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Structural group to give Dr M honorary membership

THE Malaysian Structural Association will present Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad with an honorary membership at the opening of the association's convention on Monday.

The certificate is in recognition of Dr Mahathir's support of the development of Malaysia's steel industry, and the increase in the usage of local steel products, MSSA said in a statement.

It said Dr Mahathir would also witness the signing of a memorandum of understanding between MSSA and three local institutions of higher learning.

Under the MoU, MSSA will co-operate with Institut Teknologi Mara, Universiti Malaya and Universiti Teknologi Malaysia in developing a common syllabus for the institutions' Faculty of Engineering, and in offering placements for undergraduates' practical training.

This year's convention, themed "Steel: The Way Forward", to be held in Kuala Lumpur, is expected to attract about 300 participants from Asean, the Far East and the Middle East.

The two-day convention is co-organised by the Steel Technology Centre, which is part of the Faculty of Civil Engineering of Universiti Teknologi Malaysia. The main sponsor is Perwaja Steel Sdn Bhd.

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