

UGM Students Win IECOM 2016

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Another international achievement has been made by students of Universitas Gadjah Mada. The POKAYOKE UGM team has won third place in Industrial Engineering Competition" (IECOM) 2016. The competition was held from 9-17 January 2016 at Bandung Institute of Technology, joined by 78 teams from ASEAN countries, including Indonesia, the Philippines and Thailand.

Mohamad Faiq Hanif, Pokayoke team member, said they came third after going through tough competition. They had to beat 77 other teams through an on-line selection, which produced 15 best teams in the semifinals.

"The selected 15 teams to the semifinals came from universities in Indonesia, the Philippines, and Thailand," he said on campus on Monday (25/1).

Faiq, along with team members, Hafizha Nabila Absari, Wahyu Anditya Prathama, and Vivian Prislyane Tjakra, all Industrial Engineering students, competed in the semifinal series of tests of the IECOM 2016. In the semifinal round, they had to complete basic theories of Industrial Engineering and Industrial Engineering Management in a team quiz. In the amazing race phase, they had to earn a post under limited quota to allow them doing a case under a different topic. Lastly, they did a case offered by PT. Rekayasa Industri and presented solutions. Here, five best teams were entitled to go to the final, which included UGM, UI, ITB, University of Philippines Dilliman, and Chulalongkorn University.



“In the final round, we were given a case of real problems that had affected two well-known companies in Indonesia - Unilever Indonesia and Toyota Motor Manufacturing Indonesia (TMMIN),” he said.

Faiq was proud of their achievement, which was not apart from the team ability in solving the problem comprehensively and systematically. The team also offered a creative solution based on industrial engineering to the problem. They were then entitled for a coaching money prize worth US\$1,750.

Dr. Budi Hartono, Secretary of Industrial Engineering study programme of UGM, added this victory had sustained the making achievement history. It adds to the series of achievements being made by Association of Industrial Engineering Students (HMTI) of UGM in various competitions of industrial engineering, such as being third winner of IECOM 2014 and first winner of International Project Management Challenge 2015.

“We hope that in the future there will be more achievements to be made by the students whether in national or international competitions,” he expressed his hope.

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