FRIDAY, 7 OCTOBER – The CreaNova (Creativity and Innovation) Month held throughout the month of October would be a platform for staff to select, identify and analyse issues pertaining to their work through creativity and innovation.

Vice-Chancellor of Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS), Professor Datuk Dr. Mohd Harun Abdullah said, the programme was an ongoing effort by the university to continue moving forward towards improving the delivery system and service in line with Shift 6 of the Malaysia Education Blueprint (Higher Education) 2015-2025, Empowered Governance.

“This programme is also held to foster a culture of continuous improvement, which is synonymous and practiced by the Japanese known as ‘Kaizen’ introduced by Masaki Imai in 1986 through his book, ‘The Key to Japan’s Competitive Success’.

“Through this strategy, continuous improvement should be practiced and this involve all members of the organisation working as a team.

“This strategy, if implemented well and continuously would give satisfaction to employees thus benefitting governance and the positive development of the organisation,” he said in his speech at the official opening of CreaNova 20016 Month-long Celebration read by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic and International), Professor Dr. D Kamarudin D Mudin, this morning.
According to him, this programme was timely as it was knowledge-based and creativity-driven, to enable staff to be innovative and add value to the quality of their services.

Also held was a signing of Letter of Intent (LoI) between the Registrar Department of UMS and UMS CreaNova Strategic Partners namely, Malaysian Administrative Modernisation and Management Planning Unit (MAMPU) Sabah Branch, Malaysia Productivity Corporation (MPC) Sabah Branch and National Archives Malaysia, Sabah Branch and the Federal Territory of Labuan. – (fl)

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