## Youths Supporting Environmental Sustainability Efforts

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**MONDAY, 6 APRIL** – The involvement of the young generation in sustainable environmental programmes is vital to ensure the sustainability on environmental conservation efforts for the future.

Director of EcoCampus Management Centre Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS), Associate Professor Dr. Justin Sentian explained that the participation of the young generation particularly university students in this information sharing programme would improve their

knowledge on environmental sustainability.

"We welcome the support from youths especially university students from various disciplines and different faculties in environmental sustainability programmes organised by UMS.

"Various education programmes held were hoped to be able to improve their skills in respect of nature conservation, as well as to raise awareness on the importance of the on-going conservation efforts," he said.

He said this when officiating the Pre-Conference Colloquium on Campus Sustainability for Students at the Gallery this morning.

He hoped participants of the programme would take advantage of the opportunities in sharing knowledge through direct communication and interaction with guest speakers.

The one-day programme organised by UMS International Affairs Office saw lectures in the morning by three invited speakers namely Bernard Tai, Sabah Head WWF Sabah; Faculty of Business, Economics and Accounting lecturer, Dr. Awangku Hassanal Bahar Pengiran Bagul and Faculty of Science and Natural Resources, Dr. Bonaventure Vun Leong Wan.

In the afternoon, the 100-odd students from various faculties including international students did some outdoor activities including tree identification, tree health assessment, and DIY Environment with UMS Childcare Centre. – *MA (fl)* 

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