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Department of International Affairs (DIA) ACTIVITIES IN JANUARY 2021

1. DIA meeting with Assistant Vice Chancellor (Internationalization) (January 4)

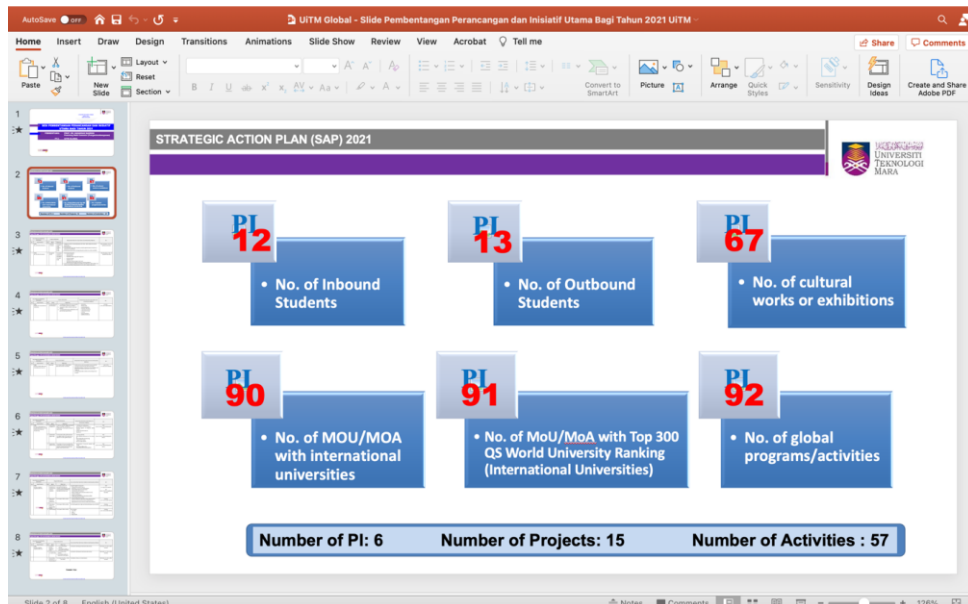
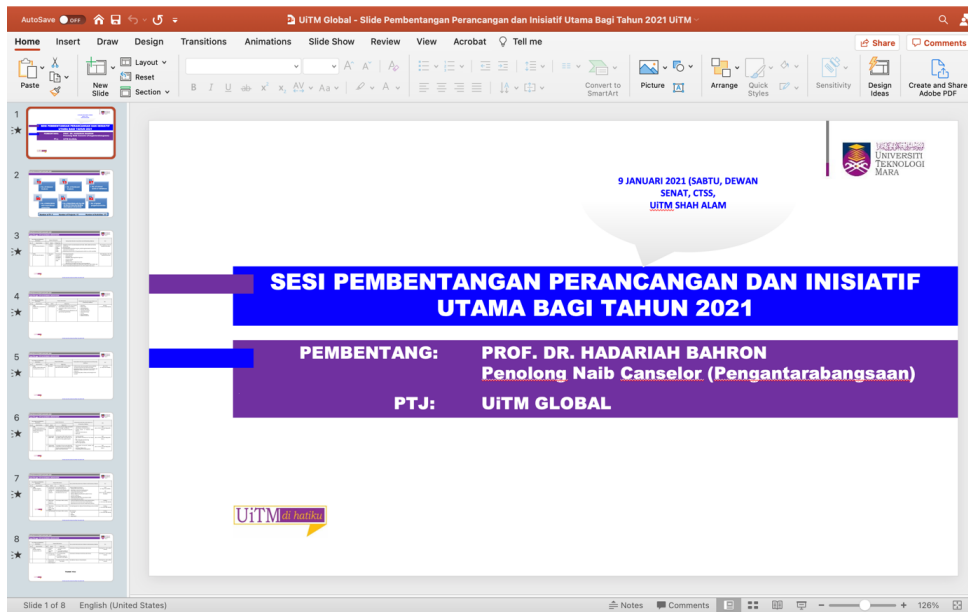
The Office of International Affairs (OIA) (now known as the Department of International Affairs (DIA)) welcomed the new Assistant Vice Chancellor (Internationalization), Prof. Dr. Hadariah Bahron to spearhead UiTM Global. Department directors Dr. Hajah Zainab Haji Mohd Noor, Director, Department of International Affairs (DIA), Assoc. Prof Dr Mohamad Naqiyuddin, Director, Department Strategic Partnership (DSP) and Ir. Dr Amirul Abd. Rashid, Director, Department of Ranking (DR) attended the meeting. An introduction and overview of the departments respectively was presented.





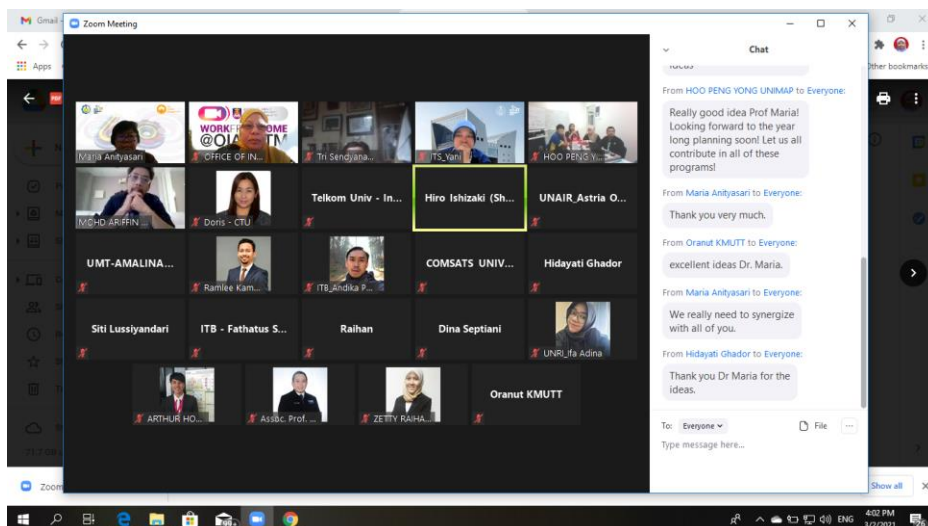
2. DIA meeting on Strategic Action Plan (January 6)

The Departments of International Affairs, Ranking, and Strategic Global Planning met to discuss the planning and initiatives of each department in UiTM Global. These were presented at the *Sesi Pembentangan Perancangan dan Inisiatif Utama bagi Tahun 2021* on 9 January 2021 by Prof. Dr Hadariah Bahron, the Assistant Vice Chancellor (Internationalization). Each department prepared its key initiatives and yearly action plans/ activities/initiatives to be achieved for 2021. UiTM Global marks the new mission in the New Year.



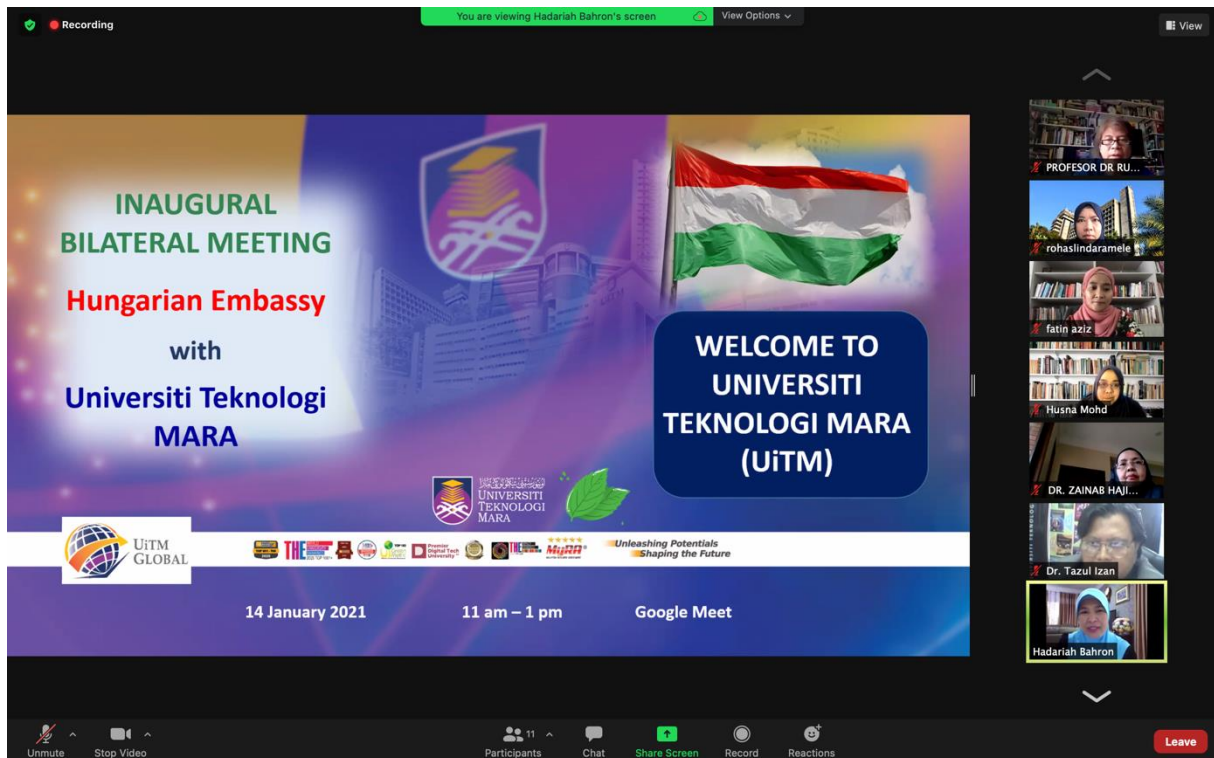
3. JKPA-SIG Meeting on Virtual Mobility (January 13)

Dr. Hajah Zainab Haji Mohd Noor, the Director, Department of International Affairs (DIA) UiTM chaired the *Jawatankuasa Pengarah Antarabangsa (JKPA) Universiti Awam Malaysia SIG* Mobility meeting attended by 24 local university representatives. The main aim of the meeting was to discuss the Operational Definitions (OD) of Virtual Mobility (VM), to re-define, share opinions and suggestions on VM. They proposed six points to the Ministry of Higher Education (MOHE) namely, the flexible nature of program design, equivalent hours of VM to physical mobility, number of students and the duration of students' involvement in a program. MOHE will soon issue a clear statement concerning VM to be used by all universities based on these suggestions.






4. Bilateral Meeting: UiTM - Embassy of Hungary (January 14)

Delegates from the Embassy of Hungary in Malaysia led by the Ambassador, Her Excellency Dr. Petra Ponevács-Pana and Deputy Head of Mission, Dr. Judit Sarnyai were welcomed at the online Bilateral Meeting by Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) by the Assistant Vice-Chancellor (Internationalization), Prof. Dr. Hadariah Bahron and the Department of International Affairs (DIA) team. Also present were deans from the College of Creative Arts and the Dean, Faculty of Architecture, Planning and Surveying, Prof. TPr. Dr. Jamalunlaili Abdullah. The main objective of the meeting was to establish networking with Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in Central Europe. They discussed issues relating to the pandemic and academic collaboration, which could provide greater chances of promoting UiTM in the global arena.



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Her Excellency
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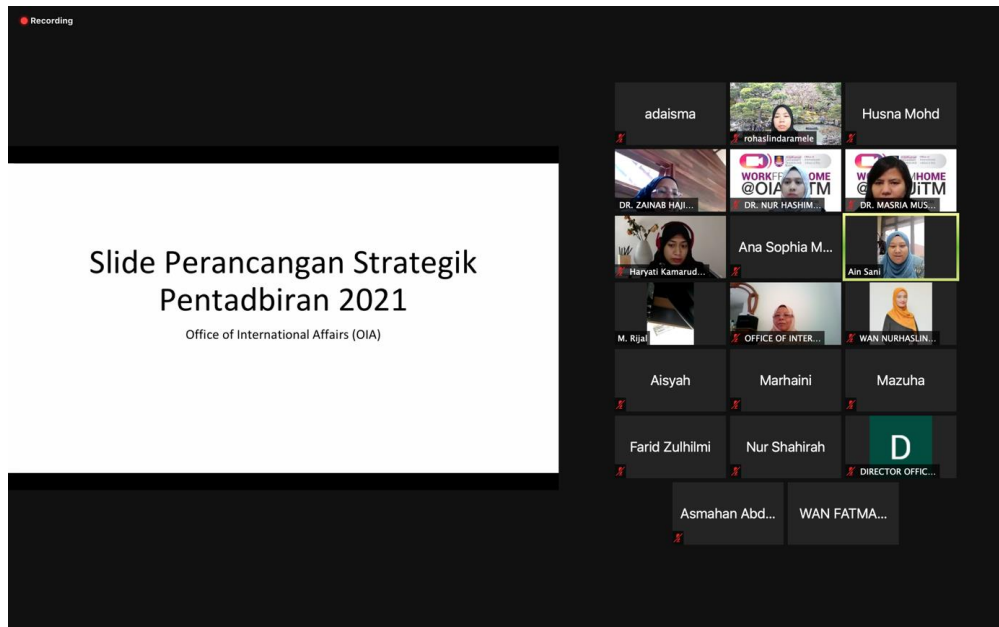
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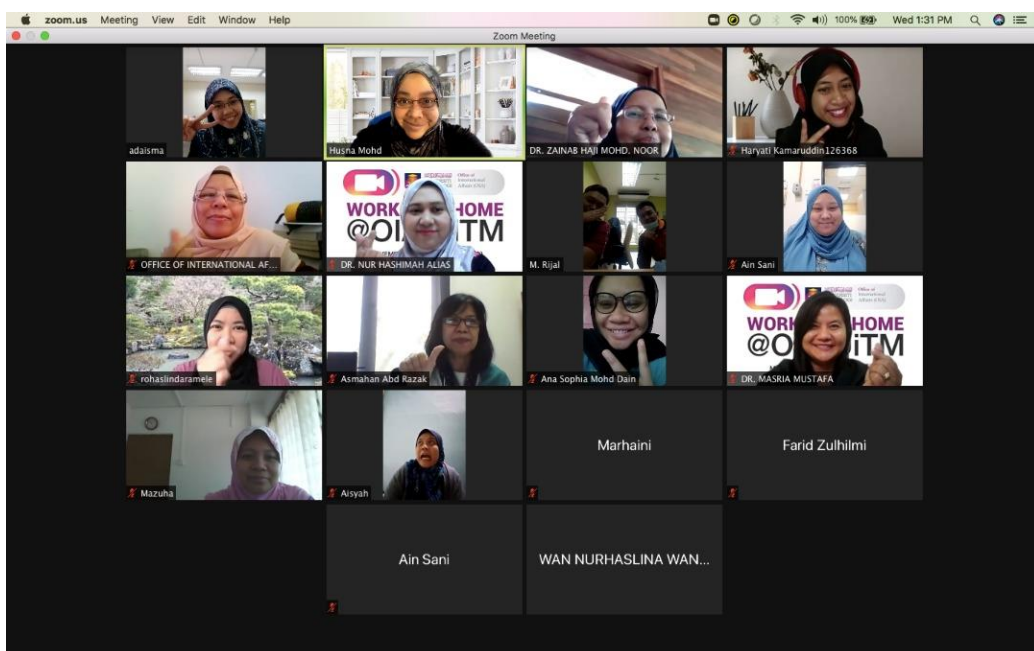
5. DIA Strategic Planning (January 16)

The units in the Department of International Affairs (DIA), International Cooperation, Training and Development (ICTD) and International Student and Development (ISD), and Administration presented their planned strategies for 2021. Each unit highlighted its key initiatives and yearly action plans as well as activities to achieve Key Performance Indicator (KPI) for 2021. This marked the new beginning of each department under UiTM Global.



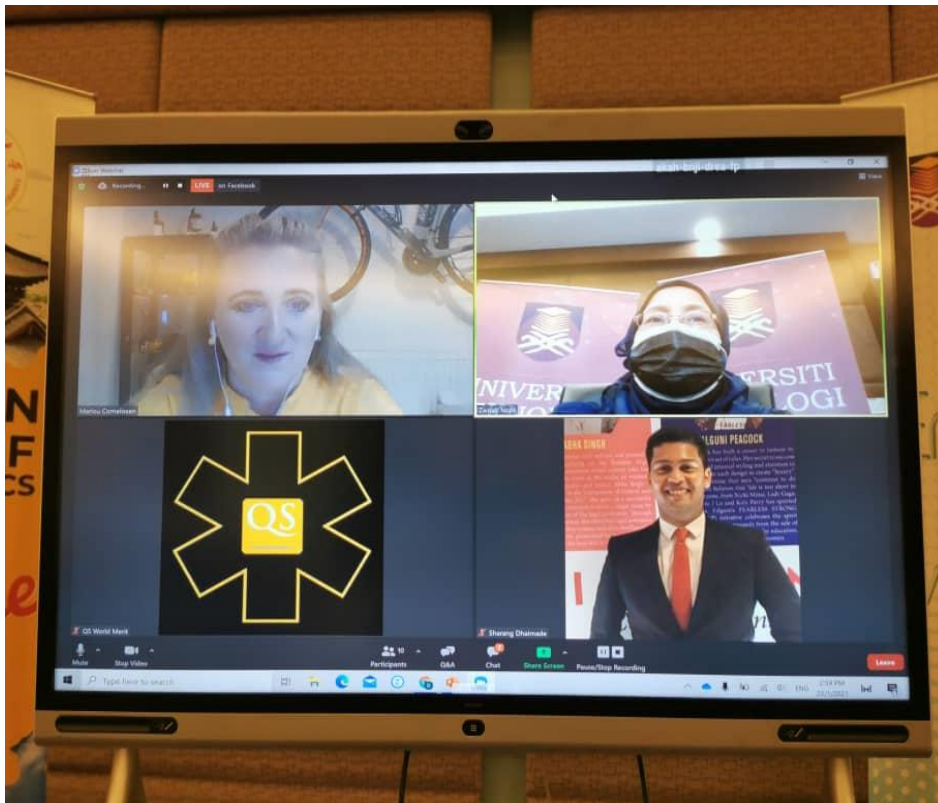
6. DIA Management Meeting (January 18)

The Department of International Affairs (DIA) held its first department meeting for 2021 where each unit presented its strategic plans based on the Key Performance Indicator (KPI) and Performance Indicators (PI) laid down by *Bahagian Transformasi UiTM (BTU)*. This marked the new and re-defined roles of each department under UiTM Global.



7. QS World Merit Online LIVE Launch (January 22)

The World Merit, a charity organization, launched LIVE online with the QS Trust, to further expand its work through universities around the world to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) set by the United Nations (UN). UiTM was represented by Dr Zainab Mohd Noor and promoted World Merit@UiTM to the world. UiTM aligned its global agenda to synchronize with the recent changes brought on by the pandemic and to take the university to a higher level with new partners around the globe.



Admiralty in Singapore as examples of successful urban dwelling. The lecture generated great interest and received positive feedback from the participants.







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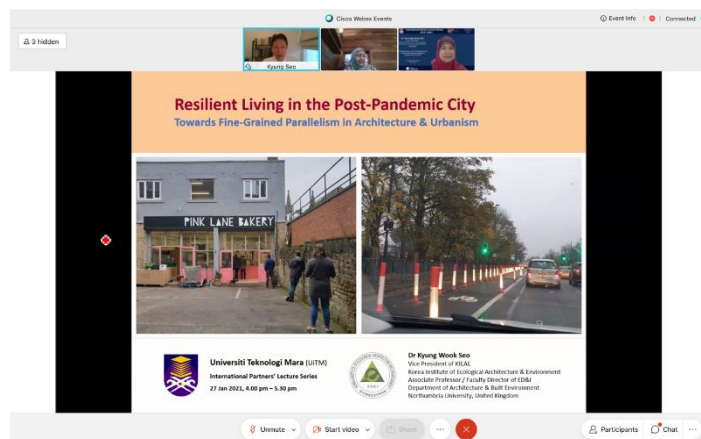
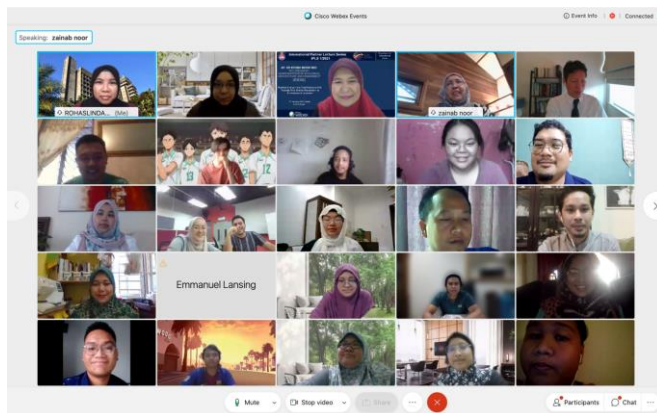
Assoc. Prof. Dr. Kyung Wook Seo
*Vice President of Korea Institute
of Ecological Architecture & Engineering (KIEAE)*

Date // **27 January 2021 (Wednesday)**
Time // **4.00pm - 5.30pm**
Platform //  **LIVE STREAM**



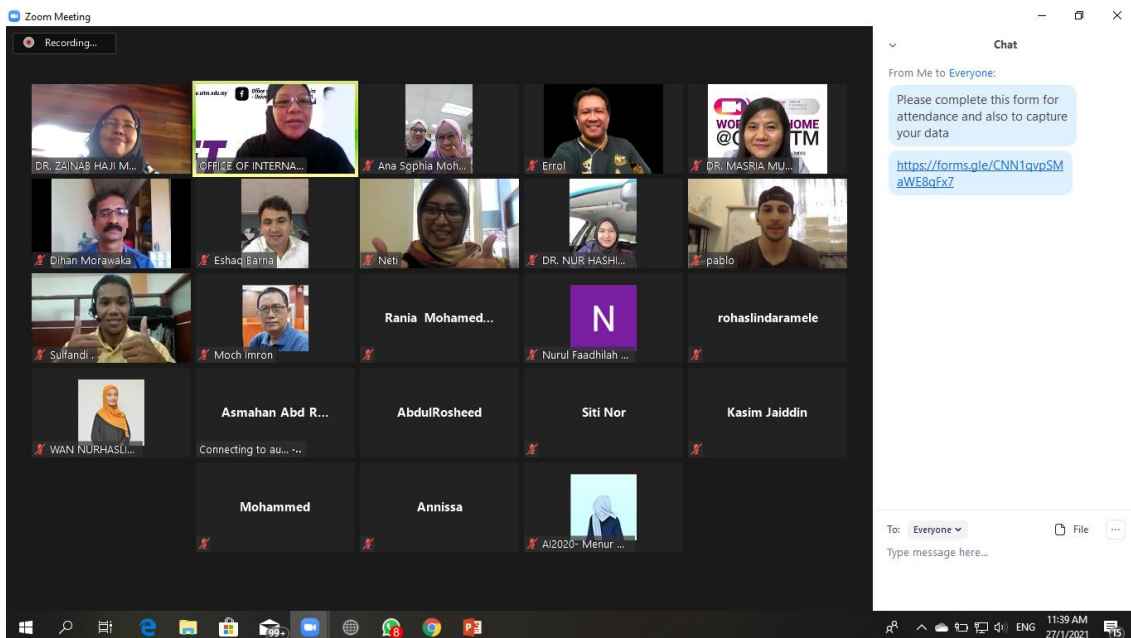
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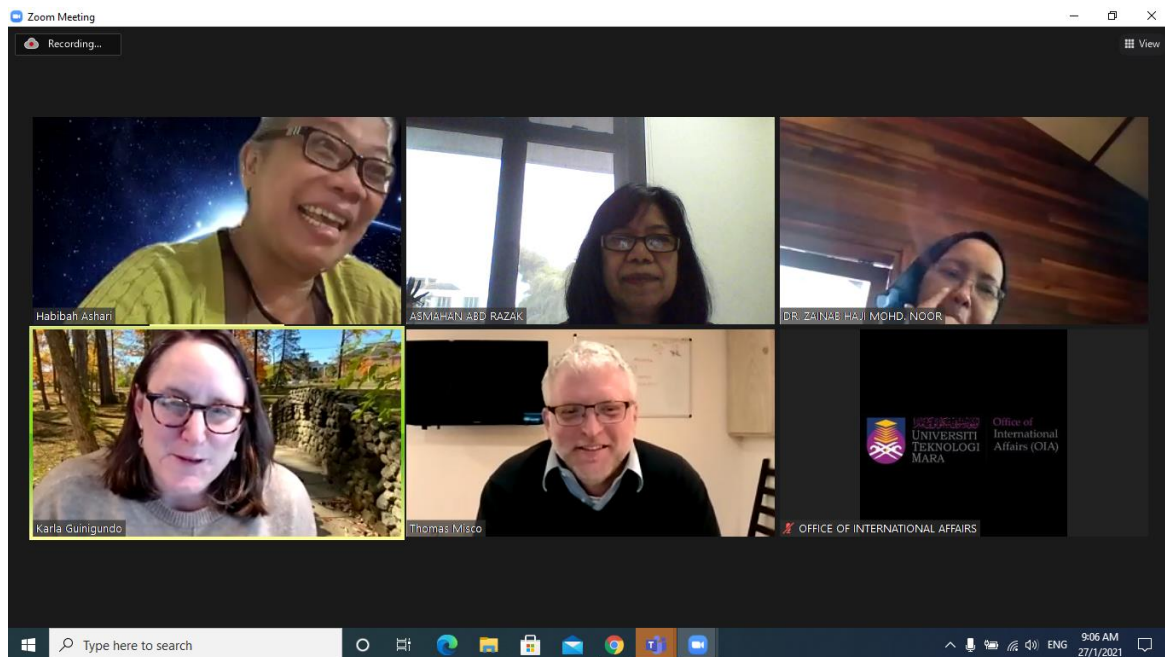
10. Meet and Greet DIA (January 27)

DIA has held regular Meet and Greet (M & G) Sessions to get in touch and disseminate latest information to international students since April 2020. The first M & G for 2021 was chaired by Dr. Hj. Zainab who greeted and welcomed the students with New Year wishes and introduced new members of the International Students and Development (ISD) unit, Mrs. Eva Salmee Mohd Salleh and Ms. Wahida Ana Sophia Mohd Dain. The latest information about international students' entry into the country released by the Ministry of Higher Education, announcements on COVID-19 test, charges and method of payment related to the quarantine process were given to the new arrivals. Dr. Zainab also reminded international students of their responsibilities on the pre-arrival, upon arrival and post arrival processes. Some of the issues raised by international students included the procedure of visa renewal of student remaining at home country and medical facility given for international students by UiTM Health Centre. The M&G session for international students is pertinent especially in the current situation. UiTM has to ensure their safety and well-being.



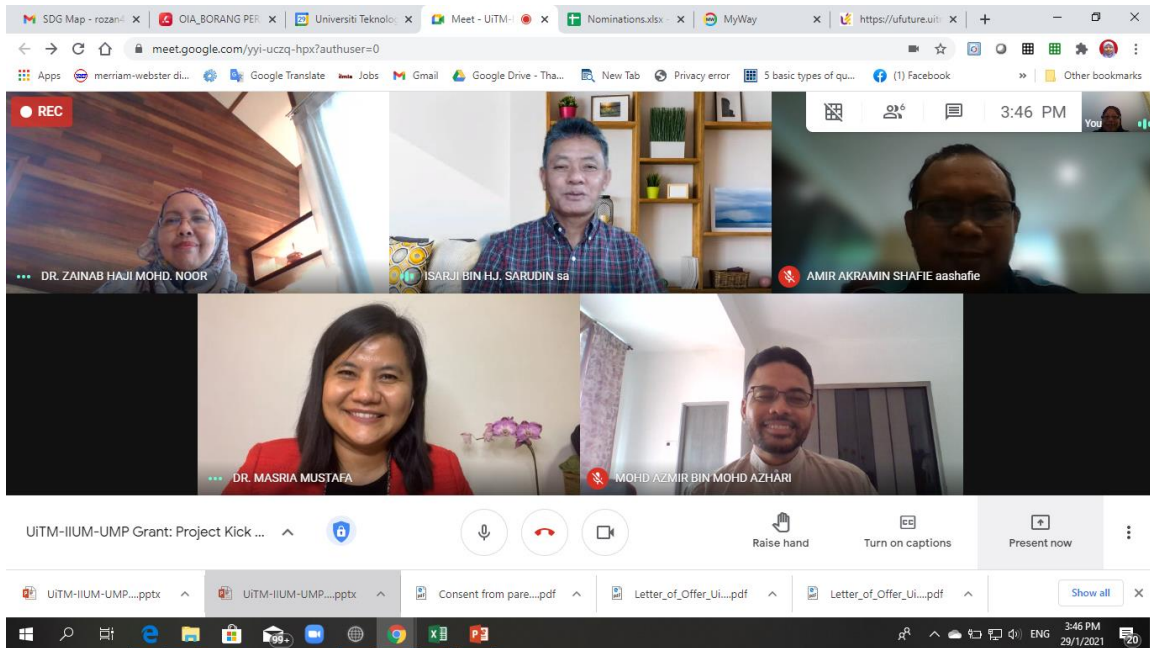
11. U.S. Embassy Research Grant Meeting with Miami University, Ohio, (January 27)

An initial meeting was organised between UiTM and Miami University led by Dr Zainab Mohd Noor and Prof. Thomas Misco respectively. The online meeting discussed the scope, framework, and direction of a collaborative study on “Democratic Citizenship Education in the U.S. and Malaysia” in order to secure the U.S Embassy Grant. US Embassy in Kuala Lumpur invited proposals for research funding opportunity from US institutions to conduct studies with counterparts in Malaysia. The invitation is for programs that further U.S government objectives and promote bilateral cooperation and mutual understanding between the U.S and Malaysia. Securing grant outside UiTM is highly encouraged by Research Management Committee (RMC), UiTM as part of achieving UiTM Global Agenda and ensuring UiTM’s visibility and competitiveness in research in the global arena.



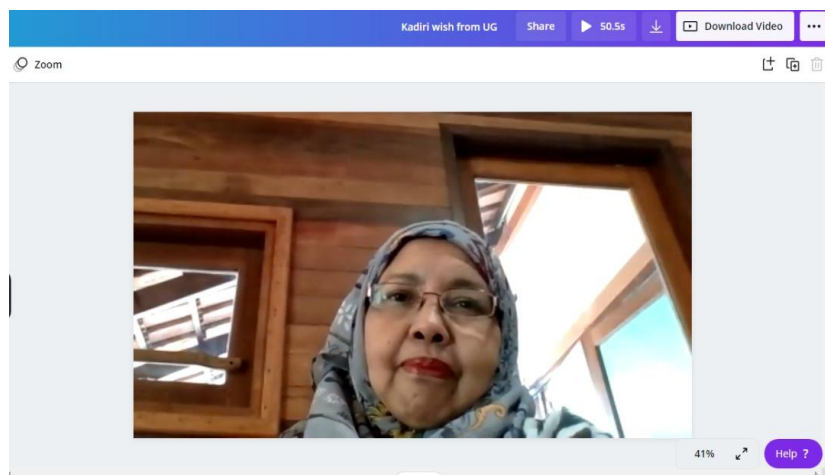
12. Research Meeting with IIUM-Ump-UiTM Sustainable Research Collaborative Grant (January 29)

The Department of International Affairs headed by Dr. Hjh. Zainab Hj. Mohd Noor secured a collaborative grant worth RM10,000 to conduct research on “Mapping Course Sustainability for Internationalizing Curriculum in Higher Education in Malaysia.” The research team include the Head of International Student and Development, Assoc. Prof. Dr-Ing Masria Mustafa, the Coordinator for Exchange Program, Dr. Rozzana Mohd Said, in collaboration with IIUM Deputy Rector, Academic and Industrial Linkage, Prof. Dr. Isarji Hj Saruddin and the UMP Director of Centre of International Relations, Dr. Mohd Azmir Bin Mohd Azhari. The first online meeting was held to discuss aspects of SDG and curriculum in the areas of engineering and computer science as well as the research direction. Each university presented their status of SDG map to existing curriculum to identify the research gap and to direct the research process. The research is expected to enable publication of at least three papers in indexed international journals and a proposal of a mapping framework of SDG and the curriculum to be used by all institutions of higher learning in Malaysia.



13. Kadiri University 41st Anniversary (January 30)

Universitas Kadiri will be celebrating its 41st Anniversary in February, hence the Department of International Affairs (DIA), Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) was invited to send a congratulatory video as one of its international partners. UiTM and Universitas Kadiri have a long standing close relationship to support of students' and staff activities. One of the significant webinars organized by Universitas Kadiri was when UiTM was invited to participate on 'Independent Campus 'in 2020, with Dr Hjh Zainab Mohd Noor as the guest speaker.



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