## GLORY for ITEX Debuts

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All five research projects from PPKAS which participated in the 18th Malaysia International Invention, Innovation and Technology Exhibition (ITEX'07) have won medals in PPKAS debut in the competition. The 100% achievement in such competition has brought fame to PPKAS in line with the effort to boost research activities at PPKAS.

In the competition, research project entitled 'Palm Composite: Composite Product from Palm Ash Waste' led by Mr. Ragunathan Santiagoo has won gold award. Three silver awards go to Mr. Saiful Azhar Saad through 'SphogSORB: Biodegradable Oil and Grease Adsorbent'; Mrs. Naimah Ibrahim, 'Acid-Impregnated Palm Fibre for Chemisorption of Cr (VI) from Chrome Plating Effluent' and Mrs. Norazian Mohamed Noor, 'Smart-E (Smart Estimator)'. 'Supasorb Adsorbent for Treatment of Dye Polluted Wastewater' research project carried out also by Mr. Saiful Azhar has won bronze award. In total, UniMAP wins big at ITEX'07 with 6 gold, 11 silver, and 9 bronze medals.

Besides having the opportunities to interact with industries and researchers from all around the globe, PPKAS research projects also attract the attention from the Vice Chancellor of UniMAP, Kol. Prof. Dato' Dr. Kamarudin Hussin and the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research and



Innovation), Assoc. Prof. Dr. Zul Azhar Zahid Jamal who had spent some times visiting PPKAS exhibition booths.

ITEX'07 was organized by Malaysian Invention and Design Society and held at Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre from 18th until 20th May 2007 involving more than 400 new technologies from research outcomes and inventions from universities, research institutes, individual and corporate sectors.

