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Happy 38th anniversary BLA

BLA@38 SEMINAR ON BRUNEI DIGITAL LIBRARIES: WHERE ARE WE NOW?



The Brunei Darussalam Library Association (BLA) in collaboration with Universiti Brunei Darussalam Library organised a one day seminar on Brunei Digital Libraries: Where are we now? to coincide with BLA 38th anniversary.



It was officially opened by YM Assoc Professor Pg Dr Mohamad Iskandar bin Pg Hj Petra, Assistant Vice Chancellor(Academic Affairs), Universiti Brunei Darussalam. It was held in the Ruang Bicara Minda, Universiti Brunei Darussalam Library. Seven speakers selected from key universities, shared their digital libraries experiences post Covid-19, the Wawasan Office of PMO talked about Brunei Vision 2035, and a content creator spoke on producing visual creative works using the media technology.



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BLA wishes to thank the Guest of Honour, The Co-Chairpersons, The Acting Chief Librarian Universiti Brunei Darussalam, All Working Committee members from BLA and UBD, Notable speakers, participants. the mass media and Universiti Brunei Darussalam Library for this collaboration in the successful conduct of the seminar



FROM LEFT: Universiti Brunei Darussalam Assistant Vice Chancellor (Academic Affairs) Associate Professor Pengiran Dr. Mohamad Iskandar bin Pengiran Haji Petra and Brunei Darussalam Library Association President Nellie binti Dato Paduka Hj Sunny launching the seminar, and participants at the event. PHOTO: AOB MOOR

University seminar focuses on future of digital libraries

Add Noor

Nellie binti Dato Paduka Hj Sunny launched the seminar. Seven speakers from key universities, schools and government departments as well as Institute of Brunei Technical Education Office for Women Brunei 2035 at the Prime Minister's Office shared insights on Brunei Vision 2035 while a content creator spoke on producing visual creative works using media technology.

The seminar aimed to revisit the digital library initiatives post-pandemic as COVID-19 had accelerated the development of digital and remote access to meet the needs of library patrons for learning, research and teaching.

Eighty nine librarians from various universities, schools and government departments as well as Institute of Brunei Technical Education Sultan Saiful Rijal Campus' Library information science students and educators were present.

The seminar concluded with a resolution on the way forward, calling for standards and guidelines on infrastructure, manpower, technology and financial to support the future expansion of digital information.



Tinjau inisiatif perpustakaan digital

Antara yang hadir pada seminar tersebut. (SAMBAR KANAN) Salah seorang pembertanggung-jawaban menyempakan sambutan.

OLEH MURDHYANAH S.

BANGKAR SELIN BEGAWAN, 19 FEB—Sempena ulang tahunnya yang ke-38, Persekutuan Perpustakaan Negara Brunei Darussalam (BLA) dengan kerjasama Universiti Brunei Darussalam (UBD) telah menganjurkan seminar mengenai 'Future Digital Libraries: Where are We Now?' di Ruang Bicara Minda, Perpustakaan UBD hari ini.

Hadir selaku tetamu kehormat bagi merasmikan seminar bertajuk yang bertema 'salam Peringatan 38th Kampus Duta (Ehsan Asasend)', UBD, Profesor Mulia Pengiran Dr. Mohamad Iskandar bin Pengiran Haji Petra.

Seminar kemunculan ialah memulakan dengan inisiatif perpustakaan digital pasca COVID-19 yang telah memperkasakan akses digital dan jarak jauh bagi keperluan pembelajaran, penyelidikan, penyediaan dan pengedaran.

Menurut seminar berkenaan, hal ini menggariskan dan merencanakan agenda ke hadapan dengan penemuan-penemuan baharu berkaitan perkhidmatan perpustakaan digital termasuklah wawasan Brunei 2035 dan pengalaman menguruskan kandungan berasaskan e-selip menggunakan teknologi media.

Semasa 90 orang diistakawani oleh gabungan universiti, sekolah, jabatan-jabatan kerajaan dan golongan pelajar serta maklumat perpustakaan dari Institut Pendidikan Teknikal Brunei (ITE) Kampus Sultan Saiful Rijal serta warga persekitaran telah menghadiri seminar tersebut.

Seminar telah diakhiri dengan sesi resolusi bagi keperluan pasukan dan garis panduan mengenai infrastruktur, tenaga kerja, kewangan, pemeliharaan kewangan untuk membolehkan pengembang maklumat digital pada masa hadapan.

Profesor Mulia Pengiran Dr. Mohamad Iskandar hadir sebagai tetamu kehormat bagi merasmikan seminar tersebut.

OPENING CEREMONY

Welcoming Remarks
by Pn Hjh Pusparaini Hj Thani, Co Chairperson Seminar
At the Opening Ceremony of BLA @38 Seminar on Brunei Digital Library: Where are we now? 19 th February 2024 at Ruang Bicara Minda UBD Library



Bismillahirrahmanirrahim Assalamualaikum Warahmaatullahi Wabarakatuh,

Yang Mulia, Associate Professor Pengiran Dr. Mohamad Iskandar bin Pengiran Haji Petra, Assistant Vice Chancellor (Academic Affairs), Universiti Brunei Darussalam, our Guest of Honour,
Yang Mulia, Puan Hjh Nellie binti Dato Paduka Hj Sunny, President of the Brunei Darussalam Library Association or BLA,
Yang Mulia, Tuan Hj. Awg Mohd. Yussuf bin Pehin Orang Kaya Indera Dewa Dato Paduka Hj. Awg. Musa, Acting Chief Librarian Universiti Brunei Darussalam,
Notable Speakers, 2 Seminar participants, Distinguished Guests, BLA Exco Members, UBD Library Staff, Seminar Committee Members, Ladies and Gentleman

It is with great pleasure to welcome our Guest of Honour and everyone to the official opening of, THE SEMINAR ON DIGITAL LIBRARIES: WHERE ARE WE NOW? Today, marks a significant milestone for BLA in its collaborative effort with UBD Library in organising this seminar on a topic which is dear to our hearts that is, on Digital Libraries.

This is in conjunction with BLA's 38 th Anniversary that falls on 10th of +March 2024. For our record, Alhamdulillah there are a total 87 participants who registered for this seminar. Well done and we thank you for your esteemed participation. As for the speakers, we will be listening to 7 speakers as we can see from the programme book. We have selected key libraries in Brunei Darussalam to come together to explore and share with us the transformative power of digital libraries 3 together with a speaker from the Wawasan Brunei Secretariat Office and a Freelance Content Creator to deliberate their views on related to this topic. Thank you and we appreciate your kind acceptance to talk in this seminar.

We will conclude the seminar later this afternoon with a discussion in our Way Forward session. We hope you will stay on until the end to collaborate and share our ideas together after listening to all speakers. After 4 years, how has the COVID-19 pandemic impacted digital libraries. Has it made digital libraries more advance or slow in +its development. - Has it cause an increase in demand on digital resources ?Hence due to this, libraries have expanded digital access, expanded their digital collections and services to accommodate remote users, offering access to e-books, audio books, digital archives, and online databases. Perhaps, remote access by libraries have also increased. They have begun to provide virtual reference services, online programming, and digital literacy resources to support remote learning and research needs. 4 Hence this leads to technological advancements where Libraries may invest in new technologies to enhance digital access and user experience, such as improved search interfaces, mobile apps, and digital preservation tools. Overall, while the pandemic has posed challenges for digital libraries, it has also accelerated the adoption of digital technologies and highlighted the importance of digital access to information and resources. Thus we must understand the bigger picture to support the digital information expansion. The role of the relevant government agencies and the information technology providers in supporting the digital platform. We hope we can listen to key factors from the various speakers touching on, - Digital Infrastructure Development - Software Development - Metadata creation - Integration Services of various library systems and databases- Training and technical support to library staff to ensure they have the necessary skills and knowledge to effectively manage and maintain digital library resources and technologies. 5 Lastly, where are digital libraries being placed under the Wawasan Brunei 2035. This is also a good question.

Finally, let me once again record BLA's thanks and appreciation notably to our Guest of Honour Yang Mulia Associate Professor Pengiran Dr. Mohamad Iskandar bin Pengiran Haji Petra, Assistant Vice Chancellor (Academic Affairs), Universiti Brunei Darussalam, Yang Mulia Tuan Hj. Awg Mohd. Yussuf bin Pehin Orang Kaya Indera Dewa Dato Paduka Hj. Awg. Musa, Acting Chief Librarian Universiti Brunei Darussalam, And all UBD Library Staff for their amazing support and cooperation, the notable Seminar Speakers, the very eager Participants and also not forgetting our marvellous team the BLA Exco and Committee Members for their tireless support and last but not least our hardworking BLA President Puan HjH Nellie binti Dato Paduka Hj Sunny.

Wabillahi Taufik Walhidayah Wasalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh.

Opening Speech

by Yang Mulia, Associate Professor Pengiran Dr. Mohamad Iskandar Bin Pengiran Haji Petra, Assistant Vice Chancellor (Academic Affairs), Universiti Brunei Darussalam, at Ruang Bicara Minda, UBD library, 19 February 2024



Puan HjH Puspa Raini Hj Thani, Chairperson
Puan Nellie Dato Paduka Hj Sunny, BLA President
Hj Awg Mohd Yussuf POKID DP Hj Musa, UBD Acting Chief Librarian
honoured speakers, guests and participants

Bismillahirrahmanirrahim Assalamualaikum Warahmaatullahi Wabarakatuh,

It gives me a great pleasure to be invited to open the BLA@38 seminar on BRUNEI DIGITAL LIBRARIES. WHERE ARE WE NOW?

i also take this opportunity in wishing BLA its 38th anniversary this year and to welcome over 87 librarians here this morning

i am also happy that the BLA has chosen to organise this seminar in partnership with UBD library, two great minds working together on issues that affect libraries and librarians and UBD look forward to more library events in the future.

I understand that this seminar aims to re visit the Brunei digital libraries initiatives post Covid-19 and to take stock of moving forward after this. Both the stakeholders and patrons cannot wait to see the next chapter where our libraries can provide the best services with the state of the art technology.

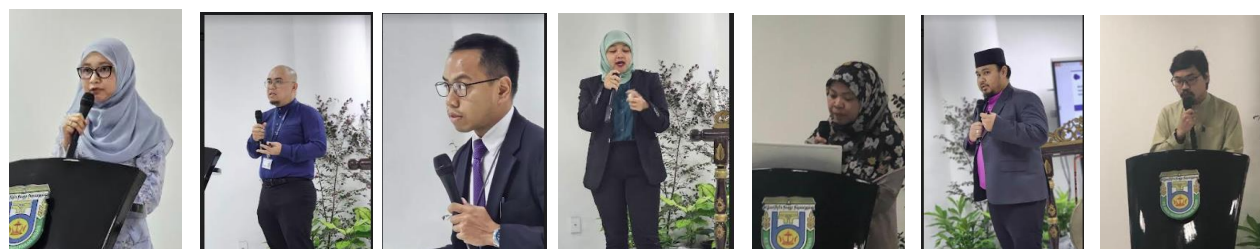
Many events have happened since post Covid-19 with the digital transformation. We are now stepping into the digital world that gives us enormous possibilities where knowledge management is now a huge business in the academic, economic and business sectors and where libraries role is imminent in the growth of a knowledge based society in line with Brunei Vision 2035 and to spur high quality research and scholarly pursuits and foster professional development of manpower.

I congratulate the organisers for this important seminar and I wish you all a successful seminar. Wabillahi Taufik Walhidayah WasalamualaikumWarahmatullahi Wabarakatuh.



OUR NOTABLE SPEAKERS

- Brunei Vision 2035 by Dy Amalina Awg Tengah, Wawasan Office
- Personalized Learning Journeys: Navigating Digital Libraries by Aw Ahmad Nabil Sulaiman . UBD Library
- Digital Expansion Initiative at UTB Library : Mapping for the Future by Aw Mohd Hafizuddin Hj Abu Hasrah, UTB Library
- Content Creating with apakanfizah by Dy Nurul Hafizah Hj Awg Mohamad, apakanfizah Content Creator
- Title: e-Fihrist UNISSA Library Management System : User satisfaction study on the performance and features of the system by Puan Hjh Norhainah Moxsin, UNISSA Library
- Digital.initiative in PIBD: Navigating The Future: The Digital Transformation by Aw Mohammad Hilme Mohd Yahya
- Transformasi Digital Perpustakaan DBP by Aw Yadey Hazabillah Hj Mohd Zain



SUMMING UP AND SEMINAR RESOLUTUONS



Pg Hj Mohd Shahminan Pg Hj Sulaiman began with an introduction to the current scenerio based on the speakers presentation..

The COVIC-19 pandemic has accelerated the move towards in Education Vision where learning, teaching and research are primarily delivered online, fully exploring the potential of the latest digital technologies such as Artificial Intellegence, augmented reality and virtual reality. By looking back to some of the core affordances of information technologies and changing social and economic structures through the ages up to the present time, is demonstrated that the library fuction is now more important than ever. Many of the structures we have in place are still largely those created to support the printing press. The library is uniquely positioned to provide many of the supporting structures that are critical to the success of more hybrid models of teaching, learning and research online. Will the range of online services introduced during the lockdown be a permanent feature? Will additional online services be required? Will there be a move back to some of the more

traditional face-to-face services? Today!s seminar looks to envision digital libraries post pandemic.

He then led a lively and thought provoking discussion with inputs and idess from the floor.

In summary Five areas of main concerns were agreed upon as follows.

Technology, manpower empowerment, financial empowerment, standards procedure and guidelines and challenges, issues and future vision.

UCAPAN PENUTUP

**OLEH PG NORAINI PG IDRIS, PENERUS BERSAMA SEMINAR
DI MAJLIS PEMUTUPAN SEMINAR BRUNEI DIGITAL LIBRARIES: WHERE WE ARE NOW?
19 Feb 2024 di Ruang Bicara Minda, Perpustakaan UBD**



Yang Mulia Puan Nellie Dato Paduka Haji Sunny, Presiden Brunei Library Association.

Tuan Haji Muhammad Yussuf, Pemangku Ketua Pustakawan selaku Penasihat Bersama Seminar.

Puan Hjh Pusparaini, Pengerusi, peserta seminar dan Ahli Jawatankuasa yang saya muliakan.

Assalamualaykum. Salam Sejahtera

Seminar Brunei Digital Libraries ini, merupakan kerjasama pertama di antara Perpustakaan UBD dengan Brunei Library Association. Tema yg dipilih juamerupakan cerminan situasi dunia kepustakawanan di mana kitani berada hari ini.

Yang membezakan di antara kita cuma peringkat di mana tahap kita masing-masing berada sekarang.

Koleksi fizikal yang semakin cenderung menjadi lebih sedikit, Namun, walaupun pengguna tidak hadir secara fizikal tapi Perpustakaan hendaklah sentiasa tetapdekat dengan Pengguna, dengan kecekapan perkhidmatan yang membolehkan kita menjangkau pengguna atau kita menjadi reachable/accessible kepada Pengguna di mana pun mereka berada dan pada bila-bila masa.

Seperti yang disebutkan di dalam taklimat pagi ini berkenaan Wawasan 2035, Perpustakaan adalah selaras atau in line, dalam membangun dan mendokong matlamat pertama iaitu ke arah Rakyat yang berpendidikan, berkemahiran tinggi dan berkerjaya. Sukat2 yang dibuat dalam menilai kualiti guru atau kualiti pengajaran dan pembelajaran, Standard Literasi, dokongan kepada Pembelajaran Sepanjang Hayat setentunya bersandar atau sangat perlu kepada bahan sumber rujukan yang berkualiti, dalam erti kata lain, adalah penting untuk memastikan kualiti Perpustakaan, kualiti Penyedia maklumat, sumber rujukan, kualiti tenaga kerja yang merupakan tumpuan rujukan. Di sinilah kedudukan kita, peranan kita sebagai Pustakawan di dalam wawasan 2035.

Keberkesanan Perpustakaan juga bergantung kepada kemampuan Perpustakaan untuk mengintegrasikan teknologi terkini dalam perkhidmatannya. Ini mungkin merangkumi pembangunan platform digital, peningkatan dalam perkhidmatan dalam talian, dan pendekatan inovatif dalam menyampaikan maklumat.

Kebanyakan Perpustakaan di Brunei memang sudah Go Digital dalam sebahagian perkhidmatan mereka, kita sudah menyediakan bahan sumber elektronik di dalam talian, menyediakan kelas kemahiran maklumat, chat with librarian, dan lain-lain. Kita hanya perlu lebih dinamik dalam mempelbagaikan pendekatan dan penyampaian perkhidmatan kepada pengguna kitani. Kita juga perlu selarikan kemajuan perpustakaan konvensional dan digital secara beriringan. Para Pustakawan harus bijak memanfaatkan kemajuan teknologi, transformative force seperti AI, tidak harus dilihat sebagai saingan akan tetapi ianya patut kita raikan sebagai assistance, alat bantu atau nilai tambah. Rajinkan diri mempelajari apa jua inisiatif yg telah diterokai oleh Perpustakaan luar negara, seperti citizen science, satu isu yang sering dibincangkan sekarang dan dan lain-lain.

Suatu hari Brunei Darussalam akan mempunyai perpustakaan tanpa buku, sebuah Digital Library, seperti yang sudah wujud di negara-negara jiran seperti Butterworth Digital Library Penang, Perpustakaan Digital Kedah, UITM dan banyak lagi. Ini setentunya memerlukan kolaborasi dgn berbagai pihak seperti syarikat telekomunikasi bagi penyediaan jalur lebar, dan lain-lain.

Kita perlu lebih bersedia mendepani isu dan cabaran seperti yang disebutkan di dalam penyampaian hari ini, iaitu dari segi hak cipta dan hak harta intelektual, pemuliharaan, keselamatan data dan meningkatkan kualiti tenaga kerja.

Terima kasih untuk Ahli Jawatan kuasa kerja dari Brunei Library Association dan Staff Perpustakaan UBD di atas kerjasama biskita menjayakan seminar hari ini. Terima kasih khususnya untuk kepada Puan Nellie untuk peluang kerjasama ini.

We look forward to more collaboration dengan mana-mana pihak lain untuk sama-sama menaiktaraf dan memajukan setiap peringkat pendidikan di Brunei Darussalam, bermula dari Perpustakaan di peringkat pendidikan sekolah rendah ke menengah, ke institusi pengajian tinggi, universiti, merangkumi penyedia maklumat di jabatan-jabatan kerajaan, perpustakaan khusus dan perpustakaan umum, supaya kita para pustakawan akan boleh berkembang jauh bersama-sama di semua peringkat tanpa ada yang ketinggalan. Khususnya bagi staff Perpustakaan generasi muda, the younger generation, the future digital librarian, semoga apa yg dikongsikan hari ini akan menaiktaraf pengetahuan biskita, akan membuka minda dan meluaskan fikiran, kita akan sentiasa belajar dari satu sama lain, bersama kitani improve pengetahuan dan kemahiran yang ada dalam diri kitani supaya kita akan sentiasa bejalan seiring, kekal relevan di dalam kepesatan teknologi dan kemajuan dunia pendidikan.

Wabillahi Taufik Walhidayah Wasalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh.

PRESENTATION OF TOKENS TO THE SPEAKERS

Tokens and Certificates were presented to speakers by Pn Nellie and Tuan Hj Mohd Yussuf, Co Advisors of the Seminar.



OUR PARTICIPANTS



IBTE ILS08 Students, SSR Campus

OUR WORKING COMMITTEES



BLA EXCO



BLA Campus Meeting, 24 Jan 2024,
Gadong Food Court



Prep Meeting 12 Feb
2024. C64 Library



Prep Meeting, 14 Feb, UBD Library





17 Feb 2024 drafting committee, UBD Library



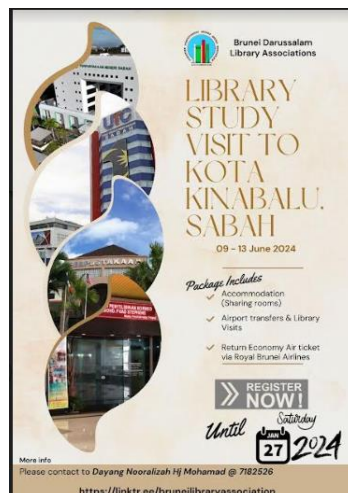
Dry run 14 Feb 2024, UBD Library

WAFIRA



Tahlil, Doa Selamat & Meeting, 20 Feb 2024, Resto ANZ and SKF Gardens

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