

UPM launches Putra Future Classroom

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UNIVERSITI Putra Malaysia (UPM) will launch the Putra Future Classroom, which will serve as a centre of reference for best technology integrators in teaching and learning for all parties, both locally and internationally.

UPM vice-chancellor Prof Datin Paduka Dr Aini Ideris said that the Putra Future Classroom was established to provide a prototype for future classrooms or lecture halls.

"I am confident that the Putra Future Classroom can be one of the mediums to explore the best practices on how knowledge culture can be integrated creatively and innovatively to meet future changes," she said.

She added that the Putra Future Classroom has also received support and consultative technical services from several university partners including Huawei Malaysia, Tanand Technology, Ingeniwoks, Clouston Landscape, Microsoft Malaysia, Open Learning Australia and Malaysia, Path Green Energy, Amanah

Hartanah Bumiputera and Pelaburan Hartanah Berhad.

"My hope is that the Putra Future Classroom will be one of UPM's flagship programmes capable of benefitting all parties in and outside the university," she added.

The coordinator for the Putra Future Classroom, Assoc Prof Dr Habibah Ab Jalil said the Putra Future Classroom is in line with the university's goal in ensuring the software used for classroom activities and future classrooms will always look forward to the changes in the digital era of the Industry 4.0.

"Putra Future Classroom uses the latest teaching and learning approaches which are interactive and blended and use virtual realities, internet of things, data analytics and artificial intelligence," she said.

Putra Future Classroom also serves as a launching and test pad of a 21st century classroom or lecture room sample that will always adapt changes in line with its goals.