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BEST CHEF  
AND BEST  
DISH AWARDS**

**CELEBRATING  
50 YEARS TVET**

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# Best Chef

## AZIZ MOKHSEN



Congratulations to our IBTE Instructor Chef Aziz Mokhsen for being awarded the title of the Best Chef Award for the Brunei Gastronomy Week 2022

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# CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF TECHNICAL VOCATIONAL EDUCATION TRAINING IN BRUNEI

WITHIN THE PERIOD OF 50 YEARS OF BRUNEI TECHNICAL EDUCATION, several milestones have been reached including the establishment of Brunei Darussalam Technical and Vocational Education Council (BDTVEC) in 1991.

Among the important roles being carried out by this council was to provide certification and accreditation of local technical and vocational qualifications by replacing previously issued certifications such as the City & Guilds and Business and Technical Education Council (BTEC)," Director of Technical Education Dr Haji Mohd Zamri bin Haji Sabli said during Institute of Brunei Technical Education's (IBTE) 50th Golden Jubilee of Brunei Technical Education celebration at the An-Naura Hall of the Yayasan Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Complex in March 2022, a delayed celebration due to the COVID pandemic that had hit the nation the previous year. The Deputy Minister of Development Dato Seri Paduka Ar Haji Marzuke bin Haji Mohsin was the guest of honour.

The Brunei Technical Education has been in operation since its first intake in September 1971 with the establishment of two technical institutions – Building Trade School in Jalan Muara (later known as Sultan Saiful Rijal Technical College) and the Engineering Trade School (later known as Jefri Bolkiah College of Engineering).

Another significant milestone was the setting up of the Department of Technical Education (DTE) in 1993. This was an effort to increase capacity and capability in accommodating more students taking various types of programmes as well as technical and vocational training, a number of



Daud bin Haji Mahmud said that Technical and vocational education have completed the national education system. This is important to ensure no student will be left out in national education.

He expressed hopes that the Ministry of Education (MoE) will provide multiple pathways, flexible and competitive schemes for technical instructors. "This could ensure the quality and skills of these instructors and leaders in the technical and vocational education at its highest level," Dato Paduka Haji Mohd Daud said, adding that, "I hope that the MoE will invest in further developing building infrastructure for technical and vocational education which is more encouraging and state-of-the-art, in line with its training development progress".

institutions were set up, including Mechanical Training Centre in 1986, Nakhoda Ragam Vocational School in 1992, Sultan Bolkiah Vocational School in 1996, Business School in (2005) and Wasan Vocational School in 2006.

Various efforts were carried out and planned to improve the quality of technical education in the country to create a more developed and organised learning system, based on industrial needs while producing highly competent students.



Thirdly, he hoped that the ministry will enhance cooperation and relations between employees and industry in implementing training programmes relevant with the current development of industry and technology, so technical education can produce graduates that are more knowledgeable, skilful and having earning positive attitudes in entrepreneurship and employment.



During the Israk Mikraj celebration in 2014, His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam consented for the establishment of IBTE in 2014 taking over the function of the DTE and institutions under it.

"The establishment of IBTE as a technical education is a statutory body of institution post-secondary and as continuity in seeing the progress and development of a nation in the field of various technical knowledge and vocational skills," Dr Haji Mohd Zamri said.

"During the 50 years of its establishment, IBTE has made achievements locally and internationally, such as the technical education system led by IBTE, recognised as access provider for quality TVET programmes and served as medium to produce holistic, balanced and entrepreneurship characteristics students in par with the needs of workforce in the Sultanate."

Former Deputy Permanent Secretary of Higher Education and former Director of Technical Education Dato Paduka Haji Mohd



Meanwhile, the ceremony featured the launch of IBTE's new website by the guest of honour and a presentation of tokens of appreciation to 10 former directors of Brunei Technical Education.

The event concluded with the guest of honour touring the exhibition that showcased Brunei Technical Education's history and achievements, which was later upgraded to IBTE.

# 1971-2021

# BRUNEI GASTRONOMY week

16<sup>th</sup> Feb – 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar 2022



**BRUNEI GASTRONOMY week**  
16<sup>th</sup> Feb – 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar 2022

*Pandan Leaves*  
LOCAL FLAVORS, TANTALIZING TASTE  
16<sup>TH</sup> FEB TO 3<sup>RD</sup> MAR 2022

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## IBTE BAGS BGW BEST CHEF & BEST MAIN COURSE AWARD

THIS YEAR'S BRUNEI GASTRONOMY FESTIVAL concluded with the winners for each category announced in April. The Best Chef crown went to Aziz Mokhsen, Instructor from the Institute of Brunei Technical Education (IBTE) for his creativity and comprehensive execution to produce 'Fundamentals of Pandan' which also won The Best Main Course.

## BRUNEI GASTRONOMY AWARD

EVERY YEAR, cooking competitions were held to shine the spotlight on deserving cooks in the country and to recognise their culinary abilities. Awards were given in two categories: food and chef. Contestants were required to create dishes based on a main ingredient and this year they worked with the ubiquitous and strikingly fragrant pandan leaf as the star.

Under the food awards, there were 3 categories: starter, main course and desserts. Participating hotels and restaurants were required to submit a dish in each category with Pandan leaf as one of the ingredients. It was at these competitions we saw original dishes from participating F&B establishments created specially for the event and promoted throughout BGW. They were judged on taste, presentation and creativity. The coveted chef award was given to one chef who impressed the judges with his or her skills, knowledge, and creativity.

The contests began on 1 December 2021. From 16 February, contestants' creations were evaluated at scheduled tasting sessions until 3rd March. Working with the theme, 12 participated in this year's festival, each served their Pandan leaf-inspired starters, main courses and desserts for two weeks to the public at their own establishment while a panel of judges were tasked to taste the creations and find this year's stand-out dishes and chef. This year's judges were:

- Matthew Beswick, Hospitality Lecturer and Culinary Assessor at The Culinary School at Laksamana College of Business.
- Haji Nasir bin Dato Paduka Latif, the CEO of the Brunei Food Awards.
- Wan Zainal Abidin, the publisher of Borneo Insider's Guide (BIG magazine) and the Design Director of WaMa Designs.







Winning teams with their mentors

# BIMP EAGA ENTREPRENEURSHIP COMPETITION

28 APRIL 2022

A PRIZE PRESENTATION was held for the winners of the BIMP EAGA Entrepreneur Competition at The Lecture Theater of School of Aviation, IBTE Sultan Saiful Rijal Campus. The competition was held at The School of Energy and Engineering, IBTE Mechanical Campus on the 21st April 2022.

The winners of the competition received cash prizes from the guest of honour for the event, Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Awang Haji Hamzah bin Haji Sulaiman, Minister of Education. The winning team received \$2000, second place received \$1500, third place received \$1000, and consolation place received \$200.

43 teams submitted their proposal for the competition and 9 team were shortlisted to participate in the competition. Each team were mentored by various entrepreneurs to prepare them for the five minutes live pitch to a panel of judges that comprised of Awang Adna Shatriemie bin Hj A. Abd Rahman, Head of Entrepreneurship Innovation Centre, Ministry of Education; Hj Abdul Yusrin bin Dato Seri Laila Jasa Hj Mohd Salleh, Programme Director, Shell LiveWIRE Sdn Bhd; Jason Tse Tow, Financial Specialist, Darussalam Enterprise (DARE); member of the Brunei Darussalam BIMP-EAGA Business Council 2021-2024; and Awang Haji Syed Mohammad Yassin Haji Syed Anayatullah Shah, Young Entrepreneurs Association Brunei (YEAB).

The BIMP-EAGA Entrepreneurship Competition 2022 was developed as a continuation of BIMP-EAGA Entrepreneurship Camp that was held on the 6th to 8th of December 2021. The goal of the Competition was to cultivate local economic development by inspiring and supporting local entrepreneurs. By stimulating entrepreneurial activity and to encourage small businesses to create strong business pitches, this was to encourage the creation of new companies and the expansion of existing businesses in Brunei Darussalam.



1st place winners, Gamification.  
BELOW the winning team doing their business pitch





## WHAT IS BIMP-EAGA?

Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia and the Philippines created the East ASEAN Growth Area to shift economic activities from resource extraction to higher levels of processing and value-added production, focusing on industries that adopt clean and green technologies.

Launched In 1994, the BIMP-EAGA initiative boosts growth in trade, investments, and tourism through new intra-region shipping routes and air links as well as power interconnection projects. Other key areas of cooperation include agribusiness, tourism, the environment, and socio-cultural education.



*The IBTE Team made it to the shortlist, one out of nine teams out of 43 teams that joined the competition.*

*Group photo of all nine teams that made it to the semi finals with the guest of honour.*





Group photo with the GOH and representative of companies involved with Market Day 2022



The guest of honour of the event was Yang Mulia, Datin Seri Paduka Dr Hajah Romaizah binti Haji Mohd Salleh, Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Education who officiated the event.

IBTE HELD A MARKET DAY 2022 at Wafa Hotel & Apartment, Jalan Gadong on the 17 May 2022. The Market Day were specifically for the IBTE Graduates of 2019 to 2021 with the objective to provide a platform for graduates to seek and apply for job opportunities relevant to their qualification and to ease the process in which companies can obtain relevant man power for their workforce from the event. The market day also helped to strengthen the relationship between industries and IBTE.

The event was organized by the IBTE Career Guidance Unit, under the Student Affairs Division and interested graduates were required to pre-register for the event and prepared their curriculum vitae (CV) to be ready to submit to the companies they were interested in and prepared to be called for interview on the same day .

A total of 26 companies offered over 400 job opportunities were present during the Market Day. We like to thank the companies that participated and we look forward to working with our industry partners again.



# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING: IBTE AND SEAMASTER

A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) was signed between Institute of Brunei Technical Education (IBTE) and Sealestial Marine Seafarer Training Centre Sdn Bhd (SEAMASTER), Malaysia on the 12th of April 2022.

Signing on behalf of IBTE was Dr Zamri Sabli, IBTE CEO witnessed by Cikgu Zaitunah Kurus, Head of School of Agrotechnology and Applied Science, and on behalf of SEAMASTER was Captain Kenneth Khoo, SEAMASTER's General Manager, witnessed by Madame Anita Danker, Chief Financial Officer of SEAMASTER.

The MOU was to establish a basis of cooperation and collaboration as well as working relationship in the fields of research, education and training in the fields of maritime, ports, shipping and marine logistics of mutual interest between the IBTE and SEAMASTER.



SEAMASTER training picture

and training for seafarers, shore based personnel, ports and Government agencies. It is also the founding member of the Aviation, Maritime and Oil & Gas EduHub @ Aeropod KK (A.M.O.G), currently the only EduHub in the region for all 3 industries co-located within a centralized location.

SEAMASTER offers an extensive range of physical, simulation, online, virtual reality, cloud simulation training for the maritime and marine logistics skill training. As well as having the largest portfolio of customized training modules. They are able to service the BIMP-EAGA regions for maritime, ports and shipping sector.

SEAMASTER have a team of expertise that comprised of Master Mariners, Marine Engineers, Marine Pilots, Marine Consultants and ex-Navy personnel who have a vast experience and training onboard various ocean going ships, serving oil majors, maritime training centres, classification societies and other institutes of higher learning.



SEAMASTER training picture



Signing of the MOU witnessed by IBTE Management Team and SEAMASTER representatives

SEAMASTER locally incorporated the idea of venturing into and servicing the ever growing and endless opportunity of the marine, ports and shipping industry in the island of Borneo and the surrounding areas of BIMP-EAGA. Their business activities cover a wide spectrum of marine related services, including but not limited to project management, management systems (ISM, ISPS, MLC, ISO 9001, HSE MS), Internal Audits, surveys, inspections

# DISSEMINATION SESSION:

## Dasar Belia Negara dan Strategik 2020-2035

YOUTH in this country are giving positive feedback in improving the initiatives provided by the Government for the progress of the youth. They also aspire to seize existing opportunities including education, employment, training and identity building programmes. Yang Berhormat Dayang Khairunnisa binti Awang Haji Ash'ari, a Member of the Legislative Council in an interview with RTB during the 4th National Youth Policy and Strategy, DBNS, 2020 – 2035 Dissemination Programme explained that from the 3 dissemination sessions, youth has expressed their hope to participate in various programmes that have been provided in enhancing the development of youth in the country. The fourth session took place yesterday afternoon at IBTE School of Aviation in Berakas.

Yang Berhormat Dayang Khairunnisa shared that among the pattern found was lack of awareness among youth on programmes and volunteer bodies available in the country. The youth has expressed their desires to participate in Youth Identity Development programme, Capacity enhancement programme and many more. However, they are not aware that such programmes are provided by the government departments and non-governmental bodies. The



youth has also expressed how they can contribute to the nation such as through creative industry.

86 students from IBTE Sultan Saiful Rijal Campus, IBTE Mechanical Campus, IBTE Business Campus, IBTE Agro-Technology Campus and IBTE Nakhoda Ragam Campus attended the session. It aimed to introduce DBNS 2020-2035, youth programmes and initiatives as well as to obtain input and youth views for the betterment of the country. Yang Berhormat Dayang Khairunnisa as the Chairperson of the DBNS Youth Advisory Group and President of Brunei Youth Council also touched on Youth Snapshot that

contained youth programmes and skill training inline with Wawasan Brunei Dua Ribu Tiga Puluh Lima.

DBNS 2020-2035 Dissemination Session organised by Youth Advisory Group in collaboration with Brunei Youth Council, was participated by strategic partners from the Government Sector including Autoriti Monetari Brunei Darussalam, AMBD; Darussalam Enterprise, DARE; Sekretariat Tetap Wawasan Brunei Dua Ribu Tiga Puluh Lima; Youth Development Centre; Department of Community Development, JAPEM and Brunei Climate Change Secretariat.



# IBTE NEWS BITES



APRIL 2022, An IBTElink programme for IBTE Diploma in Refinery Operator was launched under the Continuing Education and Training Division. This programme is an opportunity for those who are interested in doing the IBTE Diploma but who do not have the necessary subjects or grades required to apply for the programme. The programme last for three months and those who are successful then get to continue onto the full IBTE Diploma programme.



MARCH 2022, Distribution of 'Kurma Kurnia Peribadi Kebawah Duli Yang Maha Mulia Paduka Seri Baginda Sultan dan Di-Pertuan Negara Brunei Darussalam' were distributed to divisions representatives in IBTE HQ and all IBTE campuses.



JUNE 2022, IBTE was invited to participate in the Career Path Fair for the Energy Sector for ENERGY Week during the Brunei Mid-Year Conference and Exhibition, MYCE 2022 held at ICC. It was an opportunity for local students who wish to further their studies to higher levels by taking relevant programmes provided by local Educational Institutions to increase their qualifications and competency for future employment in the Energy Sector.



JANUARY 2022, IBTE held a Tree Planting Campaign in conjunction with the Green Protocol and Day of Action. The event was jointly officiated by the Guest of Honour Dr Hj Mohd Zamri bin Hj Sabli, Chief Executive Office of Institute of Brunei Technical Education (IBTE) and invited guest Hjh Rohayati Hj Damit, Assistant Manager in Business Relations for Mitsubishi Corporation Brunei Liaison Office, who contributed the saplings to IBTE as part of the Environmental Education Tour Project. Other guests were the Senior Management Team of IBTE Sultan Bolkihah Campus and respective Programme Leaders.

The Tree Planting Campaign served as a support to the Green Protocol Guidelines, which was one of the initiatives towards reduction of carbon footprint in government premises. A total of 22 saplings were planted around the buildings in IBTE Sultan Bolkihah Campus.



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