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Universiti Brunei Darussalam is gearing up!



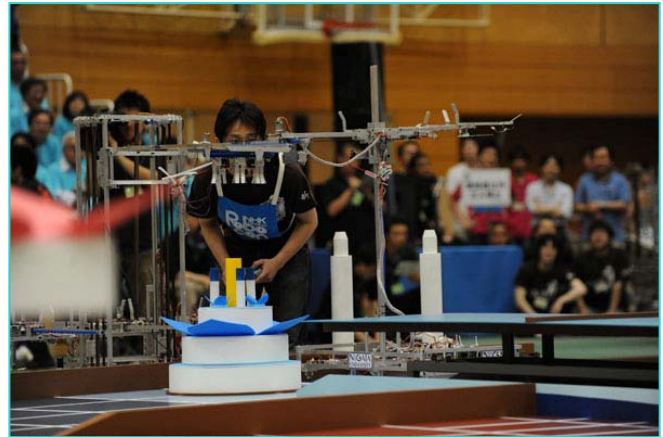
Left to right: Hung Chi Ho, Haji Isyrah Fahmi Haji Osman, Lim Ren Foo and Chong Kim Onn

Once again Universiti Brunei Darussalam will represent Brunei Darussalam in this year's ABU ROBOCON in Thailand. The team consists of 3 undergraduate students; Team leader Mr Lim Ren Foo, a fourth year student majoring in Physics, Mr Awg Haji Isyrah Fahmi bin Hj Osman, a fourth year student in Computer Science, Mr Hung Chi Ho, a third year student majoring in Biotechnology. The team is supervised by Mr Chong Kim Onn, Programme Leader of Computer Science group in the Faculty of Science, Universiti Brunei Darussalam.

This is the second time for Universiti Brunei Darussalam to represent Brunei Darussalam in the ABU ROBOCON. Equipped with experiences gained from previous participation in this challenging and exciting competition we have decided to participate this year too. The competition gives us an opportunity to learn and improve our skills in building robots. Combining the passion of building robots and embracing the technical know-hows from various robotic competitions both national and international we hope that we will meet the challenge of the competition and emerge as a champion.

Report and photo by Mr Chong Kim Onn

The University of Tokyo represents Japan



The Japanese selection for ABU Robocon, 'NHK University Robocon' was held in Tokyo on Sunday, June 12 2011. Launched in 2002, NHK University Robocon celebrates 10th anniversary this year. 59 teams from 50 universities from across the country sent application for participation. Applicants had to go through 3 screening steps – document screening in December, 1st video screening in February and 2nd video screening in May. As a result, 21 teams proceeded to the contest and compete for the champion title and the ticket to ABU ROBOCON 2011 Bangkok.

Many teams succeeded in assembling Kratong but achieving the last and the most exciting task, putting the candle light flame on top of the Krathong turned out to be a hard task. However, the University of Tokyo never failed to achieve Loy Krathong from the preliminary round to the final match with the average time of 1min. 30 sec and became the Japanese champion.

This is their third victory after 2004 and 2005. Team members expressed their strong will to win the champion title at the ABU ROBOCON 2011 Bangkok.

The contest will broadcast at 10:05-10:59 on NHK's GTV channel (Channel 1) on Monday (public holiday) July 18.

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