

# UPM, USM and UiTM academicians honoured

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Zakri was among nine academicians honoured at the event for excellence in various categories.

Other award recipients included Associate Professor Dr Oon Chern Ein of Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM), who received the Promising Academician Award.

Professor Dr Lai Oi Ming of Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) and Dr Shahreza Md Sheriff of Universiti Malaysia Terengganu received the Innovation and Products Commercialisation Award and Teach-

ing Award, respectively.

The Arts and Creativity Award went to Dr Ang Mei Foong of UPM (Performing Arts Cluster), Associate Professor Jalaini Abu Hassan of Universiti Teknologi Mara (Visual Arts Cluster) and Associate Professor Dr Kamariah Kamarudin of UPM (Creative Writing Cluster).

The two recipients of the Journal Literature Publication Award were Professor Datuk Dr Abdul Khalil H.P. Shawkataly of USM (Science field) and Professor Dr Sherina Mohd Sidik of UPM (Literature and Social Science field).

They each received RM50,000 together with a certificate and a trophy.

Present were Dr Mahathir's wife, Tun Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali, Deputy Education Minister Teo Nie Ching and Higher Education Department director-general Datuk Dr Siti Hamisah Tapsir.

Earlier in his speech, Dr Mahathir said rapid development in the higher education landscape brought about by the Fourth Industrial Revolution required academicians to adapt and keep abreast with changes.