



# Congratulatory Messages

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#### Institutions



It gives me great pleasure to write to congratulate the Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman on the happy occasion of its 10th Anniversary in 2012.

The university has come a long way and firmly established itself on the map of higher education in Malaysia. To have accomplished so much within so short a period is ample evidence of a clear vision, a united spirit and a determined drive.

Under the able leadership of its President/CEO, Ir. Professor Dato' Dr. Chuah Hean Teik, I am confident that the university will scale new heights and see greater achievements in the years ahead.

#### Joseph J Y Sung

Vice-Chancellor and President
The Chinese University of Hong Kong



On behalf of Dongseo University, I extend sincere congratulations to UTAR on the occasion of its tenth anniversary. As one of your sister universities, we look forward to opportunities for mutually beneficial collaborations in the coming years. May your next decade be as outstanding as your first!

#### Dr Chang Jekuk

President
Dongseo University



Both our universities have had many academic exchange activities since our partnership was established on 13 December, 2005. And as we take the time to celebrate the accomplished achievements for the ten years gone by - we turn expectantly to the year that lies ahead.

#### **Pao-Long Chang**

President Feng Chia University



Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman and Guangxi University have been happily sharing a long-term collaboration relationship in fields like student development, joint scientific research and technological development, and our co-operation has proved to be very fruitful.

We firmly believe that UTAR's anniversary celebration will greatly rejuvenate the university. I sincerely wish for better and deeper cooperation between our two universities.

#### **Prof Tang Jiliang**

President
Guangxi University



It gives me great pride to write a message for this auspicious moment of UTAR's celebration. Having been closely associated with UTAR as a founding Dean and later Vice President for six years, I am extremely pleased to see that UTAR has progressed in leaps and bounds. My best wishes to all the staff and students for a wonderful celebration.

#### Dr Tan Chik Heok

Principal Kolej Tunku Abdul Rahman (KTAR)



As a partner university, we are very pleased to convey a congratulatory message to UTAR in recognition of its tenth anniversary. I understand that Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman was founded with a vision to be a premier non-profit private university serving the local and global communities. As a result, UTAR has produced some of Malaysia's brightest, dedicated citizens who have affected positive changes to Malaysia and made major contributions to society.

Mokpo National University will continue to make efforts to develop our partnership and implement academic exchange programs between our two universities. I wish UTAR continued success and want to thank UTAR for making efforts to build bridges of knowledge, friendship and diplomacy between Malaysia and Korea.

#### Seok-Kyu Ko

President
Mokpo National University



On behalf of National Chiao Tung University, Taiwan, I'd like to extend warm wishes and congratulations on the auspicious decadal anniversary of Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman. The continuing success will surely come hand in hand with the new page of its next decade and bring more remarkable advances.

#### Yan-Hwa Wu Lee

President
National Chiao Tung University



I am very happy to congratulate our sister university, Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman on the occasion of her tenth anniversary. UTAR has experienced a phenomenal growth and development over the last decade.

Your impressive success, I am sure, is largely due to the devotion of your faculty and a group of visionary administrators. As your sister institution, National Tsing Hua University in Hsinchu, Taiwan looks forward to having greater exchanges and more productive cooperation with you in the years to come.

#### Prof Lil J. Chen

President
National Tsing Hua University



I'm delighted to express warm congratulations to UTAR on its tenth anniversary. Over the course of the last ten years, UTAR has grown remarkably and become recognised throughout the world for its quality. I know that UTAR will continue to grow with new programmes and an increased number of students. We hope you will have a wonderful anniversary and we look forward to collaborations in the future.

#### **Allan Rock**

President
University of Ottawa



On behalf of QUT, I extend congratulations to the President and staff on the occasion of UTAR's 10th anniversary. Your success in increasing student enrolments, program offerings and research projects in a relatively short period is impressive. All of us at QUT are proud of our association with you, and we look forward to building on our relationship in the years to come.

#### **Prof Peter Coaldrake**

Vice-Chancellor Queensland University of Technology



The University of Salford extends hearty congratulations to Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman (UTAR) on the auspicious milestone of its 10th Anniversary celebrations. The University of Salford looks forward to further collaboration between academics at both Institutions.

#### Dr Irene Khan

Chancellor
University of Salford



On behalf of Suranaree University of Technology and in my own name, I would like to send the best wishes and congratulations to Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman for its tenth anniversary. This celebration marks a great milestone for Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman. I have no doubt about the success and progress of the university which reflect its dedication and commitment towards achieving academic excellence.

I am very confident that Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman will continue to build on its impressive legacy, endowing future generations with the honour of high-standard education.

#### **Prof Dr Prasart Suebka**

Rector
Suranaree University of Technology



I feel very happy to celebrate the upcoming UTAR's tenth Anniversary with you.

We witness that UTAR has been dedicating to excellence in teaching and research, you also have a clear objective to become one of Malaysia's leading universities since your official launching.

We also see that UTAR established an International Advisory Council consisting of eminent scholars and scientists, in order to ensure that the institution conformed to international standards of higher education, as well as to foster academic affiliations.

Happy 10th anniversary and look forward to collaborating with you and UTAR in the years ahead.

Pen-Jung Wang President Tzu Chi University

#### Academics



UTAR is certainly taking off and going places. I wish UTAR a very happy tenth anniversary, and I hope the next ten years will be more productive than the last ten years.

#### **Prof Gerard Gannon**

Deakin University
External Examiner (Bachelor of Business Administration (Hons)
Banking and Finance, Faculty of Business and Finance)



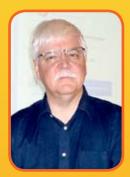
I think within the last ten years, UTAR has already reached a good level, and during the next ten years, UTAR will reach even higher levels in the next ten years. I'm sure you will make progress in your efforts to become a research university!

#### **Prof Sun Qian**

Fudan University

External Examiner (Bachelor of Economics (Hons) Global

Economics, Faculty of Accountancy and Management)



The expansion of UTAR is nothing short of remarkable. I congratulate the President and staff of UTAR for taking the University from a small beginning to a very vibrant, strong academic community that is doing great things. I wish you every success on your tenth birthday.

#### **Prof Dr William Cushley**

University of Glasgow External Examiner (Bachelor of Science (Hons) Biochemistry, Faculty of Science)



A tenth year is a major milestone for any institution, so congratulations to UTAR. There are a lot of things that are going well in UTAR and I wish you more success in the future.

#### **Prof Zeny Sarabia-Panol**

Middle Tennessee State University External Examiner (Bachelor of Communication (Hons) Public Relations, Faculty of Arts and Social Science)



I find that UTAR is a very beautiful campus. UTAR has a high potential to be the top ten universities in Malaysia. As Chinese saying, right action, right result, wrong action, wrong result. I believe UTAR start with the right start and this is a very good start. Happy ten year anniversary to UTAR!

#### **Prof Chang Chieh- Ming, James**

National Chung Hsing University External Examiner (Bachelor of Engineering (Hons) Petrochemical Engineering)



UTAR might still be young, but by international standards, its achievements are really great. I strongly believe that UTAR will become a world-class university in the coming years, judging by the quality of its students and programmes. I sincerely congratulate UTAR on its tenth anniversary.

#### **Prof John Wang**

National University of Singapore External Examiner (Bachelor of Engineering (Hons), Materials and Manufacturing Engineering, Faculty of Engineering and Science)



UTAR has achieved outstanding results, given that it's only ten years old. Its commitment, innovations and programmes are outstanding. It has achieved a lot in ten years, and I think it will achieve greater things in the next ten years. I'd like to congratulate UTAR on your achievements and wish you well on your future aspirations.

#### **Prof Prem Ramburuth**

University of New South Wales External Examiner (Bachelor of International Business (Hons), Faculty of Accountancy and Management)



UTAR is impressive in many respects, and there have been a lot of significant achievements. The leadership has demonstrated good vision and UTAR will become a first-class university. As UTAR looks forward to celebrating its first ten years, I would like to congratulate the University, staff and students for doing a great job. UTAR is setting itself up to be a very strong and highly reputable academic institution.

#### **Prof Kevin Ibeh**

University of Strathclyde External Examiner (Bachelor of Marketing (Hons), Faculty of Business and Finance)



I'd like to wish UTAR a very happy tenth birthday, and a very successful year ahead of you. You've done a good job, and keep it up.

#### **Assoc Prof Dr Maizon Hashim**

Universiti Teknologi Malaysia External Examiner (Bachelor of Science (Hons) Quantity Surveying, Faculty of Engineering and Science)



I'd like to congratulate UTAR on its growth and development over the past ten years. I wish you all the best and I also wish you a great future ahead!

#### **Prof Brian Andrew**

University of Wollongong External Examiner (Bachelor of Accountancy (Hons), Faculty of Accountancy and Management)

#### **Industry Partners**



Strategic and valuable partnerships such as that with UTAR, is a vital foundation behind ACCA's success in producing qualified professional accountants with talent, drive and ambition. Congratulations UTAR on this major milestone - a decade of success and commitment to education excellence!

#### **Jennifer Lopez**

Country Head ACCA Malaysia



We would like to continue to support UTAR in all its research initiatives. Congratulations and best wishes for your tenth anniversary!

#### YBhg Dato' Dr Ir Gan Thian Leong

Group Managing Director
Brunsfield Group of Companies



On behalf of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA), we wish to extend our heartiest congratulations to Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman (UTAR) on the occasion of its tenth anniversary. Undoubtedly UTAR has grown from strength to strength since its inception in 2002 and the celebration of its tenth anniversary is indeed a significant milestone.

We share in the joy of UTAR's success which started from a single campus with three faculties to its four campuses with 10 faculties in 2011. We also laud its current efforts to become a research university so as to advance innovation and knowledge.

Once again, congratulations and may UTAR continue to be a progressive and dynamic institution of higher learning that contributes to Malaysia's human capital development and economic growth.

#### Venkkat Ramanan

Head, CIMA Malaysia



On behalf of the Institution of Surveyors Malaysia, I would like to convey our heartiest congratulations to University Tunku Abdul Rahman on the occasion of its tenth anniversary celebration.

Your success has not gone unnoticed; from the first intake of 411 students in 2011, you have expanded to over 19,000 students spread over 4 campuses. More significantly, the University is also producing many surveying graduates who eventually will contribute towards the surveying profession.

We are particularly proud of your achievement especially in view of the fact that our partnership in 2005 has fostered greater understanding and exchange of ideas in implementing common goals to sustain and transfer the high standard of the surveying profession to the next generation.

#### Sr Ahmad Fauzi Nordin

President
Institution of Surveyors Malaysia

#### JobStreet.com

The key to success of Malaysia in the future is the development of human resources. UTAR has done a fantastic job in the last ten years to create and nurture a lot of talented people to work in the industry. I wish that UTAR will continue the good work that it has done in the last ten years, and continue to do for the next ten years so it can continue to create the best talents to help Malaysia achieve its national vision.

#### **Mark Chang**

Chief Executive Officer
JobStreet.com



Heartiest congratulations on the 10th Anniversary Celebration of the Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman (UTAR). The Malaysian Iron and Steel Industry Federation (MISIF) rejoice in the immense pride the University must feel in achieving this milestone, which deserves special recognition and admiration. We wish UTAR a joyous 10th Anniversary Celebration and offer our best wishes for your continued growth, prosperity and much success in the ensuing years.

#### **Chow Chong Long**

President

Malaysian Iron and Steel Industry Federation (MISIF)



I am Ir Shyam Lakshmanan, the group general manager for Malay-Sino Chemical Sdn Bhd, which is part of Batu Kawan Group. I was asked to meet students today to speak on the importance of soft skills. I was a bit surprised when I reached UTAR. Soft skill is an important aspect and can equip students to adapt to the working world. My experience was good - good response from the students. They understood the importance of soft skills and asked me about the job outlook and how to handle interview. I extend my heartiest congratulations to UTAR for the hardwork done, and for producing quality students. I thank the department for making the arrangement, and wish UTAR will do great in the next 10 years.

#### Ir Shyam Laskhmanan

Group General Manager Malay-Sino Chemical Sdn Bhd



I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate UTAR on its tenth anniversary. Congratulations!

#### **Minhat Wahid**

Human Resource & Administration Director Revertex (M) Sdn Bhd



My heartiest wishes to UTAR for many thriving years to come, as it steers towards becoming a research university that advances knowledge and expertise, and continues to produce employable graduates skilled in analytics. UTAR has been SAS's MoU partner for teaching, learning and research since 2009.

#### **Andrew Tan**

Managing Director SAS Institute Sdn Bhd



It gives me great joy to send you my warmest wishes as you celebrate the 10th anniversary of the founding of the university. Your institution has indeed reached an important and well deserved milestone. Over the past ten years, the Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman has distinguished itself within the Malaysian education landscape.

I congratulate and thank the Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman for being instrumental in our nation's efforts to achieve its mission. I am confident that the Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman will be able to continue playing its vital role in strengthening our nation's talent pool.

#### **Koo Cheng**

Chief Executive Officer Sin Chew Daily



As you know in traditional Chinese medicine, we also use herbs that are derived from tropical plants and we wanted to find out more about these products that we use which are actually found in the jungles of Malaysia. So, UTAR has been very supportive to do this collaboration with us and I am confident that the collaboration will lead to patent filing. I am sure we have discovered new methods and new applications of these tropical plants which are unique and enable us to file for intellectual property. So, we look forward to a lot of collaboration with UTAR in the coming years.

On that note, I would to congratulate UTAR for the 10th Anniversary and wish UTAR many many more years of success.

**Richard Y. M. Eu**Group Chief Executive Officer
Eu Yan Sang Group



It is a privilege to be able to say a few words in this publication celebrating UTAR's 10th anniversary.

Education is one of S P Setia's core focuses in our corporate social responsibility activities. In 2009, we embarked on a strategic partnership with UTAR, sponsoring RM1.25 million to establish an academic Chair in Environmental Engineering and Green Technology.

Under the SP Setia Foundation—our charity trust set up in 2000, we have the Setia Adoption Programme (SAP) which helps underprivileged children by taking care of all their educational needs, including meals in school and tuition fees. We are blessed to have more than 2,400 pupils of various races from Perlis, Kedah, Pulau Pinang, Kuala Lumpur, Selangor, Johor, Pahang and Sabah under the SAP.

At S P Setia, we strongly believe in the importance of education and see it as an investment for the country's future. We would like to express our heartiest congratulations to the management and staff of UTAR for their ten years of contributing towards education excellence in Malaysia.

#### YBhg Tan Sri Dato' Sri Liew Kee Sin

President and CEO S P Setia Berhad



I'd like to congratulate UTAR on its tenth anniversary, and I wish that UTAR will continue to do well not just for the next ten years, but also for the next hundred years.

#### YBhg Tan Sri Dato Lim Wee Chai

Chairman
Top Glove Corporation Bhd

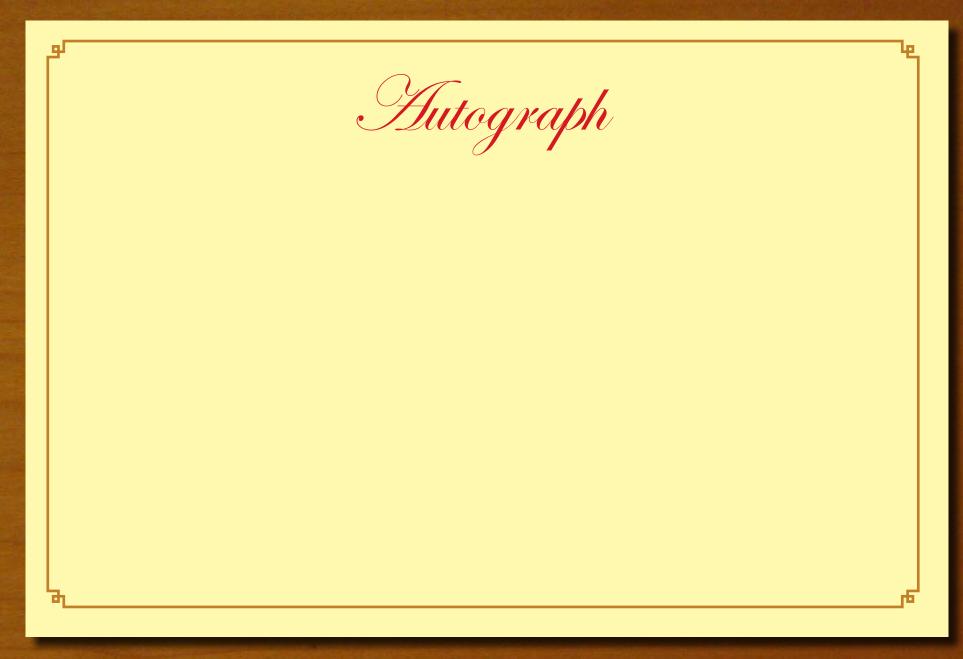
## Heartfelt Appreciation

Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman celebrates its 10th anniversary on 13 August 2012. The date marks a significant milestone in UTAR's continuous journey of fulfilment. Despite its tender age of a decade, it is pleasing for everyone to note that there have been quite a number of achievements the University can be proud of.

While we celebrate 10 years of progress and success, we are mindful that UTAR would not have been where it is today without the support and dedication of thousands of people. UTAR is truly a university by the people. It is impossible for us, although we would very much like to individually thank each and every one who has contributed so generously to the University. We could only beg the pardon of all our benefactors that we express our heartfelt appreciation collectively in the following manner.

Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman would like to express its utmost gratitude to:

- The Federal Government and its ministries and agencies particularly the Ministry of Higher Education and Malaysian Qualifications Agency and State Governments for approving the establishment of UTAR, approval of courses, provision of launching grant and research funds, and all the guidance and support that have enabled UTAR to progress steadily all this while and into the future.
- The MCA for the wonderful brainchild called UTAR and for its continual support throughout the years.
- The thousands of individuals, associations, organisations, and corporations, for contributing so generously in money, kind and efforts in enabling UTAR to continue to contribute to the society, people, the country and the world.
- All the fund providers and collaborative partners comprising individuals, corporations, associations, NGOs, professional bodies, institutions, universities, for sustaining the continuous improvement in the areas of academic development, R&D and commercialisation, and student and alumni development.
- All the international advisors, international collaborative partners and external examiners for ensuring UTAR continues to meet the international benchmarks and be globally relevant.
- The UTAR Education Foundation Board of Trustees, and UTAR Council for providing the indispensable guidance.
- All UTAR faculty, management and staff members for their dedication, hard work and unwavering support.
- All UTAR students, alumni and their families for the confidence in entrusting their future to the University.
- All other individuals and organisations which have given support and contributed in one way or another to make UTAR
  a better university.



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