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MORE THAN 100 RUSSIAN FIRMS TO TAKE PART IN TECHXCHANGE '97

KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 9 (Bernama) -- More than 100 Russian companies will take part in an exhibition and conference on Russian technologies to be held here from Oct 14 to 17.

The exhibition and conference named TechXchange 97' will promote Russian technologies among Malaysian businessmen, Datuk Mohd Radzi Manan, executive chairman of Le Proton LIMA Sdn Bhd, told reporters today. Also present at the press conference were Russian Ambassador to Malaysia, Vitali Y. Vorobiev, and some Russian businessmen.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad has been scheduled to open TechXchange 97.

Mohd Radzi said the event, jointly organised by Le Proton Exhibition Services Sdn Bhd and some Russian companies, will give Malaysian businessmen another choice of technologies, apart from American and Japanese technologies.

Russia wants to share its technological expertise with countries in this region, especially Malaysia, he said, adding that Russian technologies range from aerospace, new construction materials, electronic and optical systems, information, communications, navigation and telecommunications, and medical security systems.

Russian Ambassador Vorobiev said 150 Russian experts and businessmen will participate in TechXchange '97, with 80 of them arriving tomorrow.

"To the Russians, Malaysia is something new. We hope the exhibition and conference will further strengthen the relationship between the business communities of the two countries", he added. -- BERNAMA

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