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Mahathir-Dialogues

ECONOMIC RECOVERY:PM TO ADDRESS DIALOGUES IN GERMANY AND BRITAIN

KUALA LUMPUR, March 7 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Mahathir Mohamad is scheduled to deliver key-note speeches and officiate at two international dialogues in Germany and Britain this month and in April, the organisers said.

Asian Strategy and Leadership Institute (ASLI) Chief Executive Officer Datuk Michael Yeoh today said it would be holding the dialogues as part of its contribution to national economic recovery.

The first dialogue will be in Hannover on March 19 in conjunction with the Prime Minister's working visit to Germany.

The second, in London, would be during the Second ASEM Summit (Asia-Europe Meeting) from April 4 to 6, Yeoh said in a statement here.

The programmes were designed to help restore investor confidence in Malaysia, he said.

"By promoting and showcasing Malaysia, we shall be able to make a distinction that Malaysia is different from the rest of the countries facing economic problems and that Malaysia remains attractive for foreign investors," he said.

At the Malaysian-German Business Forum in Hannover, Dr Mahathir will speak on "Southeast Asia After the Economic Crisis - Challenges and Opportunities" to be followed by a dialogue with participants.

There will be two sessions, one focussing on the industrial sector and another on opportunities in the financial and capital markets.

Malaysian Securities Commission chairman Datuk Dr Munir Abdul Majid and Executive Chairman of MESDAQ Bhd Khairil Anuar Abdullah will address the session on financial and capital markets.

Malaysian business leaders scheduled to attend the Hannover forum include Malaysia Airlines Chairman Tan Sri Tajudin Ramli, Group Executive Chairman of Konsortium Perkapalan Bhd Mirzan Mahathir and President of Sapura Group Shahril Shamsuddin.

As for the London event, Dr Mahathir will speak on "Asia and Europe: Forging a New Partnership for the Next Millennium" at a conference on "Building a New Asia-Europe Partnership", of which ASLI is co-organiser, the statement added.

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