

# From Lego to Robot...

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The introduction of robotics is growing rapidly in line with modern human expertise and knowledge. Currently, most of the designed robots are used in industries in various types of small to large products. Everything is built automatically as the robotic mind (or a chip) is already programmed to do anything either by remote control or automatic switch. In conjunction with this growth, the School of Medicine, Universiti Malaysia Sabah organized a Robotic Course on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2011. The course was officiated by Professor Dr Perumal Ramasamy, who represented the Dean of the School of Medicine.

The purpose of this course was to provide exposure and training on robotic technology to the participants, also to promote interest to the participants to be involved in areas related to creation of robotic technology. The course began with a session on introduction to robotics from speaker, Mr Tan Hin Long, a teacher from Sekolah Menengah Sains Sabah (SMESH), Kota Kinabalu. During the event, the participants were provided with Lego sets meant to create robots based on their creativity. It was a successful course where a total of 23 participants from the School of Medicine attending the course gave positive feedback that encouraged the organizing committee to conduct a 2nd Robotic Course in the near future.

