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IPDM, UUM, CONTINUES ITS UNDAUNTED FOCUS OF 14 YEARS ON LEADERSHIP AND POLICY



UUM ONLINE: Nearing the 14th anniversary of its establishment, the Institute of Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad's Thoughts (IPDM), Universiti Utara Malaysia (UUM), has been encouraged to continue its undaunted focus on leadership and policy.

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof Dato' Seri Dr Mohamed Mustafa Ishak, said that ever since its inception, the IPDM had braved a challenging phase wrought with difficulties associated with the brand it carried.

"However, the IPDM, having attained maturity, is now eminently capable of achieving a great many things which have been proposed since it was first established, by focusing on leadership and policy, apart from training and development as well as strengthening the existing programmes and research projects under its auspices.

"We have the support of the members of the IPDM Council, who are highly credible and can be confidently entrusted with the task of steering the institute in the right direction in terms of implementing its planned agenda and providing guidance as well as advice on matters of priority," he said after presenting letters of appointment to the members of the IPDM Council at the EDC Hotels & Resorts, recently.

Apart from this, according to the Vice-Chancellor, the IPDM should also increase the number of studies concerning neighbouring countries such as Indonesia, Singapore, or Thailand. In fact, he said, the institute could offer research grants to postgraduate students as a means of encouraging them to undertake studies in the area of leadership and policy.

The Vice-Chancellor expressed his hope that the IPDM would be able to gain a sharper focus on its purpose in order to continue to move forward and that the newly appointed members of the IPDM council would play a pivotal role in providing precious guidance and management advice to IPDM on prioritising as regards its agenda.

A total of 12 new members have been appointed to the IPDM council for a period of two years (2017 to 2018) by the Vice-Chancellor, who is also the chairman of the council. Among those appointed are Tan Sri Dato' Seri Utama Ismail Omar, Independent Non-Executive Chairman of the New Straits Times Press (Malaysia) Bhd; Dato' Dr Chamil Wariya, Chief Executive Officer of the Malaysian Press Institute (MPI); Prof Dato' Dr Mohd Noor Ahmad Murad Merican, Lecturer at the Centre for Policy Research and International Studies, USM; Prof Dr Abdul Zed, Pembina Utama, Fakultas Hukum, Universitas Indonesia; Prof Dr Hasan Ali, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic and International Affairs), UUM; Prof Dr Noor Azizi Ismail, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research & Innovation), UUM; Assoc. Prof Dr Abdul Malek Abdul Karim, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Affairs and Alumni), UUM; Prof Dr Sivamurugan Pandian, Lecturer at the School of Social Sciences, USM; Prof Dr Mohd Kamarunizam Abdullah, Dean of the Ghazali Shafie Graduate School of Government (GSGSG), UUM; Prof Dr Haim Hilman Abdullah, Dean of the School of Business Management (SBM), UUM; and Dr Hj. Ahmad Zaharuddin Sani Ahmad Sabri, Director of the IPDM, UUM.

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