

# COESA Managers attend the Faculty Enablement Program on Business Intelligence Workshop

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Thirty six lecturers from public higher education institutions have attended and participated in a Faculty Enablement Program on Business Intelligence (FEP-BI) workshop that was co-organized by MDeC, Infosys Malaysia and Universiti Malaysia Utara. The workshop was held at the Bayview Hotel, Langkawi, from the 30th June 2013 to 06th July 2013. The opening ceremony was officiated by Prof. Datuk Dr. Khairuddin Ab. Hamid, the President of Infosys Campus Connect, Malaysia.

The main objective of the workshop is to expose lecturers to the skills and technologies required in Business Intelligence. Business Intelligence is concerned with the fundamentals of how data can be handled for transactional processing (relational structures) and for analysis (multi-dimensional structures). Two experts from Infosys, India shared their expertise with the participants. In addition, participants shared with their colleagues their experiences in this field.

Universiti Malaysia Sabah was represented in the workshop by two senior lecturers, Dr. Rayner Alfred and Dr. Chin Kim On. Dr. Rayner has presented a talk entitled "Big Data Analytics" that highlights the importance of developing business analytic tools for analyzing big data that includes structured data (relational database) and unstructured data. Dr. Chin Kim On has also presented a talk entitled "Business Intelligence and Cloud Computing" that emphasizes on the importance of cloud computing in Business Intelligence as well as the application of cloud computing for Business Intelligence in the current trend. Based on this experience, they proposed to set up a new Competitive Intelligence (or Business Intelligence) undergraduate program at the School of Engineering and Information Technology, Universiti Malaysia Sabah



Participants and presenters



Dr. Rayner giving his talk



Dr. Chin giving his talk