FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK...

Winds of change are sweeping the Malaysian political scene. As we brave to overcome the unleashing of the financial meltdown and attempt to withstand the full brunt of the depressing economy, the change in the political leadership of the country is certainly that silver lining in the dark clouds that hover over the world.

Over at Taylor's, the developments and plans in the pipeline also constitute a silver lining. It is only natural that we seek major changes to better arm ourselves to brave this financial storm.

So, what are the new changes that we are expecting as far as research initiatives are concerned in exciting 2009? In the last issue of the bulletin, we talked about Taylor's Five Year Strategic Plan for Research. As a primarily teaching institution of higher learning, research at Taylor's is viewed as essential to improve and sustain the quality of teaching. Research informs teaching! This is a fact that we need to assimilate.

Hence for 2009, there will be changes formulated in the current policy to further promote research conclusively. For a start, we present you Taylor's Research Insight, the new bulletin that has evolved from Bits and Bytes. We do hope the news bulletin, with this new look and feel, will certainly better document all research initiatives at Taylor's. The official launch of Taylor's Press, the academic and research publication house of Taylor's in the upcoming Research Infocus Week in June is another milestone for the University College.

So, come join in and support us in this exciting journey of knowledge discovery at Taylor's.

Cheers,
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