Fundamental Research Grant Scheme Phase 1, 2010

The Ministry of Higher Education has allocated a fund of RM200 million under the 9th Malaysia Plan (RMK-9) to implement the Fundamental Research Grant Scheme (FRGS). The research fund would be allocated among the higher education institutions in Malaysia.

Fundamental research refers to basic research which would be carried out for a specific period of time, continuous and does not result in any benefits in the short term. It aims to encourage development of ideas, concepts and new theories which would serve as the catalysts for new findings, development of knowledge and innovative and latest creation.

The priority fields of fundamental research under the FRGS include:
A. Pure sciences
B. Applied sciences
C. Engineering and technology
D. Medical sciences (including clinical studies)
E. Social sciences and humanities
F. Arts
G. Natural sciences and national heritage (geology, archaeology, taxonomy, biodiversity, ecology etc).

INTI-UC is proud to announce that two groups of INTI-UC researchers have been successful in their applications for research grant under the FRGS. This achievement reflects the recognition given to INTI-UC as an IPTS active in research. The two groups of researchers include:

Faculty of Business and Accountancy

1. Associate Professor Dr Lau Chee Kwong (project leader)
2. Ms Chin Sze Kim
3. Mr Song Kuok Thong.

The team was granted RM20,000 to carry out research in Microfinance.

From left: Mr. Song, Ms. Chin, and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Lau
Ms Yeoh Ei Leen, Faculty of Business and Accountancy

Ms Yeoh, along with Associate Professor Dr Jennifer Chan Kim Lian (project leader) of Universiti Malaysia Sabah, received a research grant of RM40,000 to carry out a research in Low cost airlines in Malaysia: Price, perceived value, customer satisfaction and repurchase intention.

Fundamental Research Grant Scheme Phase 2, 2010

For INTI-UC researchers who are interested in applying for research grant under the FRGS, please get ready with your research proposal for the 2nd Phase 2010 FRGS. According to the best of our information, the 2nd phase 2010 FRGS will be open for application in June/July 2010.