

# Road to global success

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FROM July 5 until Aug 15, the WorldSkills Asia Friendly Skills Games 2021 was held and hosted by Russia, Malaysia and Finland. WorldSkills is a movement that aims to change the lives of young people across the globe by honing their skills and confidence, empowering communities and fuelling economies.



Ameer Aiman Mison, who is currently in his eighth semester of the Bachelor of Engineering Technology in Industrial Design with Honours programme at the Universiti Kuala Lumpur Malaysia Italy Design Institute (UniKL MIDI), was invited to participate in WorldSkills Asia at the peak of his Final Year Project 2 presentations and while hunting for internship programmes for his next semester.

Since Ameer had to juggle many things at the same time, time management and selective priorities were important to prevent stress.

Nonetheless, Ameer was glad to have the opportunity to enter the competition even though he was left behind during the training sessions, especially amid the Covid-19 pandemic where everything was being done online.

But that didn't stop him from doing his best during the competition.

With special help from his supervisor and industrial design lecturer Ts Dr Norhisham Seyajah, who was also appointed as an expert for WorldSkills Asia in the Industrial Design Technology Skill category, UniKL MIDI which supported him in terms of technical issues and also provided moral support, his family, friends and other lecturers, Ameer was motivated to do his best in the competition.

Ameer represented Malaysia in the Industrial Design Technology Skill category, which was held from July 21 until 25. All in

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all, there were seven competitors from five countries.

Ameer successfully passed and completed all the tasks given within the time frame given. According to him, the competition gave him a glimpse into what it is like to be an industrial designer in the real world, where tasks need to be completed quickly and within a given time frame.

Ameer, who earned 720 points, was awarded the silver medal during the award ceremony result announcement.

“I would like to thank Dr Norhisham for guiding, training and giving me the opportunity and trust to enter this competition, UniKL MIDI for supporting me, as well as my family, friends and other lecturers who boosted my spirit and encouraged me to do my best for Malaysia and UniKL,” said Ameer.

He also thanked Mara for supporting him for six years, from his diploma at GMi until almost the end of his degree programme at UniKL MIDI.

He hoped the industrial design programme course would retain its syllabus, with design and engineering always complementing each other at UniKL.

He also hoped for the best for the future of industrial design skills all around the world, especially in Malaysia.

“Without industrial designers, the world would just be filled with boxes and squares,” Ameer added.

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