



The UMS winning team in a group photo with Student Affairs Vice-Chancellor Prof Madya Datuk Dr Kasim Md Mansur.

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## UMS tops Students in Free Enterprise event

KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) emerged champion in the national-level Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) event held at the Putra World Trade Centre (PWTC) in Kuala Lumpur from July 15-17.

The UMS SIFE team of 13 undergraduates repeated their success in 2009, this time setting aside SIFE teams from Universiti Utara Malaysia (UUM), Universiti Malaysia Terengganu (UMT) and Universiti Tenaga Nasional (Uniten).

The team will now represent Malaysia in the SIFE World Cup in Washington on Sept 30-Oct 2 this

year.

Deputy Higher Education Minister Dato' Saifuddin Abdullah presented the prizes.

According to one of the UMS participants Diedre Eligius, the community projects presented by UMS SIFE won the hearts of the jury.

Among the projects presented were efforts to help communities on Mantanani island in generating income and reducing waste in the islands.

She added that the UMS SIFE effort in developing a bio-energy process using cow dung also succeeded in opening the eyes of the

jury.

"The bio-energy project was implemented in Kg Maridi, Ulu Sugut, Ranau, with guidance from the Sabah Department of Veterinary Services and Animal Industry. It is to generate electricity to help those in need," she said.

A total of 29 teams from private and public higher learning institutions participated in the annual event organised by SIFE Malaysia.

Its objectives among others is to highlight community outreach projects by university students across the country.