

UGM Vocational School Brings Together Partners for Collaboration

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Economics and Business Department in the UGM Vocational School held an iftar gathering on Friday (18/5) in the University Club Hotel UGM. It aims to bring together UGM leadership and shareholders as well as partners.

Dean of Vocational School, Wikan Sakarinto, Ph.D., in his remarks said the industry was expected to help formulate the curriculum in order that the teaching of the School meets the required competence needed by the industry, It is also expected that in the future cooperation opportunities may arise to form new study programme. For example, the cooperation for a Diploma 4 in Banking with Mandiri Bank that will materialise this year.

Attending the event were Rector of UGM, Prof. Ir. Panut Mulyono, Vice-Rector for Cooperation and Alumni, Dr. Paripurna, and partner banks.

Chairperson of Economics and Business, Dra. Ike Yuli Andjani, emphasised that there had to be link and match between institution and industry. So far, the collaboration between the Department and industry has gone well such as recruitment and apprenticeship, lecturers assistance, facilities and

infrastructure, and others.

Director of BCA, Suwignyo Budiman, said presently the society was changing due to technology so it calls for public services to customers. He added that what is most needed now is expertise in data. "We can conclude that collaboration is needed to develop human resource," he said.

Other invited guests were Aksa Mahmud, owner of Grup Bosowa and Bank Bukopin who is also member of UGM Board of Trustees. Aksa said

The success of the Vocational School in attracting the engagement of the industry was appreciated by Vice-Rector Dr. Paripurna. He said the success need to be continued and improved for the future,

"We hope there would be innovations to arise from the collaboration between industry and institution," he said.

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