

# UPM wins National IP Award

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UNIVERSITI Putra Malaysia (UPM) made history at the 2016 National Intellectual Property (AHIN) Award by taking the top prize for the fourth time under the Organisation (Best Management of Intellectual Property) category.

UPM received RM30,000, a championship trophy, an accompanying trophy, World Intellectual Property Organisation trophy and an appreciation certificate which were presented by Minister of Domestic Trade, Cooperative and Consumerism Datuk Seri Hamzah Zainudin. Present to receive for UPM was Vice-Chancellor (Research and Innovation) Professor Datuk Dr Mohd Azmi Mohd Lila.

UPM has previously won the same award in 2008, 2012 and 2014.

At the event, which was themed National Transformation Through Intellectual Property, UPM was also listed as one of the finalists under the Industrial Design category.

A total of seven categories were put up for contest — Organisation (Best Intellec-



(From left) UPM Putra Science Park director **Professor Madya Dr Samsilah Roslan**, **Datuk Seri Hamzah Zainudin** and **Professor Datuk Dr Mohd Azmi Mohd Lila** with the mock cheque.

tual Property Management); Patent; Trade Marks & Geographical Indications; Industrial Design; Copyright; Intellectual Property Inventor (Students of Skilled Training Institutions or its equivalent); and Young Intellectual Property Inventor (Secondary School Students).

AHIN was introduced in conjunction with the National Intellectual Property Day, with the aim of providing recognition to inventors or creators for their contributions in developing intellectual property for national socio-economic development.

It is also aimed at encouraging more inventions and creations as well as to nurture intellectual property culture among Malaysians.

Speaking after the ceremony, Mohd Azmi said UPM had been helping industries, schools and other set-ups to be efficient in the management of intellectual property.

“Now we are training some quarters on better IP management,” he said, expressing gratitude and appreciation to UPM Vice-Chancellor, Prof Datin Paduka Dr Aini Ideris, researchers and university staff.