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Dr Mahathir launches advanced training laboratory

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AN advanced laboratory which has 17 robots, seven robomachines and an automated factory for training purposes was launched at Technology Park Malaysia in Kuala Lumpur by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad yesterday.

Called the Malaysia Advanced Science, Technology, Engineering and Research Centre (MASTERcentre), the 1,400 square metres facility is said to house the most advanced facilities in the country. Dr Mahathir also visited three companies at TPM's Innovation Centre - M-Gen Technology Sdn Bhd, Systronics Technologies and Kilostream Building Resources - and witnessed the signing of a memorandum of understanding involving TPM, Scipher Ltd UK, which is a joint-venture firm between a UK intellectual property management company and Teknos Sdn Bhd.

A statement issued by Teknos said the venture, a collaboration that resulted from the visit by Dr Mahathir to Central Research Laboratory in Hayes, London, which features Scipher's major innovations, in June last year.

Teknos said it would undertake R&D projects initially in the areas of radio communications, electronics for aerospace and automotive industries and medical devices.

Its first project is the development of a Transport Videonet "TV-by-radio" technology.

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