collaboration for Islamic Education Empowerment:
The strategic collaboration between Politeknik Ungku Omar (PUO) and Yayasan Dakwah Islamiyah Malaysia (YADIM) aims to empower Islamic outreach and education among PUO students. This partnership fosters a deeper understanding of Islamic teachings, enriching students' academic and personal development through meaningful, faith-based initiatives.



Strengthening Ties with Media Practitioners:

Politeknik Ungku Omar hosted over 34 media practitioners from 22 agencies at the Meet & Greet Media Negeri Perak program on 18 April 2024. PUO Director, Dr. Shamsuri Abdullah, expressed gratitude for their consistent support in highlighting PUO's achievements. Certificates of appreciation were presented to media agencies for their vital role in elevating PUO's reputation as a leading TVET institution.



PUO Collaborates for a Fun, Healthy and Impactful Celebration:

The "Program Rakan Muda X PUO Fun Run" was a successful event organized in collaboration with the Secretariat Rakan Muda (SRM), PUO and Pejabat Belia dan Sukan Daerah Kinta. This joint effort, held on 13 October 2024, fostered student engagement while promoting physical well-being. The 5 km run was a vibrant display of teamwork, as it not only highlighted the unity of various organizations but also strengthened PUO's community impact through effective collaboration.

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SUSTAINABILITY BADGE



A Symbol of Holistic Excellence:

The Sustainability Badge goes beyond environmental stewardship, recognizing impactful contributions in humanity, education, community collaboration, and lean management.



A Legacy of Sustainability in Marine Engineering:
Marine Diesel 2-Stroke Engine, gifted to PUO in 1972, stands as a testament to resilience and sustainability. Its ongoing use reflects the institution's dedication to responsible resource management and its commitment to fostering a sustainable, history-rich educational environment for future generations.



Commitment to Environmental Sustainability:

On February 22, 2024, Politeknik Ungku Omar (PUO) demonstrated its commitment to environmental sustainability through the CSR "Campus Greening Program." Beyond tree planting, the initiative raised environmental awareness among students and staff while promoting collective responsibility. In line with Malaysia's 100 Million Trees Campaign, 100 Merawan Siput Jantan trees were planted with over 500 participants.

Sustainability In Action:

As part of the 2024 Seafarers and Lighthouse Carnival, the Malaysian Maritime Department (JLM) led a CSR Beach Cleanup at Gurney Bay, Penang. In collaboration with the Lighthouse Authority, this Initiative aimed to promote sustainable coastal practices and raise awareness about the harmful effects of plastic waste, contributing to the protection of marine ecosystems and supporting the local community's well-being.



Celebrating Independence with Sustainable Patriotism:
Politeknik Ungku Omar (PUO) is committed to embracing Malaysia's independence with a spirit of patriotism, responsibility, and resilience. This reflects a focus on sustainable practices, ensuring a bright future through the preservation of national values.

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Sustainability in Humanity:

"PUO's Solidarity for Palestine", a profound reflection of compassion and unity, this act of solidarity highlights PUO's dedication to promoting global awareness, peace, and justice while fostering the enduring values of humanity's sustainability.



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Driving Educational Sustainability:

EV Automotive Hangzhou Silk Road Youth Exchange Program" offered a platform to enhance cross-cultural collaboration and knowledge sharing between nations. Participants explored advancements in EV automotive technologies while building lasting educational partnerships, fostering innovation, and strengthening global ties for a sustainable future.

Sustainability in Learning:

Dr. Shamsuri Abdullah, representing PUO, attended the International Learning Festival (ILF) and Learning Express (LEX) Program at Singapore Polytechnic in September 2024. The event, gathering leaders and facilitators from 18 institutions across Southeast Asia and India, focused on AI and sustainability in education.

Echo of Earth:

Final-semester Architecture students presented "Echo of Earth", The Labu Sayong Heritage Centre, Jalan Pulau, Kuala Kangsar project, on May 16, 2024. These projects showcased innovative, sustainable designs, blending practical skills with eco-conscious strategies. Students demonstrated their commitment to shaping a greener future, reinforcing educational excellence and sustainability.

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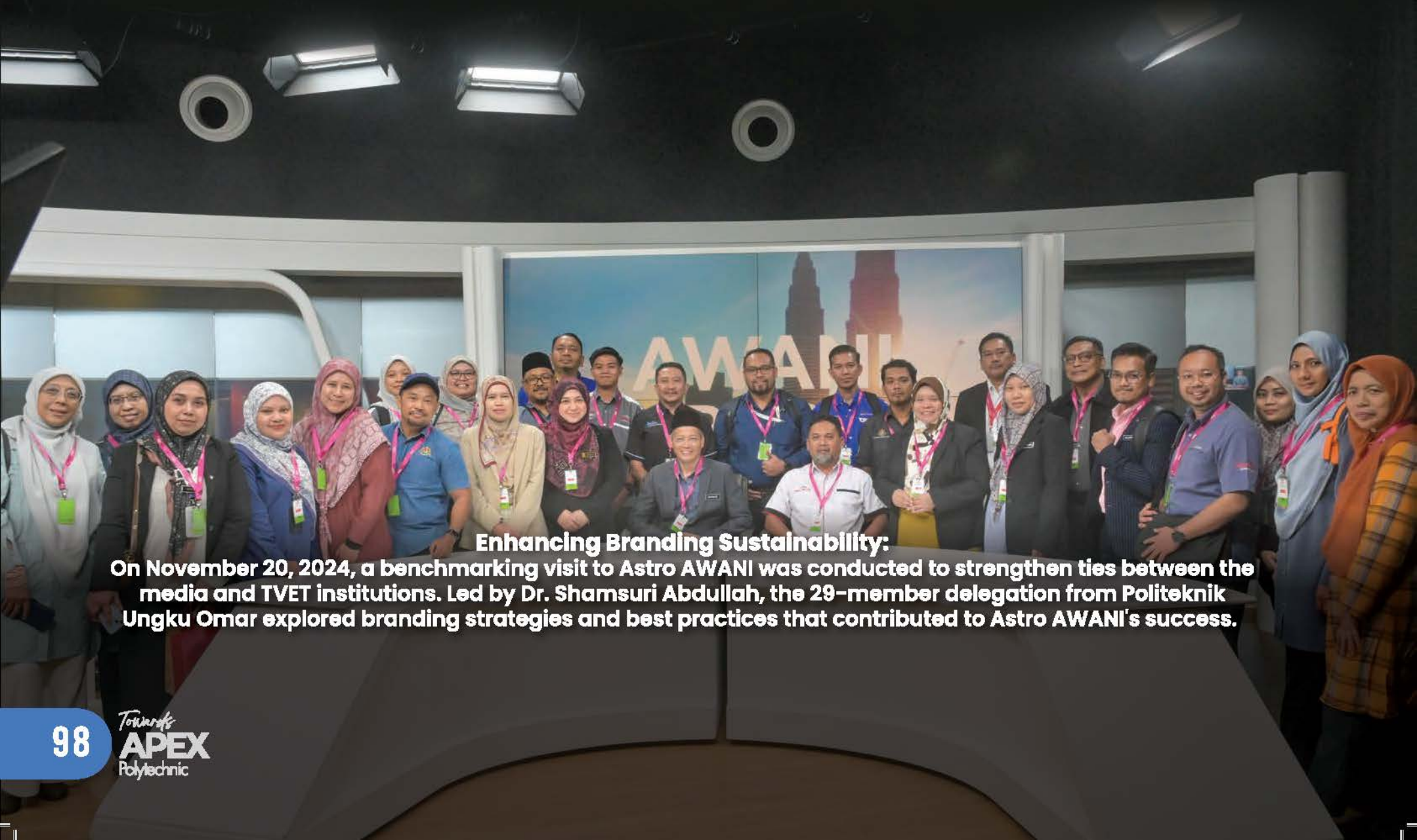
Driving Sustainability in Governance:

Lean Kaizen @ PUO 2024 Convention on 6 November 2024 brought together six departments—ULPL, CQARM, C-RIE, JHEP, ULIB, and JPA—highlighting collaborative efforts in sustainable governance. The initiative supports recognition from Malaysia Productivity Corporation (MPC), celebrating impactful Lean Management projects.



Strategizing Sustainability:

The Management Review Meeting 2024, held on October 25 amidst the refreshing surroundings of Cameron Highlands, set an inspiring tone for PUO's future. Chaired by Dr. Shamsuri Abdullah, Director of Politeknik Ungku Omar, the meeting focused on sustainable governance and strategic planning to achieve APEX Polytechnic status by 2027. It also included a brainstorming session on PUO's Long-Term Strategic Plan to further empower the Institution's growth and direction.



Enhancing Branding Sustainability:

On November 20, 2024, a benchmarking visit to Astro AWANI was conducted to strengthen ties between the media and TVET institutions. Led by Dr. Shamsuri Abdullah, the 29-member delegation from Politeknik Ungku Omar explored branding strategies and best practices that contributed to Astro AWANI's success.

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