SELAMAT DATANG
TIMBALAN PENGARAH, PUSAT DIALOG PERADABAN


Pusat Dialog Peradaban mengucapkan Selamat Bertugas, semoga dengan adanya beliau, Pusat Dialog Peradaban akan terus berfungsi demi kecemerlangan Universiti Malaya.

SELAMAT DATANG SARJANA PELAWAT ANTARABANGSA
PUSAT DIALOG PERADABAN

Professor Dr. Alastair Gunn, Waikato University, New Zealand (4 Sept–15 Dis 2006)

I chose to spend my period of sabbatical leave at the Centre because I thought that UM in general and the centre in particular would provide a congenial and supportive environment for several projects I wished to develop. Also, I have known the centre and Prof. Azizan for many years and I looked forward to working with her. The Centre has certainly kept me busy! I am now half way through my visit and by mid-December, when I return to New Zealand for two months, I will have written drafts of four monographs and two articles on the topic of integrity, dialogue, sustainability, bioethics and environmental ethics, and given eight public lectures and seminar presentations on these topics and also on engineering ethics and American Mass Media. (Bersambung m/s 2)
Pusat Dialog Peradaban mengalu-alukan pelawat-pelawat Antarabangsanya. Demi kecemere- langan Universiti Malaya, Pusat Dialog Peradaban ingin memastikan jaringan yang terbina bersama setiap da- ripada mereka ini akan membuka berbagai pintu dan peluang baru bagi Pusat Dialog Peradaban mengem-bangkan bidang dialog peradaban yang mampu memberi sumbangan penting di dalam agenda pemerkenaan modal insan kerana kapasiti berdialog merupakan kaedah alternatif yang berpotensi me- nyelasaikan berbagai masalah yang dihadapi kemanusiaan hari ini. Pusat juga berharap lawatan oleh dua kum- pulan pelajar iaitu lawatan Universiti Tsukuba, Jepun dan Universiti National Singapore akan turut mendukung hasrat

(Sambungan dari m/s 1)

Visiting Associate Professor, Dr. Stefan Bucher, Tamkang University (2 Okt. 2006 – 31 Dis 2006)

Dr. Stefan Bucher, born 1960 in Karlsruhe, Germany, studied Philosophy and Linguistics at the German universities of Konstanz and Muenster, and received his PhD (magna cum laude) in 1989.

He has been a member of the Hong Kong Examinations Authority and a (Board) Member of various academic organizations.

He also serves on the advisory boards for academic publications as well as for NGOs. His publications are concerned among others with intercultural learning, philosophy of language and culture, cultural aspects of globalization and human rights. He came to the Centre for Civilisa- tional Dialogue during a sabbatical in order to do research on globalization and clash vs. dialogue among civilizations.
RESEARCH ASSOCIATE, CENTRE FOR CIVILISATIONAL DIALOGUE –
VERONICA ROVOLETTO, OCTOBER 2006 – NOVEMBER 2006

“I came to the Centre because I’m conducting a PhD in Philosophy in the University of Barcelona and the topic of my PhD thesis is Cultures, Ethics and globalization in Malaysia. Previously I have been working as Italian Lecturer in University of Malaya where I had the opportunity of meeting people from all over the world and the possibility of teaching my own language and culture to the local students, observing the importance of making people aware of diversity and identity inside cultures. My interest for this multi-ethnic country started in that occasion, so I decided to make a comparison between Eastern and Western values, analyzing the level of integration, or lack of integration, that these two parts of the world have experienced because of globalization. Considering that this is a worldwide phenomenon that is moving from West towards East, my main object is looking at the particular case of Malaysia, a multi-ethnic nation that has been able, in many situations, to keep its identity and autonomy when the homogenizing aspects of Globalization and capitalism risked to level the distinctiveness of the cultures present in this country.

My study will be conducted under a philosophical and ethical perspective, considering if a global ethics, as a global market, is possible. For this purpose I will spend one year working as researcher in the Centre for Civilisational Dialogue, writing articles comparing and discussing different ideas, in order to arrive at a positive and fruitful dialogue between cultures.”

(Veronica, 24.11.2006)
UNIVERSITY SCHOLAR PROGRAM (USP) NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE

Introduction
The University Scholars Programme (USP) is a premier undergraduate programme at the National University of Singapore (NUS) designed to develop the intellectual, leadership, and personal potential of promising students. Formed in October 2000, the USP envisions to be a globally acclaimed talent programme that produces leaders of high intellect and strong moral conscience. The USP offers students a rigorous broad-based education, and exciting local and overseas research and beyond-the-classroom learning opportunities. The USP education goes beyond professional or specialized training, and lays the foundation for life-long intellectual inquiry and personal growth. Actively using cutting-edge methodologies and developing innovative educational approaches, USP aims to foster active learners who can:

- Think and write critically, clearly, and effectively;
- Make path-breaking connections within a discipline and among diverse disciplines;
- Excel in a global context; and
- Reflect deeply on themselves and their place in society.

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Students in the USP concurrently enrol in an undergraduate degree programme with one of our six partner faculties, namely, Arts and Social Sciences, Business, Computing, Design and Environment, Engineering, and Science. They read about 30% of their modules in USP. Applicants to USP are assessed and admitted on the basis of academic and co-curricular achievements, an essay, and an interview. Upon successful completion of the Programme’s requirements and an honour’s programme at NUS, students will graduate with an honours degree and a certificate that recognises them as University Scholars.

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LAWATAN SAMBIL BELAJAR KUMPULAN AKADEMI DAN PASCA SISWAZAH UNIVERSITI TSUKUBA, JEPUN

Pada 29 Nov. hingga 3 Disember 2006, sekali lagi sekumpulan pelajar pasca siswa dari Universiti Tsukuba, Jepun akan melawat Pusat Dialog Peradaban, Universiti Malaya bertajuk “The Globalisation of Language and Culture” pada 17 Nov. 2006 yang lalu.

SYARAHAN UMUM “THE GLOBALISATION OF LANGUAGE AND CULTURE” OLEH PROF. MADYA DR. STEFAN BUCHER—17 NOV. 2006
Abstrak syarahan

Freedom of choice and expression are not alien concepts in Islam. On the contrary, they are integral to the religion right from its birth. The failures of Muslims and Muslim countries in upholding those freedoms have been used by elements imical to Islam to denigrate the religion when in actual fact those failures originate from Muslims and Muslim governments straying from the true teachings of the religion. The lecture will also cover similarities.


Terima kasih Pusat juga kepada YBhg. Profesor Dr. Dato’ Mohd. Amin Jalaluddin, Timbalan Naib Canselor (Akademik & Pengantarabangsaan) yang telah sudi menyampaikan kata alu-aluan walau pun beliau dijadualkan berangkat ke Dubai pada petang tersebut.

SYARAHAN UMUM “THE CONCEPT OF FREEDOM IN ISLAM” OLEH DR. AZZAM TAMIMI, DIRECTOR INSTITUTE OF ISLAMIC POLITICAL THOUGHT, LONDON – 20 NOV. 2006


Ceramah ini telah disampaikan oleh Profesor Dr. Alastair Gunn, Waikato University, New Zealand yang merupakan Profesor Pelawat di Pusat Dialog Peradaban. Ianya telah dipengerusikan oleh Profesor Madya Dr. Sumiani Yusof yang merupakan Penyelaras Alam Sekitar, Jabatan Kejuruteraan Awam, Universiti Malaya. Seramai 30 orang telah menghadiri syarahan umum ini yang telah diadakan di Bilik Kuliah 6, Fakulti Kejuruteraan, Universiti Malaya. Pusat Dialog Peradaban, dengan ini mengambil kesempatan untuk mengucapkan terima kasih kepada Jabatan atas segala kerjasama yang diberikan.

Abstrak syarahan

Engineering is the oldest profession, with the oldest code of ethics. Engineers have shaped society from the earliest days of civilization and are responsible for the infrastructure and the safety and comfort that the rest of us take for granted. Most people have no idea what engineers do and would be astonished to know that not just their safety and comfort but their very lives depend on engineers. This places an enormous burden of responsibility on engineers. Traditionally, engineers saw themselves as having obligations only to their clients or employers; over the last few decades, they have become increasingly aware of responsibilities to a range of stakeholders. This presentation considers the nature and scope of engineers’ social and environmental responsibilities, with particular emphasis on New Zealand.
AKTIVITI-AKTIVITI BULAN DESEMBER 2007


1 Dis. 2006 Syarahan Umum bertajuk “Bioethics – Issues For Malaysia” oleh Profesor Dr. Alastair S. Gunn

8 Dis. 2006 Seminar Sehari “Perspectives on Inter-Cultural Dialogue”.

17-19 Dis. 2006 Lawatan Sambil Belajar National University of Singapore di bawah Program “Study Programme of Contemporary Muslim Society: Between Tradition and Progress”.

15 Dis. 2006 Wacana Mengenai Pusat Dialog Peradaban

BUKU/MONOGRAP TERBITAN PUSAT DIALOG PERADABAN

Interreligious Dialogue in Malaysia (Dialog antara Agama di Malaysia) RM 15.00

Dialog Intraperadaban Melayu (Wagas Islam, Warisan Melayu dan Weltanschauung Malaysia) RM 20.00

Jihad : Peaceful Striving & Combative Struggle (RM12.00)

The Islamization of Yoga in the Amratakunda Translations (RM12.00)

Bagi memperbaiki lagi Buletin ini, kami amat mengalu-alukan sebarang komen atau cadangan.
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