

**Talk on Career Advancement in Project Management Profession via Post Graduate Programme**

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It was an enthusiastic group of 14 IEM members and non-members who attended the talk on “Career Advancement in Project Management Profession via Post Graduate Programme” on 6 January 2018 organised by PMTD. Held at Auditorium Tan Sri Prof. Chin Fung Kee, 3rd Floor, Wisma IEM, Petaling Jaya, the talk proved to be enriching for those who wished to further their engineering career through higher tertiary experience at the same time without the risk of losing their jobs, seniority and even promotion, or having to take a long period of study leave to do so.

The speaker was from Universiti Teknologi Malaysia Kuala Lumpur – Assoc. Prof. Dr. Abd. Rahman Abdul Rahim, Director of UTM International, Universiti Teknologi Malaysia Kuala Lumpur. He gave IEM members and non-members an insight into the various postgraduate programmes offered at UTM and the Master by Coursework, Master by Research, PhD and Industrial PhD to Engineering Doctorate. Following the hour-long talk, a lively discussion ensued, chaired by Assoc. Prof. Ir. Dr. Syuhaida Ismail, Secretary/Treasurer of PMTD. The audience wanted to know more about the exposure they might experience while enrolled in postgraduate programmes.

Since UTM has strong links with more than 100 industries and organisations, both locally and internationally, the industry-link and industry-driven postgraduate programmes offered and tailor- made for the industry will, undeniably, give working executives funding opportunities available. Classes are run on a modular basis, mainly on weekends.

As industrial practitioners, particularly engineers, can pursue their postgraduate studies via the National Higher Education Strategic Plan, the speaker urged participants to grab this golden opportunity to improve their academic qualifications as part of their career advancement. The lively conversation and anecdotes continued after token of appreciation was presented to the speaker.



Photo session with the speaker and participants of “Talk on Career Advancement in Project Management Profession via Post Graduate Programme”



Presentation of certificate and token of appreciation to the speaker, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Abd. Rahman Abdul Rahim.