

**Fresh Furniture Design Talents At MIFF Design Competition**  
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KUALA LUMPUR, March 6 (Bernama) -- New furniture design talents were discovered at a furniture design competition in conjunction with the Malaysian International Furniture Fair 2014.

The National Innovation Agency Malaysia Chief Executive Officer, Mark Rozario said new talents can be discovered through competition, which will drive higher commercial value of furniture industry in the future.

"For instance, contestants that participated in the design competition were given freer hands to design promote furniture of higher value."

"Participants created prototypes which converted ideas and imagination into visible objects," he told Bernama on the sideline at the prize giving ceremony for the design competition Thursday.

The competition themed "Living Furniture, Leading Design" saw Lye Aik Theng, 26 took home RM10,000, trophy and certificate, while student, Lee Hui Ying, 22 received RM5,000, trophy and certificate, at second place and Tengku Ahmad Danial Tengku Mustaffar, 22 won RM2,500 along with trophy and certificate at third place.

Eleven prototypes from 10 finalists are showcased at Matrade Exhibition and Convention Centre, the co-venue of MIFF 2014 with Putra World Trade Centre, until March 8, this year.

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