

UMS student 'Best Participant' in international summer course

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah's (UMS), Jacqueline Joseph, was recognised as the Best Participant in the "Department of Resource and Environment Economics (ESL) International Summer Course: Reducing Carbon Footprints from Individual to Global Actions" organised by Institut Pertanian Bogor (IPB) University, Indonesia, recently.

The PhD student of Forestry at UMS' Faculty of Science and Natural Resources beat 370 other participants from 70 international universities and received prizes in the form of money and certificate of participation.

"At first I just wanted to expand the network of cooperation with foreign researchers and participate proactively in assignments and partnerships with academicians from abroad.

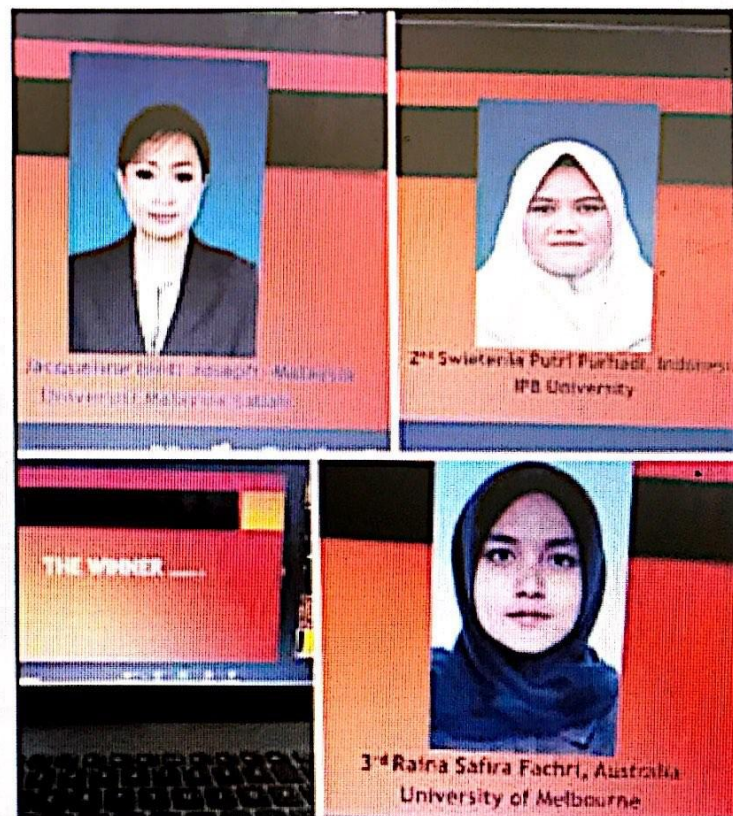
"I feel overwhelmed and did not expect to be selected as the Best Participant apart from getting second place in the Learning Journal which was screened and selected by a panel from Indonesia and Australia," said Joseph, here, Thursday.

She said the competition was held online using the Zoom application.

It is an international discussion platform involving academicians and students in global climate change mitigation and the implications of carbon emissions.

On what she feels about the success, the Tenom native woman said she was very happy to be able to make UMS famous internationally.

"I also hope UMS students do not miss the opportunity to participate in such programmes because it is one of the stepping stones for them to expand collaboration with academicians and students from



Jacqueline (top left) announced as the winner.

abroad.

"Indirectly, it also dignifies the name of UMS in the eyes of the world through the involvement and contribution of the students themselves," she said.

The competition in the form of a course from Nov 20 to Dec 5 involved participation from various countries including Australia, Russia, China, Brazil, Tanzania, Nigeria, Afghanistan, Nepal, Haiti, Indonesian and Myanmar.