



# British Invention Show (BIS 2009)

**The British Invention Show (BIS) 2009** which was held from 14 - 17 October 2009 at Alexandra Palace, London received participation from 15 different countries. About 200 research products were showcased and entered for competition. BIS is organised by the British Inventors Society and supported by entities close to the British government such as the UK Patent Office, Business Link and Welsh Assembly Government. In its third participation at this year's exhibition, UniMAP had sent in two research products for the competition: 'ShoeNIX - An Optimized OS' by Associate Professor R Badlishah Ahmad and Shuhaizar Daud from the School of Computer and Communications Engineering and 'Silica NanoTube' by Dr Fazlul Bari from the School of Materials Engineering.

As usual, UniMAP had set its target for achievement by researchers who competed in local or international research and innovation competition. At this year's show, UniMAP targeted at best two silver medals from the products entered for competition. However, with their high quality products and convincing presentation to the jury, UniMAP's researchers surpassed all expectations and won two gold medals. In fact, the product 'ShoeNIX - An Optimized OS' by Associate Professor R Badlishah Ahmad and Shuhaizar Daud won two special awards, 'Double Gold' in the 'Industry' and 'Design' category.