



SEA Hibiscus CEO Chong See Cheong (second from right) with Dr Ismail Saad, Dean of Engineering Faculty UMS (seen centre) and others from Hibiscus (left to right), Datuk Eddie Abdullah, Edmund Ang and Hj Nordin Ahmad.

Hibiscus fuels career ambitions of UMS engineering students

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KOTA KINABALU: More than 100 Third and Final Year engineering students from Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) benefitted from a one-day fast-track sharing into the valuable insights into the oil and gas industry, potential career paths and the importance of soft skills which was conducted by SEA Hibiscus, a subsidiary of Hibiscus Petroleum at the university's campus last Saturday.

SEA Hibiscus Chief Executive Officer Chong Chee Seong was the main speaker at the outreach programme, aptly entitled "Fuelling Ambitions: Exploring Oil & Gas Careers and Skills."

Chong began with a general introduction to create an increased awareness on the significance of the oil and gas industry as a major contributor to the nation's economy and alluding to Hibiscus Petroleum's

background and operations worldwide.

He hoped that the engagement would enable the students to gain a broader understanding of the careers available in the oil and gas industry as well as get better informed on the pre-requisites of their choices including the importance of developing their soft skills.

The other speakers were Edmund Ang, SEA Hibiscus Head of Operations for Sabah, Hj Nordin Ahmad from Human Capital and Ivy Wong, an alumni of UMS who now works in the company as a production engineer. She gave an insight of her journey, From Campus To A Career.

Six other UMS alumni members who now work for SEA Hibiscus were also present to share personal motivational stories with the students and

giving encouragement or advice. Several booths were set up by the various disciplines ranging from Human Capital, Wells, Production, Process, Chemical, Statics, Pipeline, Inspection, Instrument, Rotating, Electrical, Terminal and Metering to demonstrate the routine work, job scopes and the accompanying technology involved.

UMS Dean of Engineering Faculty, Dr Ts. Ismail Saad in his opening remarks expressed his deep appreciation to SEA Hibiscus for coming to the campus and sharing an indepth first-hand experience of the oil and gas industry from its operational perspective.

"We are always on the look-out for collaboration opportunities with the industry like this one today because we want to achieve the employability target for our graduates," he reiterated.