



UniMAP strengthen relationship with European University

Pauh Putra, 3 Mei- Universiti Malaysia Perlis (UniMAP) is always exploring new opportunities for collaboration in research and teaching with various academic institutions at the international level.

Recently, a memorandum of understanding (MoU) has been signed between the University of Chemical Technology and Metallurgy (UCTM), Bulgaria with Center of Excellence for Geopolymer and Green Technology (CEGeoGTech) UniMAP to explore collaboration and partnership with the countries of the European Union (EU).

The Manager of CEGeoGTech UniMAP, Assoc Prof. Dr. Mohd. Mustafa al-Bakri Abdullah said, CEGeoGTech and UCTM previously had a bilateral relationship that focuses on hosting academic seminars and publications, looking to improve the citations of the two universities.

"In addition, we also received two undergraduate students who come to UniMAP to join industrial training in geopolymer."

"I am confident that, with this newly formed cooperation, it will open up more opportunities for research and collaboration between the two institutions in the future," he said.

He was speaking at the signing of the MoU between UniMAP and UCTM and Letter of Intent (LOI) with Universitas Negeri Makassar (UNM).

At the ceremony, UniMAP was represented by its Vice-Chancellor, Dato 'Prof. Dr. Zul Azhar Zahid Jamal, and UCTM was represented by the Dean of the Faculty of Chemical Technology, Prof. Dr. Andriana Surlev while UNM was represented by the Dean of the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences, Drs. Subaer M. Phil. Also present were Director of the Center for

International Affairs UniMAP, Dr. Noorhafiza Muhammad.

Dr. Mohd. Mustafa added that, CEGeoGTech also planned in obtaining mobility grants from the EU and other international countries in order to highlight the visibility of the university in the international arena, especially in the field of scientific publishing and research, as well as in attachment programs for students or staff.

"There is plenty of opportunities offered by academic institutions in Europe in terms of mobility grants and CEGeoGTech will take proactive steps to identify a strategic partner that can assist in driving us forward for more success in the future. "

"As the for now, CEGeoGTech is leading in Scopus publication in the field of Geopolymer, and I believe that this will allow us to explore more opportunities for collaboration with other educational institutions in Europe," he added.