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Cyberjaya-Launching

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CYBERJAYA, July 8 (Bernama) -- Cyberjaya, one of the world's first intelligent cities which will propel Malaysia into the cyberage, was launched today by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

The launching was witnessed by some of the world's top information technology industry leaders who are here to attend the Multimedia Super Corridor (MSC) Third International Advisory Panel (IAP) meeting.

Cyberjaya, situated about 40km south of Kuala Lumpur, is the main component for the MSC, a 750 sq km zone designated as a hub for development of multimedia products and services.

The Cyberjaya township is built on a 2,800-hectare site based on an environment friendly concept.

One of its main components, the Universiti Multimedia Telekom (UMMT) is scheduled for official opening tomorrow by Dr Mahathir.

Soon after the launching, Dr Mahathir chaired the IAP meeting, which is being attended by 25 IAP members or their representatives.

The IAP, comprising multimedia industry leaders and gurus, was formed to advise the government on the MSC.

The inaugural meeting was held in Stanford University, California two years ago while the second was organised here last year.

The three-day meeting here is expected to re-evaluate the progress of the MSC project.

Among those present are Dr Stan Shih, chairman and CEO of Acer Incorporated, Serge Tchuruk, chairman and CEO of Alcatel Alsthom and Bob Bishop, chairman of Silicon Graphic World Trade Corporation.

Two new faces in the IAP who are attending the meeting are Dr Terry Cutler, director of Cutler and Company from Australia and Professor Wang Xuan of Peking University.

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