



Press release

AIMST University student wins 3rd place in Falling Walls Lab Finale, Berlin, Germany

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Ms. Namani Srilahari, an Engineering student from AIMST University won the 3rd place in the Falling Walls Lab Finale competition held in Berlin, Germany on 8th November 2017. Srilahari who is currently pursuing her degree in Bachelor of Engineering (Hons) in Electrical & Electronic Engineering at AIMST, was awarded with a travelling grant of 700 Euros by AbbVie Pharmaceutical to participate in the Falling Walls Lab 2017 in Berlin after winning the 2nd place in the Falling Walls Lab Malaysia on 15 July 2017. Her presentation on Breaking the Wall of Mosquito Borne Disease was among the 100 presentations by researchers and academic scholars around the globe who presented their research projects, ground breaking ideas and initiatives before an international audience in 3 minutes. They are the top winners from the international Falling Walls Lab conducted in 68 countries who won the ticket to Grand Finale in Berlin. The Young Innovator of the Year 2017 are selected by the high-profile juries from the science arena and renowned industry experts.

The 2nd place was awarded to Mr. Ashwin Charles from Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) for Breaking the Wall of Wastewater Treatment. Miss Agnes Reiner from Medical University of Vienna and Austrian Institute of Technology (AIT) backed the 1st

place for Breaking the Wall of Ovarian Cancer. All the three winners will be given an opportunity to present their ideas again with 20 eminent speakers on the grand stage of the Falling Walls Conference on 9 November 2017 to an international audience. Meanwhile, the Audience Award was won by Montaser Mohammedalamen from Sudan for Breaking the Wall of Disability Through the Brain. Importantly, Falling Walls Lab 2017 has shown a remarkable outcome when Malaysian researchers appeared to be internationally competitive winning two of the top prizes.

AIMST University, Malaysia has been hosting Falling Walls Lab as an international Lab partner of Falling Walls Lab Berlin since 2016. It is hoped that more talents can be mined among the Malaysian researchers and showcase them at the international arena. Miss Srilahari's innovation is the brainchild of the Chief Executive & Vice Chancellor of AIMST University, Senior Professor Dr. M. Ravichandran aimed to control the problem of diseases due to mosquitoes such a Dengue. This achievement is indeed a proud moment for AIMST University and Malaysia.

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Thank you.



Namani Srilahari (first from right) winning the 3rd place for Falling Walls Young Innovator of the Year 2017



Namani Srilahari (second from far right) among other winners.



Ms. Namani Srilahari presenting her idea at Falling Walls Lab Finale, Berlin, Germany



Ms. Namani Srilahari (centre) is receiving 3rd place for her winning idea.