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MAHATHIR TO OPEN WORLD FUJIAN CONVENTION

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 15 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad is scheduled to open the Second World Fujian Convention in the island resort of Langkawi tomorrow.

About 2,500 Chinese community and corporate leaders around the globe who have their roots in Fujian province in China will be at the two-day convention to be held at the Mahsuri International Exhibition Centre.

Among those expected to attend are Indonesian tycoon Liem Soe Liong, Singaporean banker Wee Cho Yaw, Hong Leong Group chieftain Tan Sri Quek Leng Chan, Genting Group owner Tan Sri Lim Goh Tong, Berjaya Group chairman Vincent Tan and Ekran Bhd boss Tan Sri Ting Pek Khiing.

Transport Minister Datuk Seri Dr Ling Liong Sik, Housing and Local Government Minister Datuk Dr Ting Chew Peh and Human Resources Minister Datuk Lim Ah Lek are also on the guest list.

The convention, held for the first time in 1994 in Los Angeles, will also feature a seminar on Malaysia-Fujian trade and investment opportunities.

A total of 41 Fujian associations from countries which include the United States, Hungary, Romania, the Philippines, Thailand, Australia and China will be represented. -- BERNAMA

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