



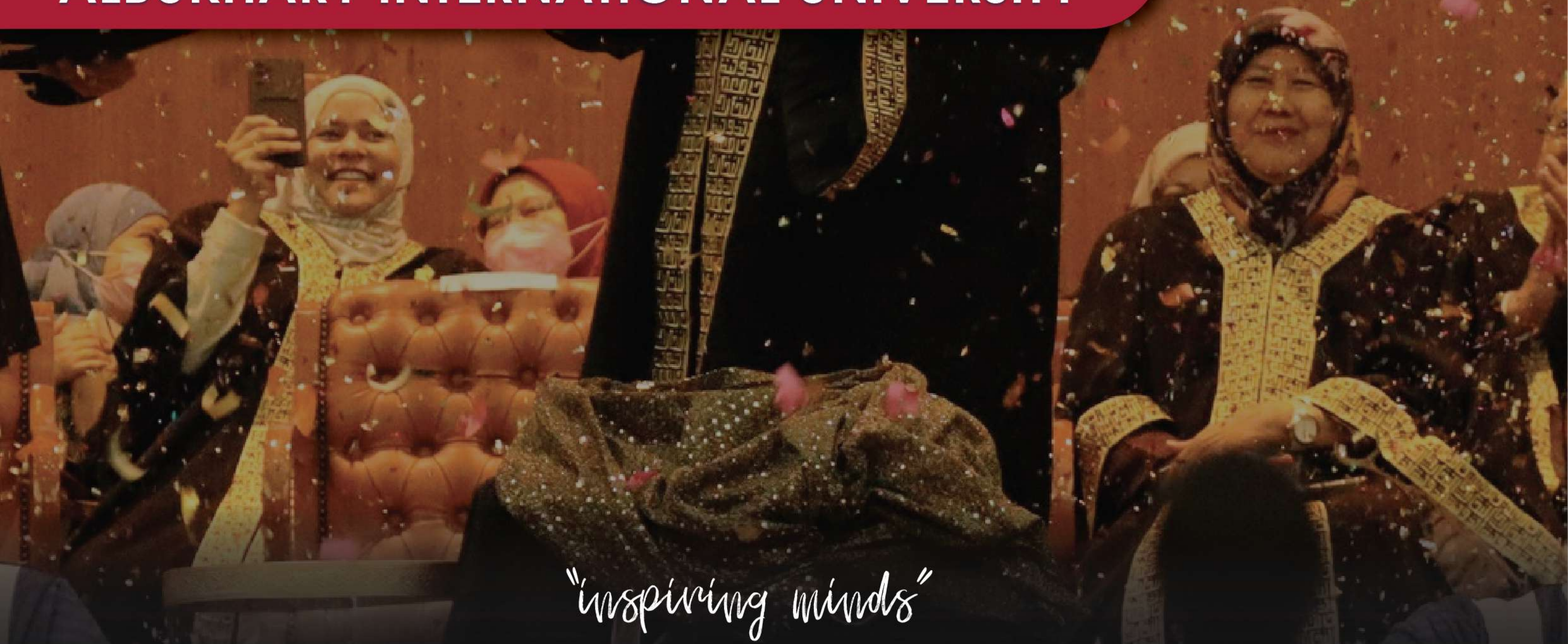
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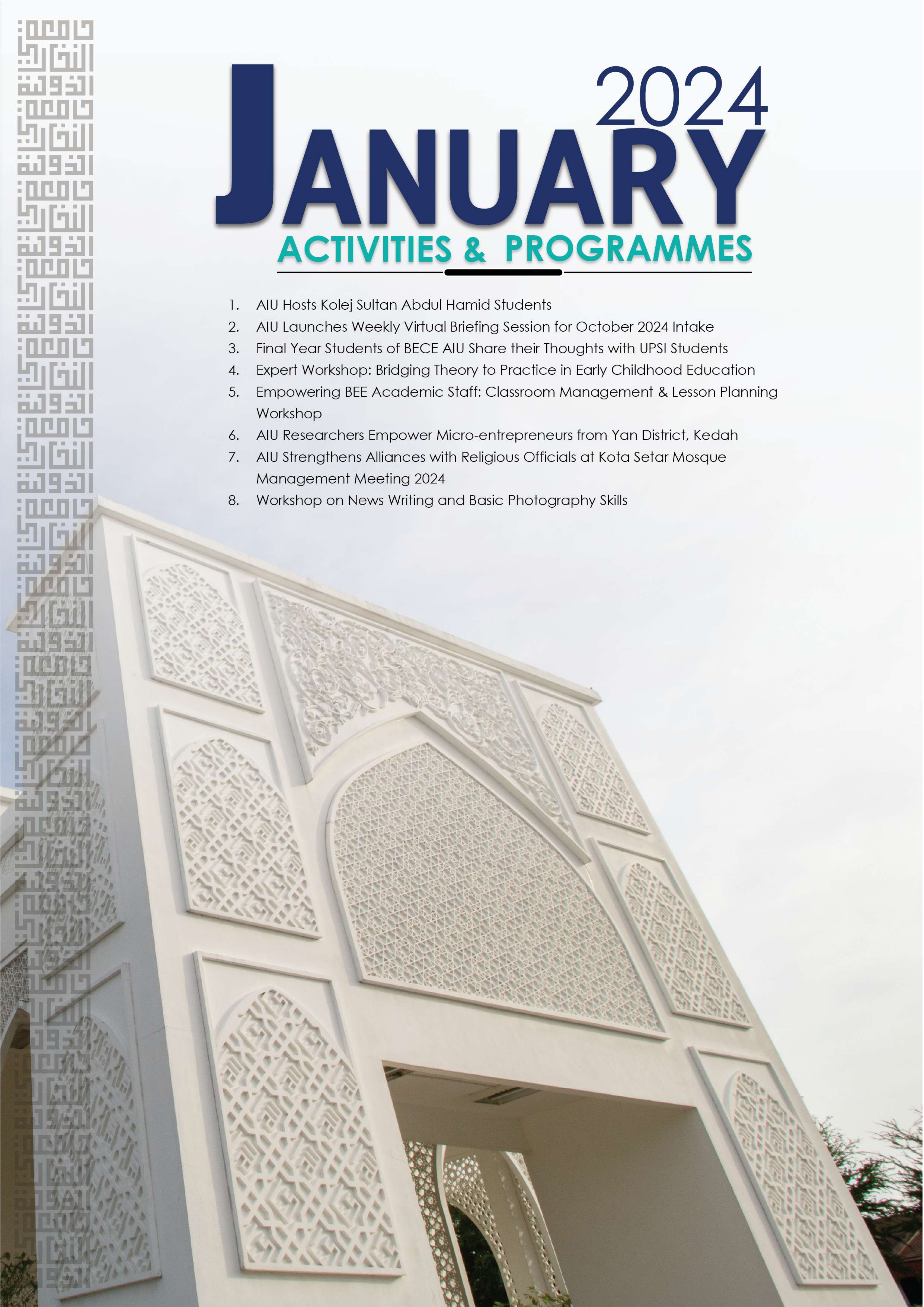
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AIU Hosts Kolej Sultan Abdul Hamid Students

04 January 2024

AIU hosted SPM students from Kolej Sultan Abdul Hamid (KSAH) to inspire them for their exams. Invited speakers shared their success stories, personal journeys, and valuable insights. AIU's Vice Chancellor and President also took the opportunity to share about AIU's philosophy, vision, mission, the 5As Core Values, the 8-Hour Rule, academic programmes and scholarship opportunities.

AIU LAUNCHES WEEKLY VIRTUAL BRIEFING SESSION OCT 2024 INTAKE

AIU launched Weekly Virtual Briefing Session for October 2024 Admission Intake (AIU), scheduled every Friday from 09:30 am - 10:30 am for interested Malaysian and international applicants.

Final Year Students of **BECE** Share Their Thoughts with **UPSI** Students

16 January 2024



18 final-year students from the Bachelor in Early Childhood Education (BECE) exchanged their thoughts with students from Universiti Pendidikan Sultan Idris (UPSI) in an engagement session organised by the School of Education and Human Sciences (SEHS), Albukhary International University (AIU), in collaboration with the National Childhood Research and Development Centre (NCRDC), UPSI.

The Dean of the School of Education and Human Sciences, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Tengku Shahrom, highlighted that the programme aims to expose students to the exemplary model of a research-based childcare centre. "Through this initiative, the final-year BECE students have the opportunity to exchange their learning activities, sharing their experiences in Social Business and 3Zero projects with students from UPSI," he added.

This is also a platform where participants among students deliberate on ideas of creating sustainable business models or jobs through their future professions, such as opening childcare centers with minimum capital.

Expert **Workshop:** Bridging Theory to Practice in **Early Childhood Education**

19 January 2024

Bachelor in Early Childhood Education (BECE) academic staff participated in a workshop titled "Bridging Theory to Practice in Early Childhood Education,". The event, organised by the Centre for Teaching and Learning (CTL), aimed to empower educators with practical strategies for integrating theoretical concepts into teaching.

The overarching objective of the workshop was to enable educators to connect theory to classroom practices in a meaningful and impactful way. Participants delved into strategies for aligning theoretical concepts with everyday teaching practices, emphasizing the importance of coherence with the Standard National Preschool Curriculum (KSPK). Attendees actively participated in discussions, shared their experiences, and engaged in hands-on activities that reinforced the workshop's key concepts.



Empowering BEE Academic Staff: Classroom Management & Lesson Planning Workshop

17 January 2024



The Centre for Teaching and Learning (CTL), in collaboration with the School of Education and Human Sciences (SEHS) organised a Workshop on Classroom Management & Lesson Planning for Elementary Education to equip Bachelor of Elementary Education (BEE) academic staff with essential skills.

Facilitated by educators from IPG Sultan Abdul Halim Campus, Sungai Petani, the workshop focused on effective classroom management and lesson planning strategies, ensuring a conducive learning environment. Armed with practical tools, educators are prepared to prioritize student engagement and academic excellence, elevating the quality of education provided.



AIU Researchers Empower Micro-entrepreneurs from Yan District, Kedah

20 - 21 January 2024

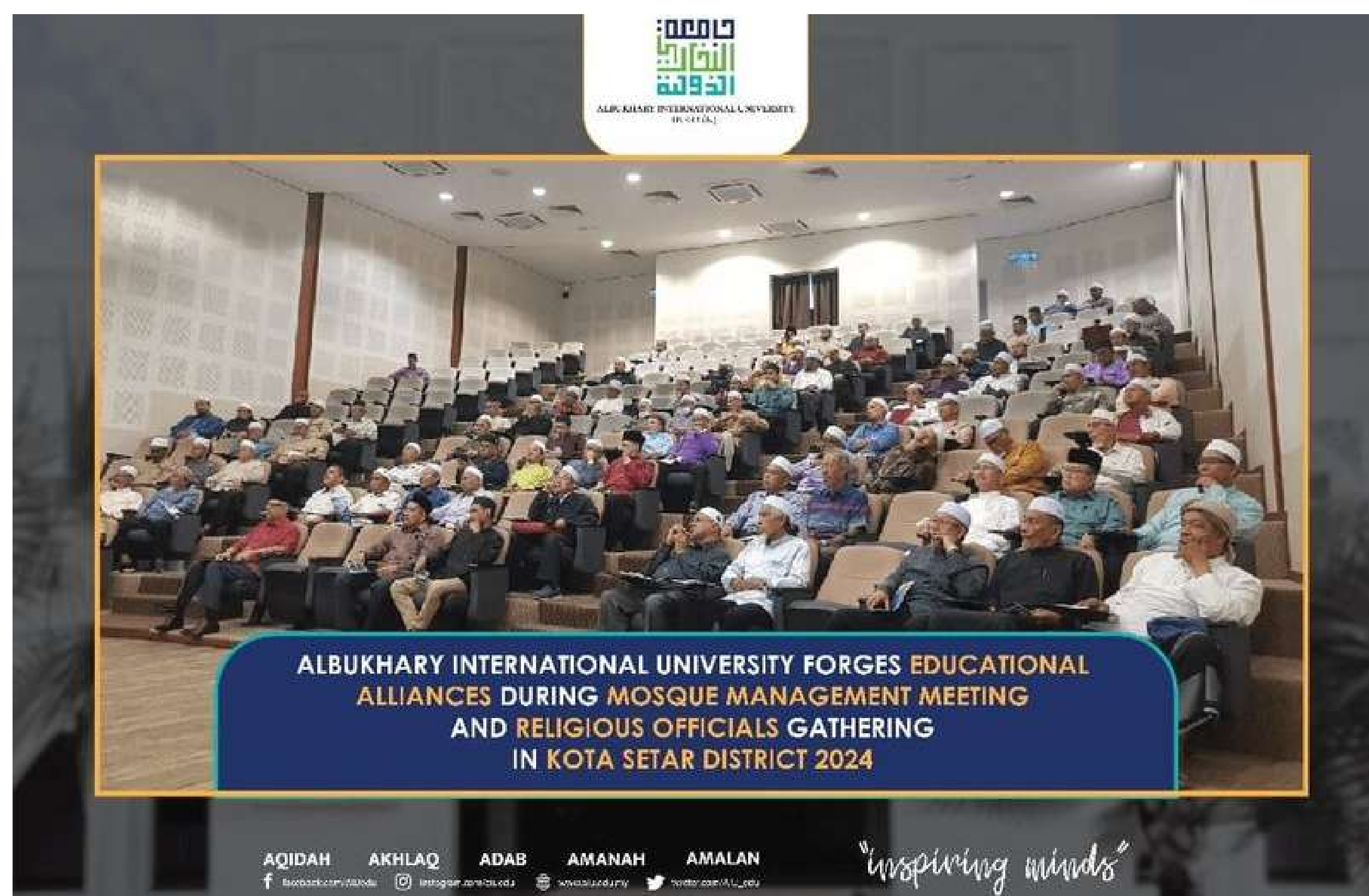
Micro-entrepreneurs from Yan District, Kedah, attended a two-day workshop titled "Creative Business through Social Media Series 1," organised by AIU researchers. The workshop aimed to enhance digital marketing skills, particularly on TikTok and Instagram, guided by SBSS lecturer Noorasyikin Mohd Noh and AIU student facilitators.

Supported by Era Edar Marketing Sdn. Bhd. and the Chief (Penghulu) of Yan District, Mokhairuddin Mohamad,

the workshop is part of a collaboration between AIU and UUM to empower micro-entrepreneurs through digital avenues. The upcoming workshop series is scheduled to recommence in the next 5–6 months, allowing time to gather feedback and results from both the workshop and the Social Media Support Group.

AIU Strengthens Alliances with Religious Officials at Kota Setar Mosque Management Meeting 2024

28 January 2024



Albukhary International University (AIU) played a pivotal role during the Mosque Management Meeting with the presence of religious officials from Kota Setar District.

The event, attended by 90 distinguished invitees, aimed at fostering connections and exploring avenues for recruiting eligible prospective students to AIU.

AIU's Director of Corporate Communications and Marketing, Mr. Abdul Shakur Abdullah took the opportunity by sharing a comprehensive overview of academic programmes, scholarship offerings, admission process, Social Business ecosystem and the 3ZERO Club initiatives.

The briefing accentuated AIU's dedication to building bridges with the community, creating a symbiotic relationship where education becomes a spark for positive change. As one of the higher educational institutions, AIU eagerly anticipates welcoming prospective local students from the Kota Setar District and all over Malaysia, contributing to their educational journey and broader societal impact.

Workshop on News Writing and Basic Photography Skills

29 - 30 January 2024



The inaugural workshop on news writing and basic photography skills was organised by the Corporate Communications and Marketing Department (CCM), with the attendance of more than 30 administrative staff of Albukhary International University (AIU).

The workshop was conducted by Mr. Ziinine Abdesselam, lecturer at the School of Education and Human Sciences (SEHS) and a senior news writer, along with Bro.

Mujtaba Amin, Graduate Assistant at CCM.



Speaker

Ziinine Abdesselam
BMC Lecturer



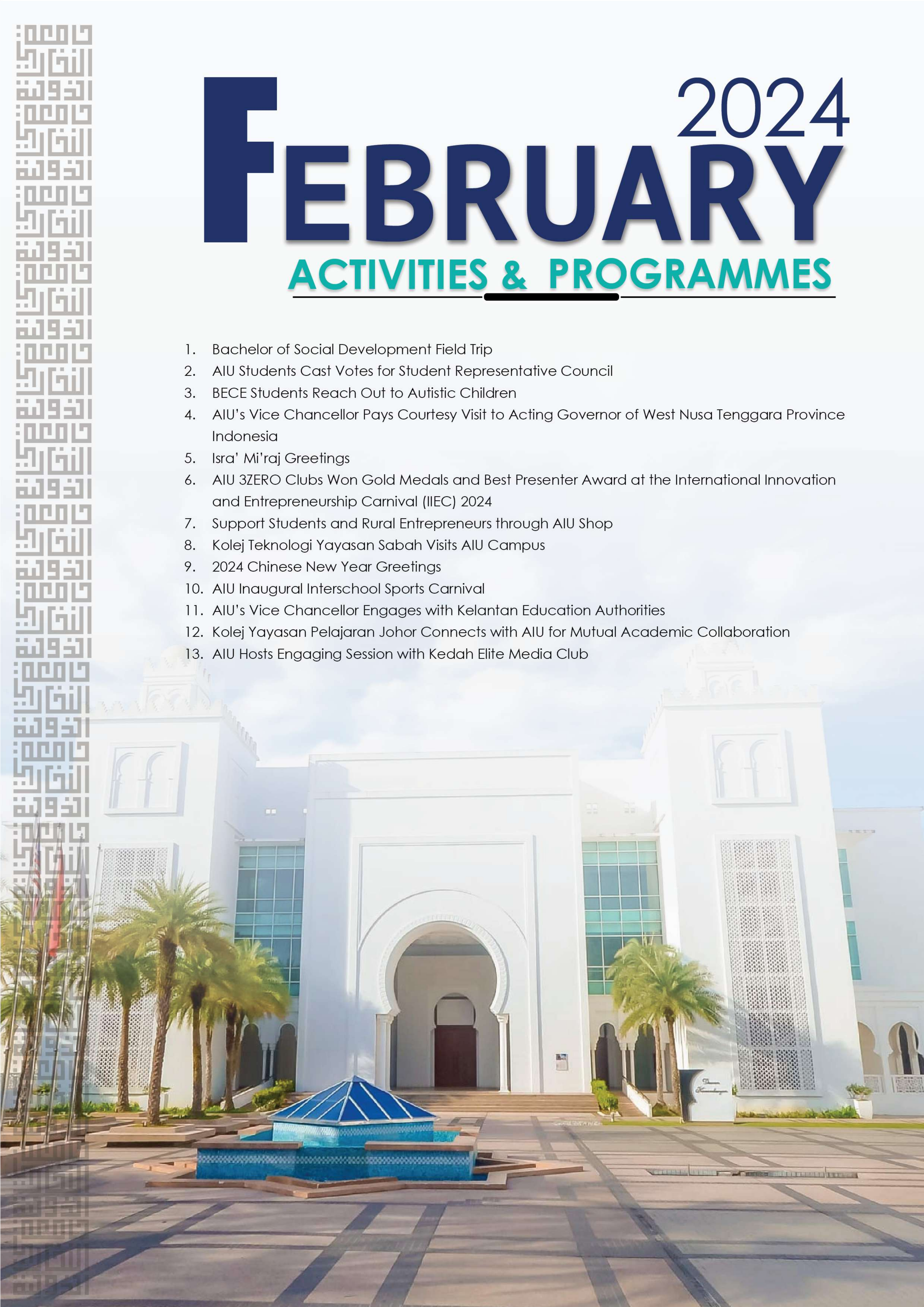
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Bachelor of Social Development Field Trip



01 - 02 February 2024

47 international students of Bachelor of Social Development Programme (BSD) from Albukhary International University (AIU) participated in the two-day and one-night field trip entitled "BSD Field Trip: Foster Family Programme in Desa KEDA, Tepi Sungai, Kuala Muda, Kedah State", organised by the Kedah Regional Development Authority (Lembaga Kemajuan Wilayah Kedah (KEDA) in collaboration with Albukhary International University and the Kuala Muda Fishermen's Association.

The objective of this programme was to expose international students to life in the countryside and Malaysian culture and tradition, as well as to promote cross-cultural communication.

AIU Students Cast Votes for Student Representative Council

04 February 2024



In a lively and democratic atmosphere, 973 students out of 1264 enrolled at Albukhary International University (AIU) participated in the voting process, to choose their leaders for the 2023/2024 term in the eagerly anticipated Student Representative Council (SRC) General Election. The election, held from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm, experienced a significant rise in voter turnout reaching 77%, in contrast to the previous year. This increase highlights the students' eagerness to actively participate in shaping the future of their student council. Excitement filled the campus as students eagerly exercise their voting rights for 10 general seats, 4 seats dedicated to the School of Business and Social Sciences (SBSS), 4 for the School of Education and Human Sciences (SEHS), and 2 for the School of Computing and Informatics (SCI).



BECE Students Reach Out to Autistic Children

05 February 2024

A group of 25 students enrolled in the Bachelor in Early Childhood Education (Honours) (BECE) Programme at Albukhary International University (AIU) participated in a collaborative initiative with the National Autism Society Malaysia (NASOM) Alor Setar, Kedah to foster an inclusive learning environment that encourages the participation of all children, regardless of their abilities, and promotes a sense of belonging.

The BECE students were tasked to use practical inclusive teaching strategies and implement suitable assessment strategies from classroom lessons to address the individual learning needs of autistic children. There were 7 stations of activities targeting a variety of children's developmental domains.

AIU's Vice Chancellor Pays Courtesy Visit to Acting Governor of West Nusa Tenggara Province Indonesia

06 February 2024



Acting Governor of Nusa Tenggara Barat (NTB) [or West Nusa Tenggara], Drs. H. Lalu Gita Ariadi, M. Si warmly received Emeritus Professor Dato' Dr. Abd. Aziz Tajuddin, Vice Chancellor and President of Albukhary International University (AIU) at the Governor's Office in Mataram.

The Acting Governor praised AIU for providing opportunities and quality education to students from NTB to pursue their academic dreams at AIU.

He also commended AIU's philosophy, vision, mission, values, and approaches for cultivating well-rounded students who can serve humanity and act as agents of change.

"Thank you for providing opportunities to the students from NTB. I'm truly delighted by the progress of the students, and I sincerely hope for the continuation of this scholarship programme," he added.

In addition to this, he intends to extend an invitation to AIU for the NTB's Province Anniversary Celebration in December 2024. He also mentioned that the NTB Office will be in Malaysia to conduct an evaluation and observe the students' progression.

Meanwhile, Emeritus Professor Dato' Dr. Abd. Aziz conveyed appreciation to the NTB Office for its cooperation in sending eligible students to study at AIU. He also invited the Acting Governor to visit the AIU Campus and interact with students from NTB.

Isra' & Mi'raj Greetings

08 February 2024

The Night Journey, the test of faith for true believers.

"After the Prophet ﷺ was miraculously taken by night to the furthest mosque in Jerusalem, the people began to talk about it. Some of them renounced their faith and belief in him. They looked for Abu Bakr and they said, "Have you heard that your friend imagined he was taken by night to the sacred house?" Abu Bakr said, "Did he say that?" They said "Yes." Abu Bakr said, "If he said it, then it is the truth." They said, "Do you believe he went by night to the sacred house and returned before morning?" Abu Bakr said, "Yes. Verily, I believe something even more astonishing than that. I believe he has received revelations from heaven for everything he does." For this reason, Abu Bakr was named the Truthful, al-Siddiq." - Aisha (R.A) - from Dalā'il al-Nubuwwah of Bayhaqī 2/361



AIU 3ZERO Clubs Won Gold Medals and Best Presenter Award at the International Innovation and Entrepreneurship Carnival (IIEC) 2024

08 February 2024



CONGRATULATIONS

on winning the
Gold Medals and the Best Presenter Award at the
International Innovation and Entrepreneurship Carnival (IIEC) 2024

Two teams affiliated with Al-Bukhary International University (AIU) 3ZERO CLUB, known as PaperReverse and AromaRevive won Gold Medals in the Invitation Category at the International Innovation and Entrepreneurship Carnival (IIEC) 2024, which was held at the Kolej MARA Kuala Nerang. Kolej MARA Kuala Nerang initiated the event intending to nurture future leaders with innovative approaches, empowering them to directly address global challenges. The competition gathered 198 entries, with 93 participants joining virtually and 105 attending in person. Categorized into five sections, Primary School, Secondary School, Foundation/Matriculation, Diploma Programme, and Invitation, the event offered a platform for

participants to exhibit their talents and innovative ideas or products. The team AromaRevive comprising May Myat Noe and Hnin Pwint Phyu from Myanmar, Thinley Yeshey Choden from Bhutan, and Munirah Ibrahim Mohamed from Ethiopia developed an innovative product, a wax-scented tablet made from recycled cooking oil. While PaperReverse, comprising Petros Mwatura T and Patrick III Senderayi from Zimbabwe, Georgina Guinevere Anak Leslie and Siti Nur Aisyah Binti Omar from Malaysia, and Nur Fathia Andina from Indonesia, impressed the judges with its eco-friendly products. These products include clocks, chess sets, and side tables crafted from recycled paper. Additionally, the team secured the Best Presenter Award.

The teams expressed their gratitude for attaining the Gold Medals, emphasizing that this achievement would energize their determination to strive for even greater success in the future. They remarked, "These achievements reflect AIU's dedication to fostering positive change through Social Business and the 3ZERO agenda. Indeed, we are thankful for engaging in these activities as they provide opportunities for us to be innovative and creative while making a positive impact on the environment and the community."

Support Students and Rural Entrepreneurs through AIU Shop

08 February 2024



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Kolej Teknologi Yayasan Sabah Visits AIU Campus

09 February 2024



Emeritus Professor Dato' Dr. Abd. Aziz Tajuddin, the Vice-Chancellor and President of AIU received the delegation which was led by Datuk Hajjah Tah Nia Haji Jaman, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Kolej Teknologi Yayasan Sabah (KTYS). The engaging discussions centred on possible areas of collaboration such as student recruitment for qualified students from KTYS and community projects in poorest districts in Sabah.

During the presentation, the Vice Chancellor and President of AIU gave a general overview of the university and emphasised the impacts of 3ZERO Club and community engagement projects on students' learning, community livelihood, and environmental sustainability.

2024 Chinese New Year Greetings

We wish our stakeholders a Happy Chinese New Year.

We hope this new year will bring you prosperity, good fortune, and boundless success in all your endeavours. May your new year be filled with joy, unity, and a renewed sense of purpose.

Let us continue to foster mutual respect within our Campus community. Together, we can empower the next generation of leaders and scholars to make a positive impact on society.

Gong Xi Fa Cai!



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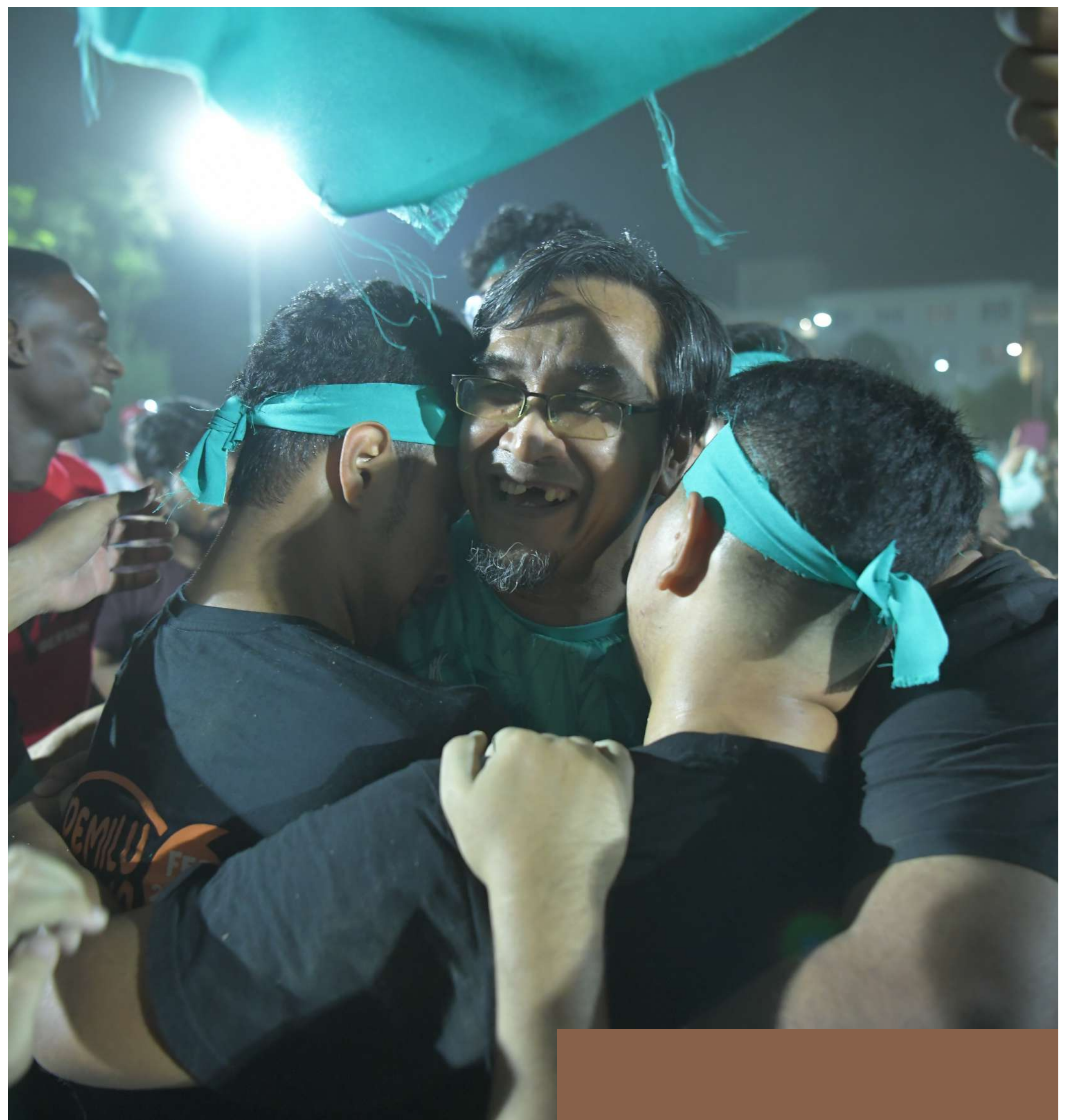
Interschool Sports Carnival

19 February 2024



Albukhary International University (AIU) has successfully conducted its first-ever Interschool Sports Carnival, a groundbreaking event that brought together three schools and two academic centres under the banner of friendly competition and sportsmanship. A total of 16 different sports were contested, among others; football, frisbee, volleyball, netball, cricket, badminton, tug of war, basketball, badminton, and the marching award.

The carnival kicked off and lasted for nearly one month, running from 12th January to 7th February 2024. The School of Education and Human Sciences (SEHS) emerged as the overall champion, trailed by the School of Business and Social Sciences (SBSS), School of Computing and Informatics (SCI), and the Language Centre (LC). The opening ceremony was graced by Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Datuk Ts Dr. Mohd Razali Muhamad, whereas the closing ceremony was honoured by the presence of the Vice Chancellor and President, Emeritus Professor Dato' Dr. Abd. Aziz Tajuddin.



AIU's Vice Chancellor Engages with Kelantan Education Authorities

18 - 19 February 2024

The Vice-Chancellor and President of Albukhary International University (AIU), Emeritus Professor Dato' Dr. Abd. Aziz Tajuddin visited Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Sultan Ismail in Kota Bharu, Kelantan State Education Department and Sekolah Menengah Sains Pasir Puteh in Pasir Puteh, as part of the university's engagement initiatives.

Throughout the visits, discussions revolved around the recruitment of bright students from underprivileged backgrounds, aiming to provide them with scholarships to pursue their studies at AIU.



Kolej Yayasan Pelajaran Johor Connects with AIU for Mutual Academic Collaboration

27 February 2024

The delegation, headed by Mr. Husaini Mohklas @ Hashim, the General Manager of Yayasan Pelajaran Johor Education Group (KYPJ) was greeted by Emeritus

Professor Dato' Dr. Abd. Aziz Tajuddin, the Vice-Chancellor and President of AIU, along with the university's key management team. Throughout the presentation, Emeritus Professor Dato' Dr. Abd. Aziz highlighted the unique characteristics of AIU as a private non-profit higher education institution, despite its relatively young inception. He also offered enrolment opportunities to eligible alumni from KYPJ to pursue their academic aspirations starting from the October Intake 2024.

AIU Hosts Engaging Session with Kedah Elite Media Club

28 February 2024

Albukhary International University (AIU) hosted an engagement session with members of the Kedah Elite Media Club (KMEK), providing an insightful glimpse into its latest developments, scholarship, academic and community work initiatives, and future endeavours. AIU also sought media support in raising awareness regarding scholarship opportunities, community projects, expertise and initiatives under Social Business.



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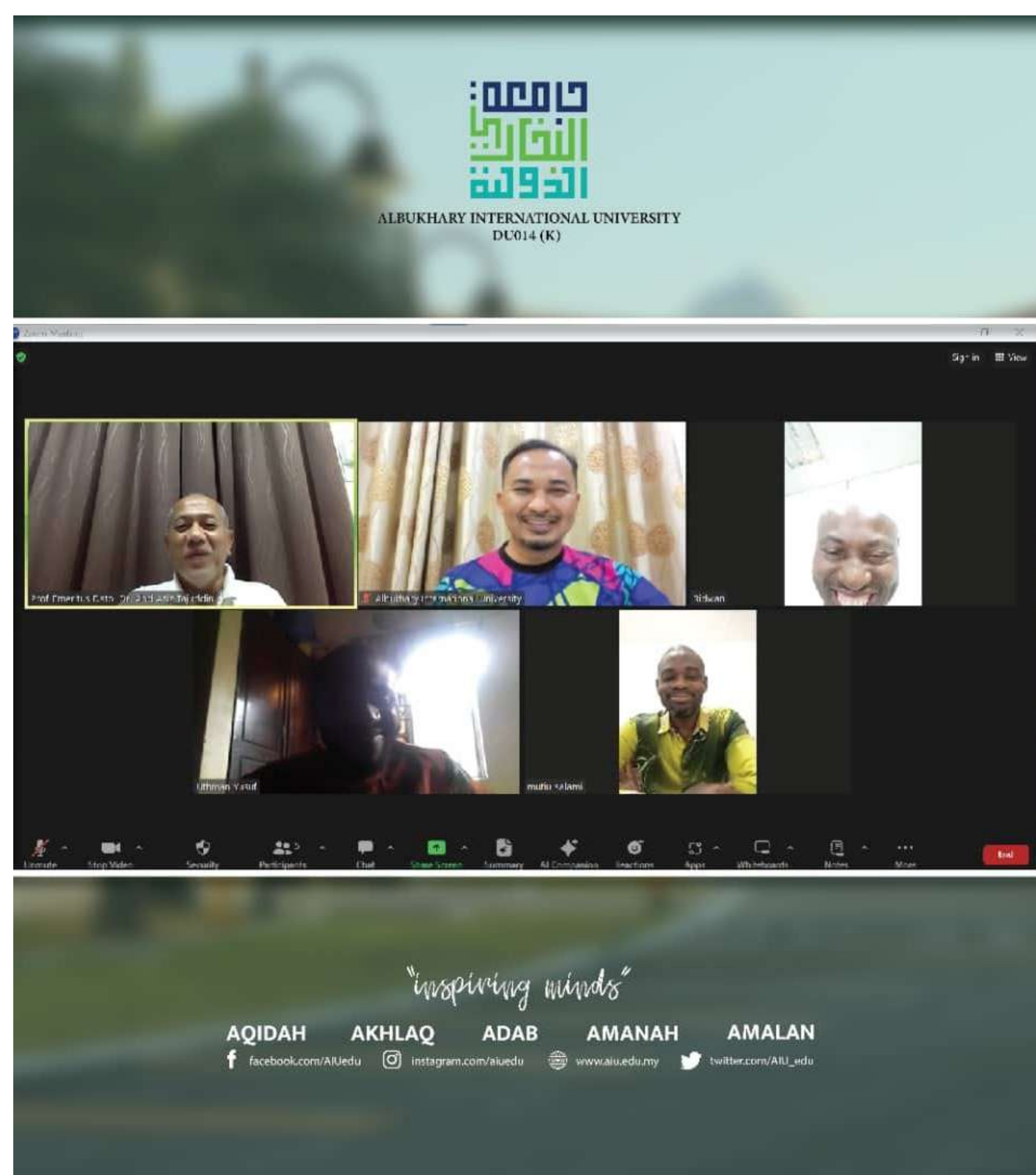
IPG SULTAN MIZAN Campus Visits AIU

01 March 2024

A team of faculty members from the Institute of Teacher Education (IPG) Sultan Mizan Campus paid a short visit to AIU to gain insights about the institution.

Mr. Abdul Shakur Abdullah, the Director of the Corporate Communications and Marketing Department, facilitated a detailed briefing on AIU at the Lecture Theatre 5. He also extended an invitation for possible joint programmes between AIU and IPG Sultan Mizan Campus, with a specific emphasis on partnering with the School of Education and Human Sciences (SEHS) at AIU. Following the briefing session, the group was taken on a tour of the campus.

Mr. Ahmad Amir Khan Shah Ahmad @ Mohammed, the Head of the Student Affairs Department commented, "We are interested in collaborating with AIU on initiatives concerning student development. We will also help disseminate information about the availability of scholarships to deserving candidates through our network." The delegation was impressed by the university's ethos and the provision of high-standard facilities that contribute to a conducive learning environment for students.



As-Safa Educational Foundation Nigeria Explores Partnership with AIU to Expand Student Admission Reach

04 March 2024

Officials from Albukhary International University (AIU) engaged in an online discussion with a partner from Nigeria, specifically As-Safa Educational Foundation (As-Safa), aiming to explore avenues for facilitating student enrolment from the Southwest region of Nigeria.

Brother Olatunji Yusuf Ayolo Uthman, Member of As-Safa Board of Trustees, expressed a desire for AIU's allocation in recruiting additional deserving students for the October 2024 Intake, given a strong interest among Nigerian students from Southwest Nigeria. AIU was also informed that Mariyam Jumoke Taofeeq, an AIU student and a semi-finalist in the Pidato Antarabangsa Bahasa Melayu Piala Perdana Menteri 2023, received assistance from As-Safa.

SCI Visits CyberSecurity Malaysia and EC-Council to Bridge Industry-Ready Skills Gap

01 March 2024



A group of students and staff from the School of Computing and Informatics (SCI), Albukhary International University (AIU) embarked on an educational excursion to visit two renowned cyber security entities, CyberSecurity Malaysia and EC-Council in Kuala Lumpur. The excursion was arranged to familiarise students and staff with the latest advancements in cybersecurity while also fostering strong connections with both esteemed organisations.

National Library of Malaysia Explores Cooperation Opportunities During Visit to AIU Library

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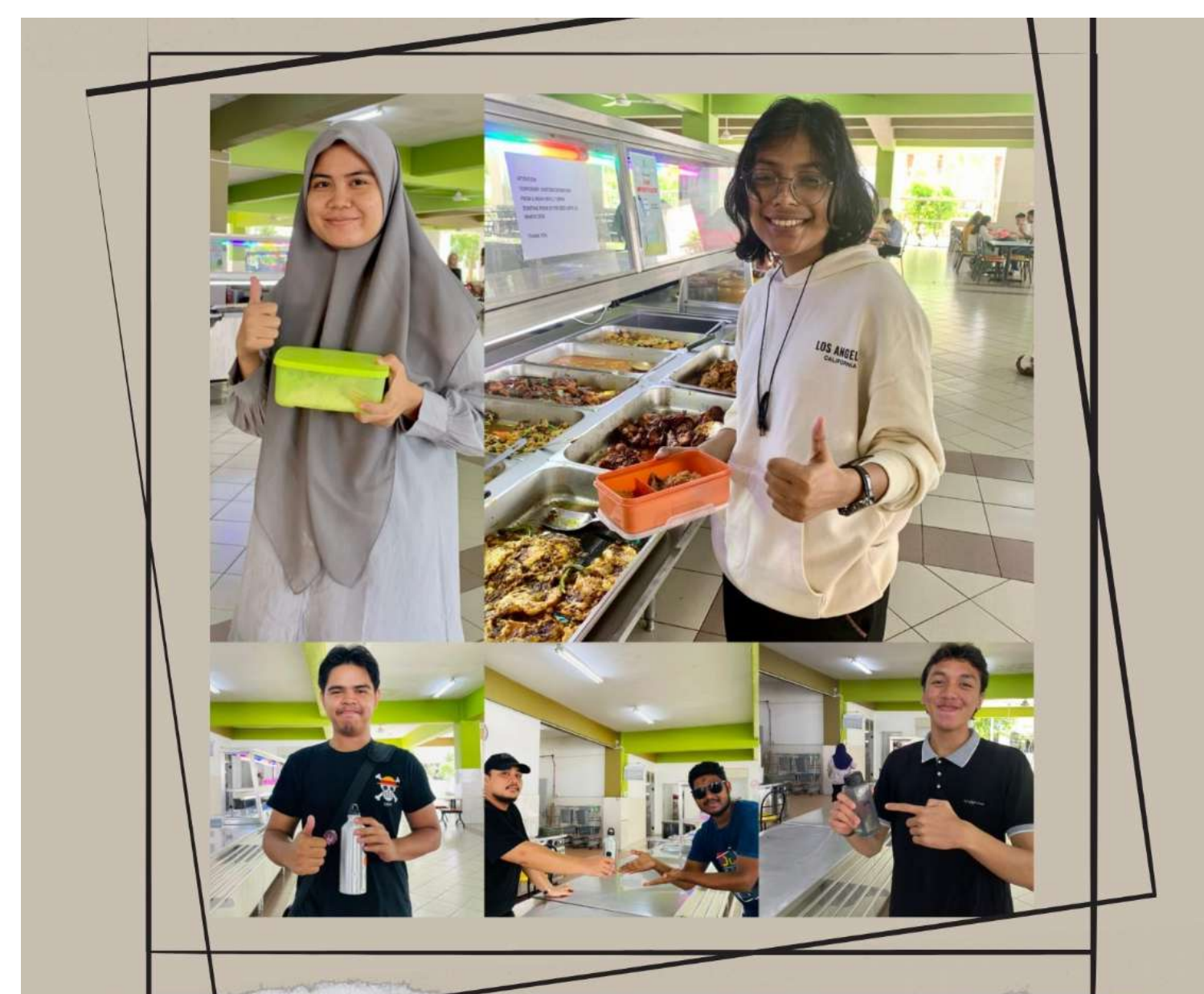
Madam Nor Azlina Ab. Ghani and Madam Aida Aripin, delegates from the National Library of Malaysia (PNM), paid a visit to the Albukhary International University (AIU) Library to foster collaboration between the two institutions and identify potential areas of mutual advantage. AIU and PNM held productive discussions regarding possible collaborations, encompassing joint research endeavours, initiatives for sharing resources, and the exchange of knowledge and expertise in library management.

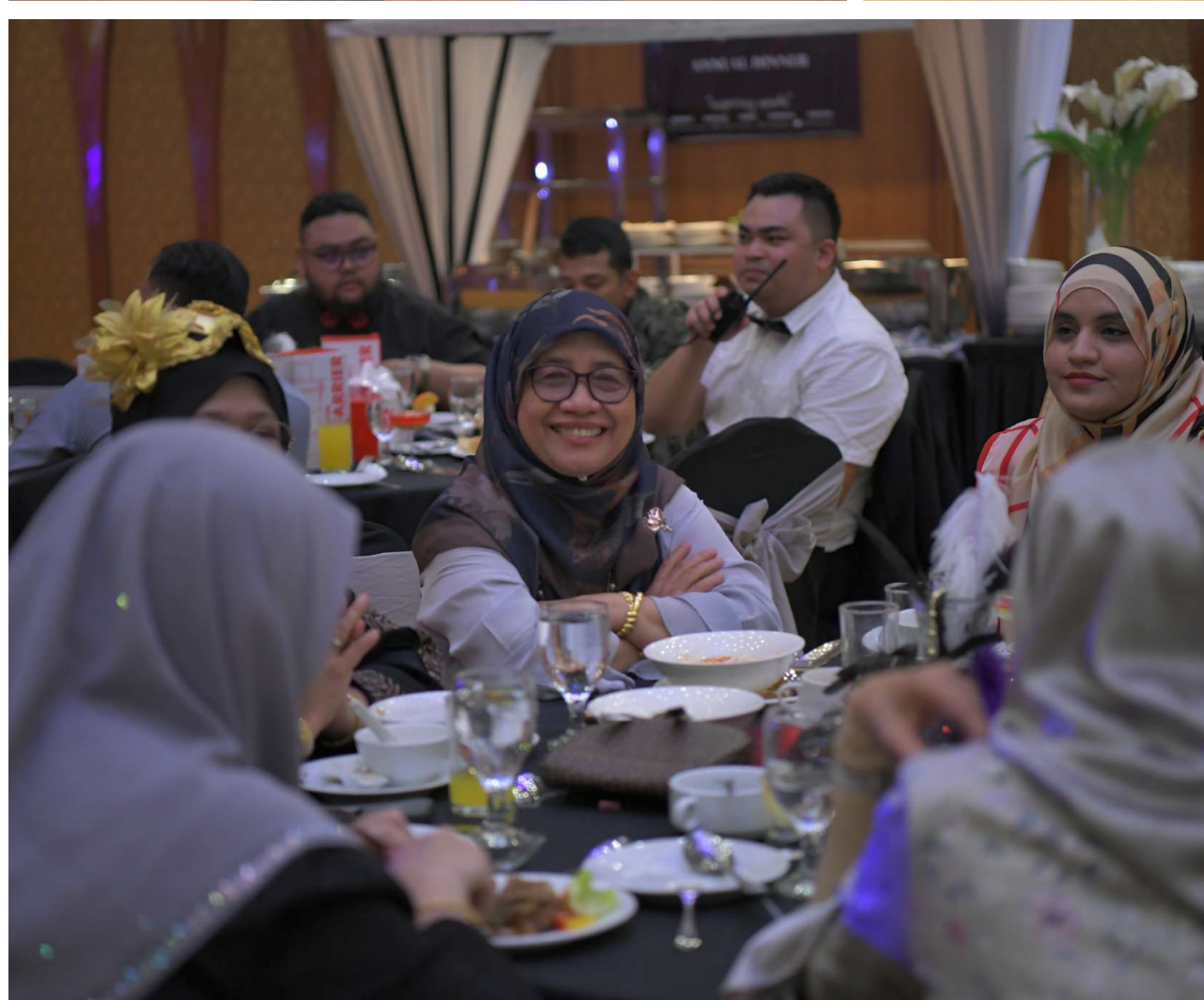


A Day without Plastic Campaign @ AIU: Join us as we take a meaningful step towards a more sustainable future.

We are thrilled to announce the launch of "A Day without Plastic" Campaign at Albukhary International University (AIU). Commencing on the first Wednesday of every month, starting from 6th March 2024, this initiative aims to reduce plastic usage within our community.

Through this campaign, we hope to collectively make a positive impact and contribute to a more sustainable future.





AIU ANNUAL DINNER 2023

04 March 2024

Albukhary International University (AIU) hosted its highly anticipated Annual Dinner 2023, uniting staff members from the university, AIU International School, and Albukhary Dialysis Centre for an evening of camaraderie and celebration. The gathering, convened at the Convocation Hall, stood as a momentous occasion for the institution, dedicated to recognising the accomplishments of its staff throughout the year 2023. The evening was not solely about food and entertainment but also about honouring educators who have demonstrated exceptional teaching practices and contributed to cultivating a dynamic, supportive, and intellectually stimulating learning environment for AIU students. Emeritus Professor Dato' Dr. Abd. Aziz commended the dedication and passion of the AIU community, noting that their collective efforts were instrumental in achieving the university's mission.



SMK Seri Pantai Convenes Meeting at AIU for 2024/2025 School Session

06 March 2024

Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Seri Pantai (SMK Seri Pantai), located in Kuala Kedah, held its Teachers' Meeting and In-Service Training at the Senate Meeting Room of Albukhary International University (AIU). The purpose of the meeting was to prepare for the upcoming 2024/2025 School Session, scheduled to commence on March 10th, 2024. The aim was to ensure the smooth operation of the school and to ensure that teachers were well-prepared before the commencement of the new school session.

Mr. Abdul Shakur Abdullah, AIU's Director of Corporate Communications and

Marketing, seized the opportunity to share with the audience the opportunities available for deserving students at AIU. He provided an overview of AIU's academic programmes, approaches, scholarship offerings, and admission processes. The meeting, convened on March 6th, 2024, saw a turnout of over 60 attendees, comprising teachers, counsellors, administrators, support staff, as well as members from the Parent-Teacher Association.



AIU Receives Courtesy Visit from Dayah Ar Raudhah Tahfiz Al-Quran Lhokseumawe Indonesia

06 March 2024

Dayah Ar Raudhah Tahfiz Al-Qur'an, a prominent Islamic boarding school in Lhokseumawe, Indonesia paid a courtesy visit to Albukhary International University (AIU), to explore opportunities for their students to pursue studies at AIU. The representatives, led by the Principal, Haji Hamdani Salami, received a warm welcome from Emeritus Professor Dato' Dr. Abd. Aziz Tajuddin, Vice Chancellor and

President of AIU. The delegates had the chance to acquire in-depth information about AIU and the opportunities it provides for deserving students to pursue their dreams. The school is also encouraged to share information with students and assist in screening candidates' backgrounds to ensure they meet the entry qualifications and demonstrate the 5As Core Values.



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VICE CHANCELLOR AND PRESIDENT MESSAGE ON RAMADAN 2024/1445H

Brothers and sisters,
Assalamuálaikum wa rahmatullahi wa barakatuh,

Ramadan Mubarak! As Vice Chancellor and President of AIU, I am honored to extend my heartfelt greetings to all members of our community who observe this blessed month of Ramadan 1445H. At the heart of our university philosophy lies the aspiration to make a positive impact on our community, our nation, and the world; and as the holy month of Ramadan approaches and with Allah's help and guidance, we will continue to achieve these goals throughout Ramadan and beyond.

Ramadan occupies a special place in the hearts of Muslims. It is a time when Muslims around the world contemplate the wisdom and guidance inherent in their faith. Ramadan is a month for Muslims to reflect on their responsibility to Allah and one another. This is the month of intense devotion when Muslims fast during the day and pray during the night. This is a time when families come together, neighbours or friends host iftars, meals are shared, and charitable deeds are persistently carried out as we remember those who are less fortunate and strive to alleviate their suffering.

Ramadan also serves as a reminder of the principles that we hold in common and the role of Islam in promoting equality, unity, and the dignity of all human beings. The spirit that Ramadan brings is not confined to Muslims alone but resonates throughout humanity. I therefore encourage everyone in our community, regardless of faith, to join in the spirit of Ramadan by embracing its principles of empathy, generosity, and solidarity.

As we enter this sacred month of spiritual rejuvenation, let us reflect on the 5As Core Values and the 8-Hour Rule that define us as a community. Indeed, these values and practices nurture purpose, gratitude, compassion, tolerance, humanity, and respect for one another within our community. We can always relate and take great pride in witnessing such values amid the unprecedented times of uncertainty around the world. In these challenging times, I believe, our sacrifices, faith, and sense of unity have endowed us with collective strength, safeguarding us and serving as a source of inspiration for others. Let us continue to strive to embody these values in our words and actions during Ramadan and throughout the year.

In closing, I wish all those observing Ramadan, a blessed and fulfilling month. May your fasting be a source of spiritual nourishment, guiding you toward righteousness and inner peace. May this month bring barakah, peace, and unity to our campus and beyond.

Ramadan Kareem, and may Allah bless you and your loved ones!

Warmest regards,

EMERITUS PROFESSOR DATO' DR. ABD. AZIZ BIN TAJUDDIN
Vice Chancellor and President



Final-Year SEHS Students Attend Leadership Enrichment Programme

11 March 2024

An educational and leadership development programme targeted towards final-year students at the School of Education and Human Sciences (SEHS), Albukhary International University (AIU) took place in Kem Singkir, Yan, Kedah. This programme garnered attention from participants across various educational fields. The event was aimed at providing participants with opportunities to strengthen their leadership and teaching skills.

Participants were actively involved in a range of outdoor activities. These activities included kayaking, abseiling, marching, trekking, and survival

activities. Participants were also encouraged to share their knowledge and experiences with fellow attendees, while receiving guidance to improve their skills and knowledge in education and leadership.



Bosnian Verzirov Ducan Explores Prospects with AIU in Virtual Meeting

13 March 2024

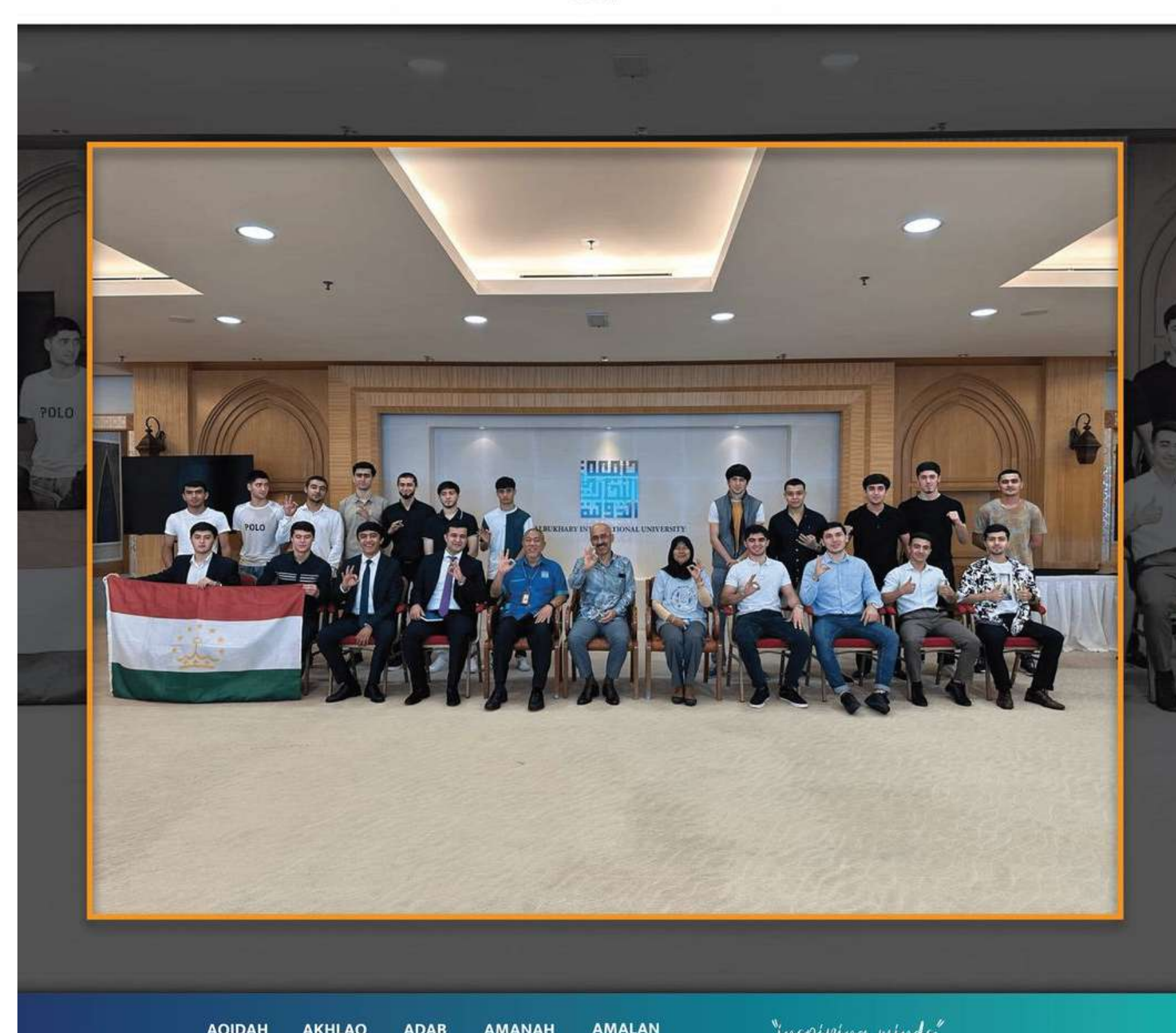
Founders of the Association for the Promotion of Culture, Tradition, and Art Verzirov Dućan Travnik (Vezirov Dućan) in Bosnia, Mr. Edin Mehmedović and Prof. Dženana Bajraktarević engaged in a virtual discussion with Albukhary International University (AIU). Their aim was

to discuss potential collaborations focused on facilitating deserving students from Bosnia and Herzegovina to pursue studies at AIU. Mr. Edin and his wife, Dženana Bajraktarević, who is a language professor at the Ibrahim Pasha Madrasa in Travnik, co-founded Vezirov Dućan to preserve Bosnian heritage and facilitate charitable initiatives.

AIU's Vice Chancellor Receives Courtesy Call from Ambassador of the Republic of Tajikistan to Malaysia

14 March 2024

The Vice Chancellor and President of Albukhary International University (AIU), Emeritus Professor Dato' Dr. Abd. Aziz Tajuddin received a courtesy call from H.E. Mr. Ardasher Saeedjaafar Qodiri, Ambassador of the Republic of Tajikistan to Malaysia during his visit to Kedah. At the outset, Emeritus Professor Dato' Dr. Abd. Aziz warmly welcomed the visit of H.E. Ardasher Qodiri and deeply thanked for the recent significant efforts by the Tajikistan Embassy in Malaysia in facilitating the applications of qualified students from Tajikistan to study at AIU. H.E. Ardasher



Qodiri conveyed his admiration for AIU's dedication to offering opportunities for deserving students from Tajikistan to further their studies. The visit concluded with a campus tour arranged by AIU students from Tajikistan.

SRC Members Elect New President

15 March 2024

The Leadership Camp for newly elected Student Representatives Council (SRC) members was successfully organised by the Student Affairs Department at Hibiscus Sedim in Kulim Kedah. One of the highlights of this Leadership Camp was the election procedure for key SRC positions. The process encompassed several stages: initial voting by all newly elected SRC members to nominate the top 5 candidates, evaluation of the top 5 candidates using a weighted score derived from both voting and individual rubrics, conducting interviews, and ultimately voting to nominate candidates for

the 4 top SRC positions. Brother Monir Mohammad Hamid Abdulrahman [AIU21102216] has been elected as the new President of SRC. He will be supported by two Vice Presidents: Brother Naufal Syauqi Abdul Halim [AIU22102129] as Vice President I and Brother Abdulmajid Aliya Muhammad [AIU22102349] as Vice President II. In addition, Sister Khin Myat Noe [AIU22102149] has been elected as the Secretary.

The primary objective of the Leadership Camp was to provide comprehensive training to newly elected SRC members, fostering the 5As Core Values and the development of their teamwork, critical thinking, and communication skills, alongside promoting a balanced and healthy lifestyle aligned with the principles of the 8-Hour Rule.

The modules covered a wide array of topics crucial for cultivating effective leadership. The core modules included sessions on "Working and Leading Together" delivered by Datuk Ts. Dr. Mohd Razali Muhamad, Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic); "Writing Effective Proposals" presented by Mr. Ahmad Muaz Azizan and Madam Nur Atikah Zainal Abidin; and "Getting and Keeping Motivated" led by Madam Fazlia Azhari. The talk also featured Emeritus Professor Dato' Dr. Abd Aziz Tajuddin, Vice Chancellor and President of AIU who addressed the participants on the "8-Hour Rule and 5As Core Values".



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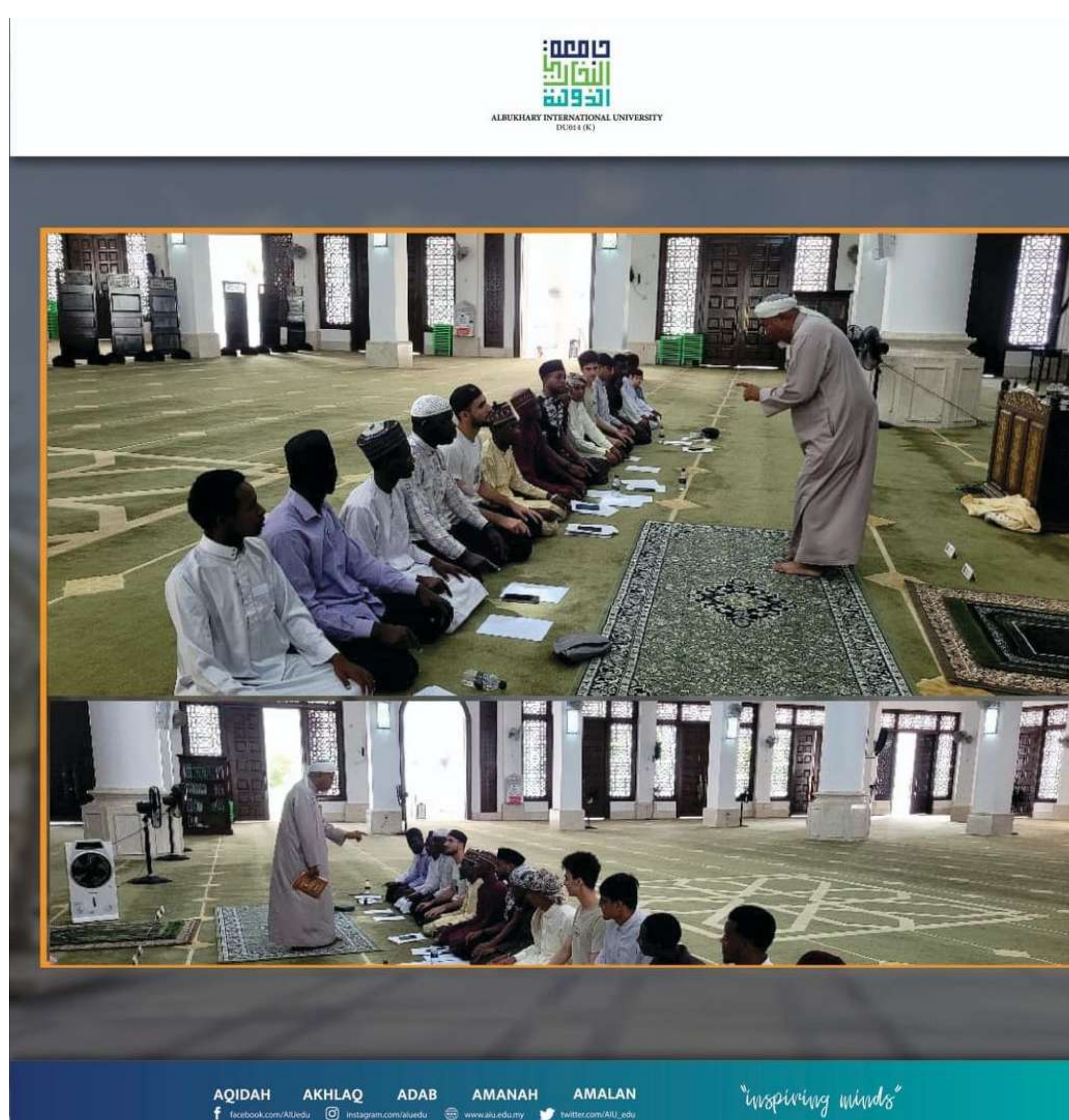
Albukhary Al-Qur'an and Islamic Club and Albukhary Mosque Organize Imam and Muazzin Workshop

15 March 2024

Albukhary Al-Qur'an and Islamic Club, in collaboration with Albukhary Mosque, recently organised the Imam and Muazzin Workshop at Albukhary Mosque's premises.

The aim of the workshop was to improve the skills and knowledge of 15 talented students from Albukhary International University (AIU), who come from various backgrounds and nationalities. Practical training sessions were also conducted to hone the participants' skills in adhan (call to prayer), salat al-jama'ah (congregational prayer), and other essential duties mosque leaders perform. Several participants

will be chosen to serve as Imams at Albukhary Mosque as needed. In addition, some will be selected to lead Taraweeh prayers at nearby musallas and mosques, and Tahajjud (night) prayers at AIU.



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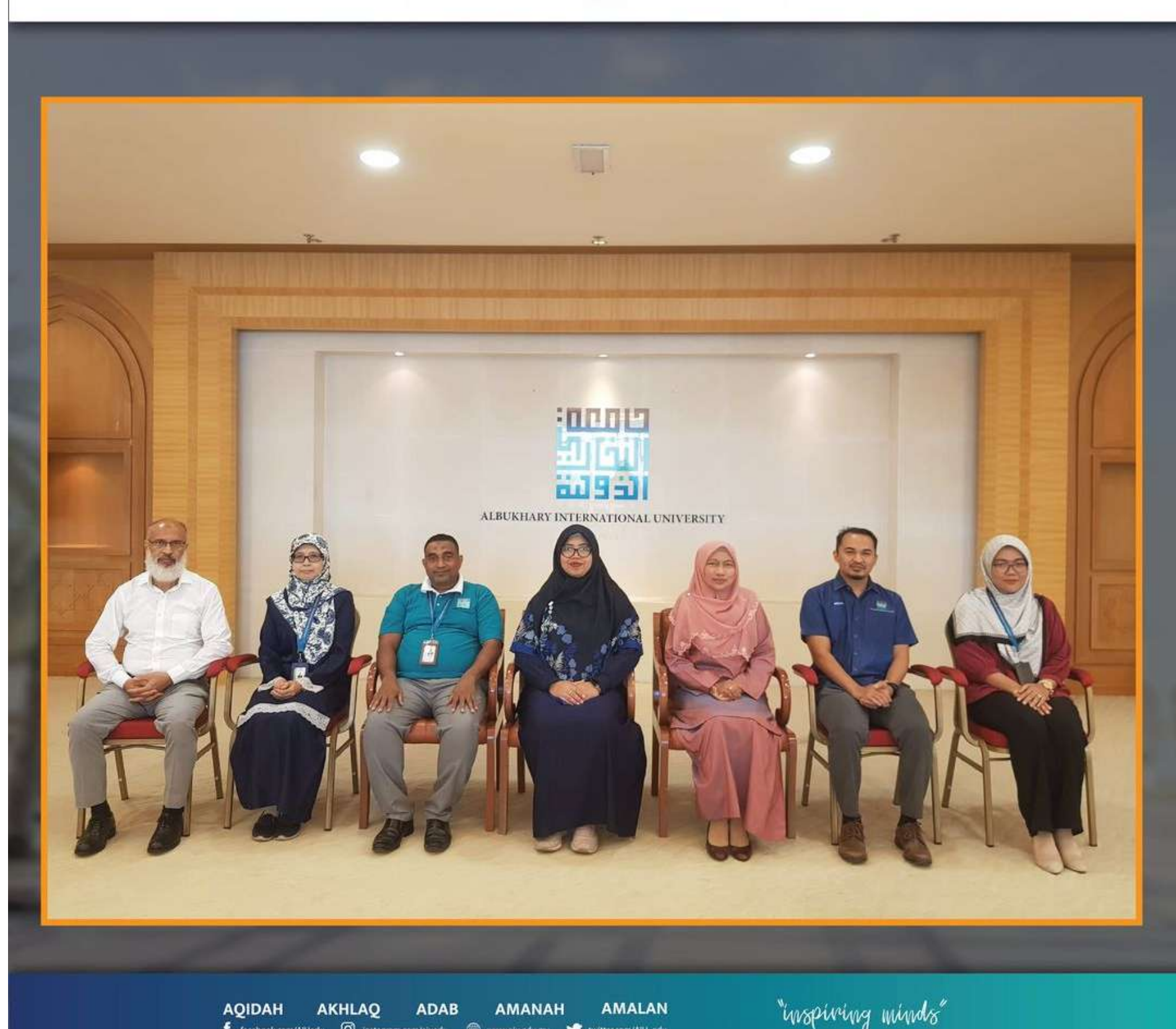
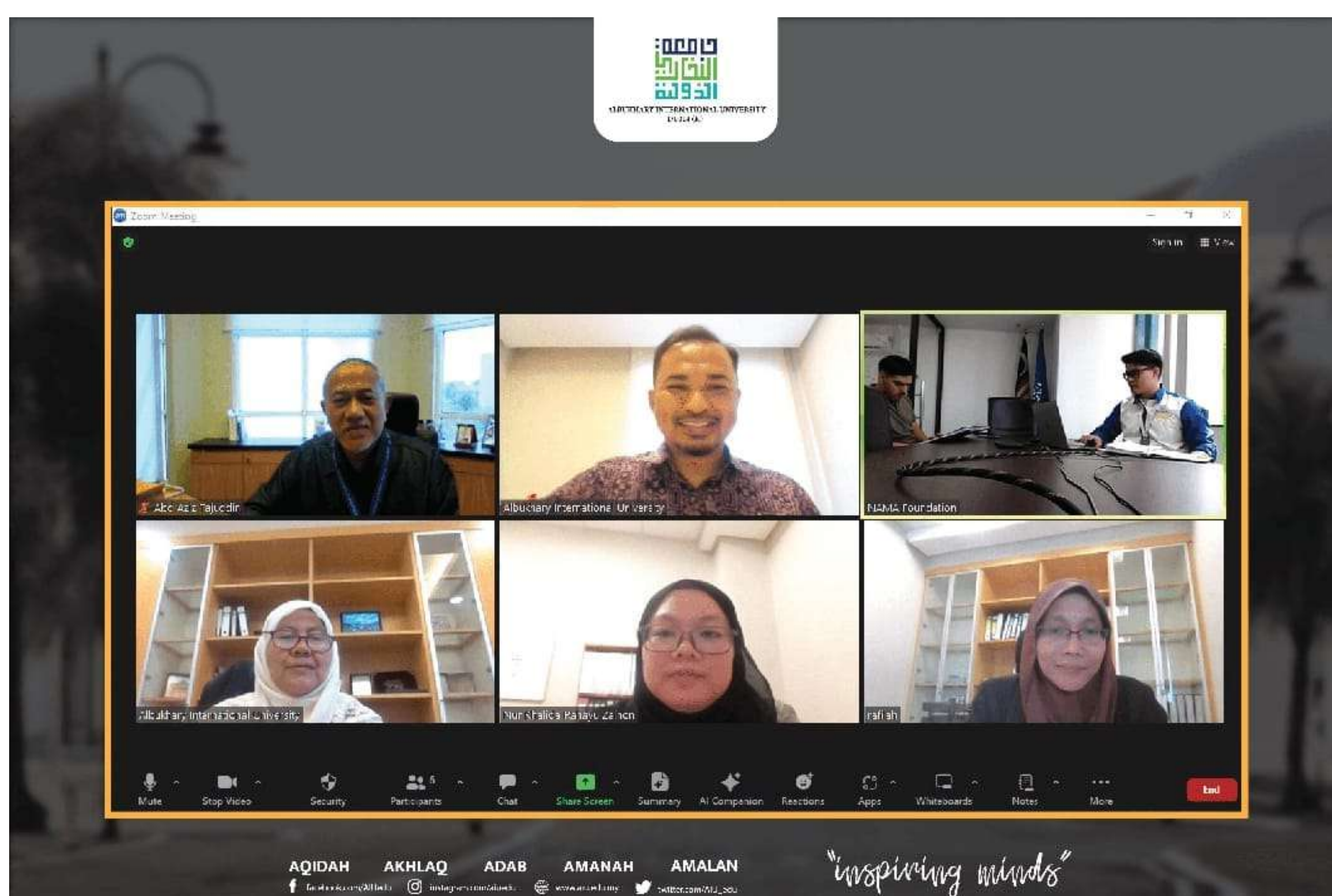
AIU and NAMA Foundation Reaffirm Commitment to Renew MoU

19 March 2024

Albukhary International University (AIU) and NAMA Foundation (NAMA) convened a significant virtual meeting to discuss the renewal of their Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).

Mr. Sayyed Zayd Almahdaly, the Partnership Executive, representing the Chief Executive Officer of the NAMA Foundation, conveyed gratitude for the partnership and the positive outcomes it has produced for its sponsored alumni. He also communicated NAMA's intention to renew the MoU and maintain the terms for the renewed partnership.

Speaking on behalf of AIU, Vice Chancellor and President, Emeritus Professor Dato' Dr. Abd. Aziz Tajuddin extended appreciation for the continued support and collaboration of the NAMA Foundation. He emphasised the need to bring in more qualified students from NAMA's focal countries, especially from Kyrgyzstan, where the current enrolment numbers remain comparatively low. He further invited NAMA to consider funding Master's and PhD programmes, Bachelor of Data Science (Honours) programme, and a new initiative for mobility programme named the Social Business Summer Camp Programme.



Universitas Muhammadiyah Malaysia Delegation Pays Visit to AIU

25 March 2024

Representatives from Universitas Muhammadiyah Malaysia (UMAM) visited Albukhary International University (AIU), aiming to connect with the management team of the School of Computing and Informatics (SCI). The main objective of the visit was to explore potential partnership opportunities with AIU. During the visit, the delegation from Universitas Muhammadiyah engaged in productive discussions with SCI members, exchanging ideas on collaborative research projects, joint supervision, as well as

the prospect of organising joint academic conferences or seminars. The delegates were also brought on a tour of AIU's campus facilities, providing them with a firsthand glimpse into the university's infrastructure and conducive learning environment.

AIU Outreach Campaign to Schools in Kedah [1]: Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Mergong and Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Tunku Abdul Malik

25 March 2024

A visit was conducted to Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Mergong (SMK Mergong) and Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Tunku Abdul Malik (SMK Tunku Abdul Malik) with the primary objective of sharing valuable information about the diverse educational and scholarship opportunities offered by AIU. The visit also aimed at establishing mutual partnerships with these schools, encouraging their students to consider AIU as they pursue their academic aspirations.



AIU Outreach Campaign to Schools in **KEDAH [2]:** Maktab Mahmud Pokok Sena and Maktab Mahmud Alor Setar

27 March 2024

A visit was made to Maktab Mahmud Pokok Sena and Maktab Mahmud Alor Setar with the main purpose of disseminating information about academic programmes and scholarships offered by AIU.

The visit is also part of the initiative to connect with school counsellors and administrators, encouraging them to promote AIU enrolment to their qualified students.



AIU Collaborates with **Kedah State Education Department** to Organise Open Day and Education Roadshow at Eight Districts in Kedah

28 March 2024



The Kedah State Education Department visited Albukhary International University (AIU) to engage in discussions about collaborative programmes, with a specific focus on student development in secondary schools. Led by AIU's Vice-Chancellor and President, Emeritus Professor Dato' Dr. Abd. Aziz Tajuddin, the discussion centered on AIU's proposal to host an open day and educational roadshow at eight District Education Departments (PPDs) in Kedah, namely PPD Kuala Muda Yan, PPD Baling, PPD Padang Terap, PPD Kulim Bandar Baru, PPD Langkawi, PPD Kubang Pasu, PPD Sik, and PPD Pendang.

The event aims to draw 800 students from eight districts, providing them with insights into AIU's offerings. It will feature an open day where students can apply and undergo interviews on the spot.

"We anticipate that through this joint event, we will connect with a broader pool of eligible students, encouraging them to apply for enrollment at AIU. Our goal is to ensure that Malaysian students occupy the available scholarship seats for the October 2024 intake," remarked Emeritus Professor Dato' Dr. Abd. Aziz.

High Commissioner of the **Republic of Uganda to Malaysia** Pays Courtesy Visit to **AIU's Vice Chancellor**

28 March 2024

Albukhary International University (AIU) was honoured to host H.E. Betty Oyella Bigombe, the High Commissioner of the Republic of Uganda to Malaysia, for a courtesy visit during her tour in Kedah.

During the visit, H.E. Betty Bigombe engaged in discussions focusing on the prospects of bringing more qualified Ugandan students to study at AIU. She highlighted the importance of education as a fundamental catalyst for socio-economic development, particularly within Uganda. She also commended AIU for providing scholarships to deserving Ugandan students, enabling them to pursue their aspirations.

The courtesy visit concluded with a tour of AIU's state-of-the-art campus facilities, allowing H.E. Bigombe to gain insight into the university's atmosphere and holistic approach to education.



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