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Welcome to Heriot-Watt University Malaysia

It gives me great pleasure to outline our plans and vision for this exciting new development, which will bring Heriot-Watt’s distinctive brand of teaching and research to Malaysia and create opportunity and growth within the city of Putrajaya.

Heriot-Watt University, based in the UK, has strong historic links with Malaysia. Our first Malaysian student graduated from our Edinburgh Campus in 1967 and, for several years, we have had three Academic Partners delivering our degrees in Malaysia. Today we have over 3,500 alumni in the country.

Establishing Heriot-Watt University Malaysia in Putrajaya is the beginning of an inspiring journey. Putrajaya Holdings Sdn Bhd (PJH), the master planners responsible for the development of the beautiful administrative capital of Malaysia, is working closely with the University to establish a flagship campus in Malaysia. In 2014, this purpose-built campus will offer an exceptional learning environment for teaching and research in all disciplines.

Until 2014 Heriot-Watt University Malaysia will be based in Putrajaya Holdings’ prestigious headquarters in Menara PJH. It is from this location we will be offering a range of postgraduate programmes specifically tailored to contribute to the continuing economic success of Malaysia and the South East Asia region.

Heriot-Watt is a vibrant, forward-looking university, highly regarded for the quality of our degrees and research and their professional relevance.

Our vision for Heriot-Watt University Malaysia is to create another centre of excellence, alongside our campuses in the UK and Dubai, and our focus will be on delivering the same exceptionally high quality education and cutting edge research.

As a world leader in research with a network of global collaborations and excellent university-industry links, we will build our research programmes in Malaysia, introducing research initiatives in line with the priorities expressed in the Government’s “10th Malaysian Plan”. We will also seek collaborations with other Malaysian universities and industry partners in areas relevant to the economic development of the country.

Our new campus is a significant milestone in our vision to share expertise and educational excellence across the globe. We look forward to making a real and lasting contribution to the region through the creation of Heriot-Watt University Malaysia.

Professor Steve Chapman
Principal and Vice-Chancellor of Heriot-Watt University
Saya amat berbesar hati untuk mengumumkan rancangan dan visi kami untuk perkembangan baru yang menarik ini, yang akan membawa jenama tersendiri Heriot-Watt dalam pengajaran dan penyelidikan ke Malaysia dan mencipta peluang dan pertumbuhan di dalam bandar Putrajaya.


Penubuhan Universiti Heriot-Watt di Malaysia di Putrajaya adalah perumpamaan bagi suatu perjalanan penuh inspirasi. Putrajaya Holdings Sdn Bhd (PjH) selaku perancang induk yang bertanggungjawab untuk pembangunan ibu negara pentadbiran di Malaysia sedang bekerjasama rapat dengan Universiti untuk menubuhkan sebuah kampus utama di Malaysia. Pada tahun 2014, kampus yang dibina khas ini akan menawarkan persekitaran pembelajaran yang luar biasa untuk pengajaran dan penyelidikan dalam pelbagai bidang.

Sehingga 2014, Universiti Heriot-Watt di Malaysia akan beroperasi di ibu pejabat Putrajaya Holdings yang berprestij di Menara PjH. Di lokasi inilah kami akan menawarkan pelbagai program pascasiswazah yang khusus untuk menyumbangkan kepada kejayaan berterusan ekonomi Malaysia dan rantau Asia Tenggara.

Heriot-Watt adalah universiti yang bertenaga, berpandangan ke hadapan dan dipandang tinggi untuk kualiti ijazah dan penyelidikan serta profesional mereka yang relevan.

Visi kami untuk Universiti Heriot-Watt di Malaysia adalah untuk mewujudkan satu lagi pusat kecemerlangan, di samping kampus kami di UK dan Dubai, dengan fokus kami untuk memberikan pendidikan luar biasa yang berkualiti tinggi dan penyelidikan canggih yang sama.

Sebagai pelopor utama dunia dalam penyelidikan dengan rangkaian kerjasama global dan perhubungan universiti-industri yang cemerlang, kami akan membina program penyelidikan kami di Malaysia dengan memperkenalkan inisiatif penyelidikan sejajar dengan keutamaan-keutamaan yang dinyatakan kerajaan di dalam “Rancangan Malaysia ke-10”. Kani juga akan dan mendapatkan kerjasama dengan universiti-universiti Malaysia yang lain dan rakan-rakan industri di lapangan-lapangan yang relevan kepada pembangunan ekonomi negara.
Creating Access to World Class Education

I am delighted to introduce you to Heriot-Watt University Malaysia in Putrajaya.

With full approvals from the Ministry of Higher Education and the Malaysian Qualifications Agency, our first premises will open to students in the early part of 2013, when we launch our global MBA programme from the Edinburgh Business School. Located within Menara PJH in the centre of Putrajaya, these prestigious facilities will provide an excellent environment for academic study. The MBA launch will be followed by the introduction of a range of postgraduate programmes in 2013 and 2014, such as the MSc in Energy and MSc in Construction Project Management. More programmes will follow, leading up to a major expansion in 2014/15 when we move into the purpose built campus on the lakeside in Putrajaya.

Through this exciting initiative we will offer the same high quality education currently provided in the UK and at our campus in Dubai. We will create an exceptional place for learning, enhanced by opportunities for students to transfer between campuses. Students here in Putrajaya will be able to benefit from an international experience for part of their studies, should they so wish, joining students in Edinburgh or Dubai for part of their degree programme. This reflects our goal to share knowledge across the globe and provide opportunities for students and researchers to build international relationships.

The University has been commended by the UK Quality Assurance Agency for the quality of its educational programmes and the strength of its partnership with students and our aim is to replicate this at our Malaysia Campus; providing an excellent on-campus student experience with a range of facilities and student accommodation nearby.

We welcome students from Malaysia and beyond and will offer a range of scholarships designed to encourage excellence.

Our new campus at Putrajaya will also be a platform for research activity and knowledge transfer. Heriot-Watt is a research-led university – ranked in the top 4% in the world – with a reputation for leading edge, practical research. Our focus will be on creating solutions for local businesses, collaborative working, and activity that supports the development of the Malaysian economy.

I look forward to welcoming you to Heriot-Watt University Malaysia and to working together to make a significant contribution to the education provision and research activity in the region, working with local, national and international partners to make a lasting impact.

Professor Robert Craik, Provost of Heriot-Watt University Malaysia
Saya amat berbesar hati untuk memperkenalkan anda kepada Universiti Heriot-Watt di Malaysia di Putrajaya.


Universiti ini telah diberikan pujian oleh Agensi Jaminan Kualiti UK untuk kualiti bagi program pendidikan, kekuatan perkongsian dengan pelajar dan matlamat kami untuk menirunya bagi dilaksanakan di Kampus Malaysia; menyediakan pengalaman pelajar dalam kampus yang cemerlang dengan pelbagai kemudahan dan penginapan pelajar berhampiran. Kami mengalu-alukan pelajar dari Malaysia dan luar negara serta menawarkan pelbagai biasiswa yang disediakan untuk menggalakkan kecemerlangan. Kampus baru kami di Putrajaya juga akan menjadi landasan bagi aktiviti penyelidikan dan pemindahan pengetahuan. Heriot-Watt adalah sebuah universiti terkemuka penyelidikan – dengan kedudukan dalam 4% terbaik di dunia – dengan reputasi untuk penyelidikan praktikal yang terkini. Fokus kami di UHWM adalah untuk mewujudkan penyelesaian bagi perniagaan tempatan, kerjasama pekerjaan dan aktiviti yang menyokong pembangunan ekonomi Malaysia.

Saya amat mengalu-alukan kedatangan anda ke Universiti Heriot-Watt di Malaysia dan untuk bekerja bersama-sama memberikan sumbangan penting kepada peruntukan pendidikan dan aktiviti penyelidikan di rantau ini, bekerjasama dengan rakan kongsi di peringkat tempatan, nasional dan antarabangsa untuk memberi kesan yang berpanjangan.

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Provost Universiti Heriot-Watt Malaysia
Heriot-Watt University’s name commemorates two men ahead of their time. George Heriot, the 16th century educational philanthropist and financier to King James, and James Watt, the great 18th century engineer and inventor of the steam engine. These were two successful, leading edge professionals of their time, whose skills and attitudes are embedded in the ethos of the University today.

Heriot-Watt University Malaysia will provide a modern, dynamic learning environment as a branch campus of Heriot-Watt University. Headquartered in the city of Edinburgh in the United Kingdom, Heriot-Watt is an institution with a very strong heritage.

Established in 1821, Heriot-Watt is rooted in the provision of education for working people and professionals, and the School of Arts, as it was originally known, aimed to “address societal needs by incorporating fundamental scientific thinking and research into engineering solutions”.

 Responding to the needs of business and industry continues to define Heriot-Watt University’s approach and the Malaysian campus will continue to uphold a tradition of working in partnership with the professions to develop our degrees in accordance with their needs.

Heriot-Watt’s history dates back to 1821, making it the 10th oldest university in the UK.
Our Graduates

Han is a Malaysian graduate from Shah Alam, just outside Kuala Lumpur, who studied Actuarial Science at Heriot-Watt’s Edinburgh Campus. He graduated in 2012 and is now a trainee consultant with Ernst and Young LLP in London.

“Heriot-Watt University offered me a very flexible, industry appropriate education and I felt my degree programme really prepared me to enter the workforce. I found my lecturers to be very experienced in their fields and the lectures were linked to current industry practice, so the knowledge I gained was useful and relevant to the world of work. I am currently employed as a trainee consultant with Ernst & Young LLP based in London, having joined their Life Actuarial Practice through the graduate programme.

“Heriot-Watt’s flexibility allowed me to transfer my credits from study at another university, so I didn’t lose any time which was a big help, and it facilitated an exchange year where I transferred to Canada – an experience that broadened my outlook.”

Chau Han Chun
BSc Actuarial Science

11,900
Students currently studying Heriot-Watt degree programmes outside the UK in 150 countries.
Heriot-Watt Reputation

• Heriot-Watt University enjoys an established reputation for world class teaching and practical, leading edge research and prides itself on being recognised in the top 4% of universities worldwide.

• As Scotland’s international university, Heriot-Watt boasts the largest international student cohort in Scotland, two international campuses, and a network of partner universities and colleges in over 30 different countries worldwide.

• It was the first British university to open a campus in Dubai International Academic City in 2005, providing high quality British education through programmes tailored to meet the demands of the United Arab Emirates employment market. In 2012 we opened a new purpose-built campus able to accommodate over 3,000 students representing an investment of £35 million.

• Heriot-Watt is one of the top British universities for business and industry, ranked by the Guardian newspaper in the UK Top 20 and 4th in Scotland.

• Many programmes offered are ranked in the top 10 in the UK for their quality, and degrees are career-focused to maximise our graduates’ employability.

• Edinburgh Business School’s flexible approach has made its MBA Programme the largest in the world.

• Heriot-Watt is one of the world’s leading universities for teaching and research in Actuarial Mathematics and Statistics.

• In the most recent UK Research Assessment Exercise, the research programmes at Heriot-Watt’s Institute of Petroleum Engineering in the UK were recognised as of international standard, with 65% assessed as ‘world leading’ or ‘internationally excellent’, reinforcing 20 years of top international performance.

• Heriot-Watt has developed a distinctive brand of learning and teaching which nurtures leadership. It equips graduates with the skills to achieve their ambitions and to perform at a high level, which helps them to develop into the leaders of tomorrow.

• The University is enterprising, innovative and characterised by providing solutions to key issues facing modern society. It is one of the UK’s leading institutions for cutting edge, applied research and is recognised internationally as a centre for high calibre activity in science, technology and business.

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Celine is a Malaysian graduate who studied for her BBA degree on a distance learning basis.

“I studied my Heriot-Watt degree part-time in Malaysia, through the distance learning programme, and I can honestly say that it changed my life! Undertaking it was a big challenge – I was working full time and raising a family – and I very nearly gave up but Heriot-Watt offer very flexible programmes for working adults that made it possible for me to continue, and eventually complete, my BBA.

“What I feel I really benefited from was the practical knowledge and all the case studies the programme covered. These have proved incredibly useful to my career and have definitely increased my employability. That knowledge helped me to impress the right people! Ultimately, it’s led to my current role at Tricor Group of Companies where I am the Business Development Manager for the Malaysia corporate office. I do feel proud of what I have achieved, particularly as a working mother, and my Heriot-Watt degree played a pivotal role in building my career.”
Heriot-Watt Global Vision

A key characteristic of Heriot-Watt University is partnership and the sharing of expertise through global research and teaching collaborations. The University has a strong international profile with a reputation for world class education, currently delivering Heriot-Watt degree programmes outside the UK to 11,900 students in 150 countries. The University has a distinctive approach and is renowned for the quality of its education and research, its links to business and preparation of graduates who meet the needs of global industry.

In 2005, Heriot-Watt was the first university to establish a campus in the Dubai International Academic City. Invited by the government because of its particular strengths in engineering and reputation for quality, Heriot-Watt University now has around 3,000 students at its Dubai Campus on programmes in disciplines such as engineering, management, the built environment, textiles design and fashion. Students come from the United Arab Emirates, the Gulf region and beyond.

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The vision for Heriot-Watt University Malaysia is to provide a state-of-the-art teaching, learning and research environment with an exceptional range of facilities for study and student life. When the campus is fully developed it aims to support up to 4,000 students, who together will form a vibrant, diverse and multi-cultural community.

Through the Heriot-Watt brand of teaching and learning we aim to foster graduates who will have well developed, career related skills and a real competitive edge, maximising their employment prospects in their chosen field.

Our aim is to develop Heriot-Watt University Malaysia as a dynamic, exciting place for collaboration, partnership working and research activity, reflecting our reputation for world renowned knowledge transfer and high quality research.

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Our Putrajaya Campus

Putrajaya provides a superb, strategic location for the global development of Heriot-Watt University Malaysia through the creation of this new campus. A modern, thriving and beautifully laid out city, with excellent connections to Malaysia’s capital, Kuala Lumpur, it offers a high quality, appealing environment for academic study.

- Heriot-Watt University Malaysia is the University’s second international campus, providing exceptional, purpose-built facilities on a stunning lakeside location on completion in 2014.

- Until 2014, Heriot-Watt University Malaysia will be based in Putrajaya Holdings’ prestigious headquarters in Menara PjH, while the purpose-built campus, which is already under construction, is being built.

- It is from this inspiring location overlooking the lake that we will be offering an initial range of postgraduate programmes specifically tailored to contribute to the continuing economic success of Malaysia and the South East Asia region.

- On completion, Heriot-Watt University Malaysia will provide a state-of-the-art teaching and learning environment where students will enjoy a very high quality learning experience.

- Characterised by a diverse, multi-cultural community and an international outlook, it will facilitate a dynamic exchange of ideas, knowledge and learning.

- Purpose-built, the campus will have the most up to date specification with flexibly designed teaching spaces, high quality electronic teaching and learning resources, informal study spaces, an extensive library and highly accessible IT facilities.

- Eco-friendly and sustainably designed, the campus will be characterised by high environmental standards and minimal energy use.

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- Engineering
- Built Environment
- Business Management
- Finance
- Textiles Design and Fashion
- Mathematics and Computer Science
- Life Sciences

In addition, the University will bring specialist programmes in niche areas such as:

- Petroleum Engineering
- Energy and Renewable Energy Engineering
- Actuariai Science
- Logistics and Supply Chain Management

Heriot-Watt delivers world-class, innovative research which is relevant to economic growth and development. Our Malaysia Campus will be a high calibre centre for research, and our activity will be focused on the needs of Malaysia and the surrounding region.

We are already engaged with Malaysian industry and professional bodies in the region and the new campus will provide a dynamic platform for the creation of further research partnerships. We will also look to collaborate with local universities and organisations to deliver research studentships and develop other funded research activities.

Examples of the areas we expect to engage in include sustainable development, biotechnologies, energy, water resource management, smart textiles and interior environments. Our research and knowledge transfer activities in Malaysia will reflect the Malaysian Government’s ‘Economic Transformation Programme’ covering a number of its National Key Economic Areas, such as:

- Agriculture
- Business Services
- Communications
- Education
- Electronics and Electrical
- Financial Services
- Healthcare
- Oil, Gas and Energy

Heriot-Watt already enjoys established relationships with several international companies head-quartered in Malaysia, particularly in areas such as electronics, photonics, marine, and oil and gas. We will continue to build these relationships and work to develop an increased network of partners linked to our Malaysia Campus.

Since the early 1990s we have built sustainable academic partnerships with institutions across the globe. Our intention is to work with universities and other higher education institutions in the surrounding region, particularly with those from ASEAN countries, and to build a wide range of effective partnerships that deliver real benefits for business and industry in Malaysia.
Our Graduates

Alison Goligher’s impressive career began after she gained a postgraduate Master of Engineering degree in Petroleum Engineering from Heriot-Watt University.

Following graduation Alison joined Schlumberger Oilfield Services, working for the company for over 17 years, and rising to become their Vice President and General Manager for Cased Hole Services at Schlumberger’s Wireline headquarters in Paris.

Alison then moved to Shell E&P Europe. Initially she looked after the Corporate Support portfolio based in Rijswijk. She moved on to the position of VP Technical for the Middle East, based in Dubai, and then became VP Production Directorate, taking responsibility for Shell’s operated assets in South East Asia.

Her tremendous commitment to the industry was recognised through an Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE), in the 2005 New Year’s Honours List, for her services to the oil and gas industry.

Alison and Heriot-Watt University have maintained strong links: the University awarded her an Honorary Degree – in recognition of her commitment to the education of young professionals in the oil and gas industry, particularly young female engineers – and she is currently a board member of the University’s Institute of Petroleum Engineering.

88,000

Number of current alumni spread across the globe.
Heriot-Watt Alumni

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Founded in 1854, The Watt Club is the oldest alumni network in the UK and this global network is very important to us. Lifetime membership is automatic upon graduation and is free of charge. Malaysia has the biggest group of Heriot-Watt graduates outside of the UK and we greatly look forward to the growth of this group as our new campus in Putrajaya becomes established.

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