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### **BSP UBD GREEN DEBATE 2012-2013 FINALS**

The third instalment of the BSP-UBD Green Debate Finals ended on a high note, with University Brunei Darussalam B and Pusat Tingkatan Enam Katok crowned champions of the University and Pre-University category, respectively.

The BSP-UBD Green Debate aims to build students awareness of the environmental dilemmas faced today, and highlight BSP and UBD's contribution to Brunei Darussalam's leadership in environmental efforts. The theme for this year's Green Debate is the Future of Energy, where it revolves around four divided themes which are Energy Efficiency, Energy Poverty, The Food, Water, and Energy Security Nexus, and Alternative Energy Resources.

Her Royal Highness Paduka Seri Pengiran Anak Isteri Pengiran Anak Sarah binti Pengiran Haji Salleh Abdul Rahman consented to attend as guest of honour for the prize presentation ceremony held at the Jerudong International School.

Present at the finals at JIS were the Managing Director of Brunei Shell Petroleum (BSP), Ken Marnoch and the Permanent Secretary (Higher Education) and Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Universiti Brunei Darussalam, Dr Hj H Zohrah Hj Sulaiman. Also in attendance were Permanent Secretaries, Deputy Permanent Secretaries, officers and staff from various government agencies, private sector and non-governmental agencies, as well as teachers and students from participating schools.

Ken Marnoch, Managing Director of BSP, said "Today we have the privilege of listening to the potential leaders of tomorrow debating the real challenges we face today. We must listen closely to the ideas, views and ambitions of this generation because we will learn something and because they matter. My favourite definition of sustainable development is 'development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs'. At Shell, we aim to play our part in energy sustainability both in our organisation and for the world. We are also working with partners to develop more energy, investing heavily over the next few years to develop new sources of oil and gas. Cleaner fossil fuels will be critical to meeting the world's energy needs, while safeguarding the environment for future generations."

Currently in the third year running, this year's debate adapted an Asian Parliamentary Style of debating. The Asian Parliamentary is currently used in regional and international debate competitions as a recognised competition format. This debate is a partnership event between BSP and UBD, that aims to provide a premier debate platform for Brunei students on global environmental issues, with the vision of nurture environmentally conscious leaders for the sustainable development of Brunei Darussalam.

BSP is a keen supporter of Brunei Darussalam's efforts to promote environmental sustainability through collaboration with Government and private agencies in various key projects, especially in the education sector where the Company works closely with the Ministry of Education to support His Majesty's aspirations for Brunei's future and through combined efforts to make visible strides forward in realizing them.

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