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Cutler vows to be 'enthusiastic champion' of the MSC

ONE of the new faces at the International Advisory Panel meeting next week, Dr Terry Cutler of Cutler & Company, has written to Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad expressing his support for the MSC.

In his letter, Cutler pledged to be an "enthusiastic champion" of the MSC.

He said he decided to express himself to balance the views of certain panelists "who have sought to politicise membership" of the IAP.

He said Dr Mahathir, through initiatives such as the MSC, was providing "much-needed" leadership in establishing policies and action plans for a knowledge-based economy and society as a prerequisite for developing nations to achieve parity with advanced economies.

Cutler said for a globally equitable "commonwealth" of information to be realised, development had to be broadly based and networked across nations.

He added that the emerging economy was "globalised but not yet internationalised" and the engine for change was dominated by a small group of nations, notably the United States, as controllers of the main technology, skill and commercial production factors.

"The benefits of the new economy will not be realised until participation in it is truly internationalised and distributed," he wrote.

"The MSC, and the related initiatives within Malaysia and in the region, are playing a key catalytic role in building capability to address the present imbalance across nations and regions."

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