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SUN MICROSYSTEMS TEAM UP WITH UMM

KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 9 (Bernama) -- United Multimedia Sdn Bhd (UMM), a subsidiary of the premier virtual university in the region, University Tun Abdul Razak (UNITAR) has teamed up with Sun Microsystems Malaysia, to become the new force in the regional education market.

The exclusive deal, worth RM16 million, would be based on iPlanet Infrastructure Software, iPlanet Application Server and iForce E-Application, which are all part of Sun's iForce Initiative.

The signing of the memorandum of understanding (MOU) was witnessed by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and Dr John Gage, researcher and director of Sun Microsystems Inc.

The signing ceremony was held in conjunction with the launch of KUB Malaysia Bhd's new headquarter building here today.

UNITAR is a wholly owned subsidiary of KUB Malaysia.

"Sun iForce E-Application Initiative enables UMM to provide Malaysian educators, in both public and private institutions, with the first fully comprehensive on-line education services.

"These service will be progressively made available to educators and institutions throughout Southeast Asia," the statement said.

Meanwhile, Dr Mahathir also witnessed the signing of a research & development and production partnership agreement between SAP, the leading provider of inter-enterprise software solutions, and UNITAR.

The partnership is aimed at transferring expertise to enhance both parties research and development.

Through this R&D and production partnership, SAP would be able to leverage on UNITAR's cost-effective, high quality e-learning concepts, world class e-learning material production facilities and practises.

In return, SAP will contribute knowledge on SAP-ERP and mySAP.com solutions that can help UNITAR to create an internet based customer-centric, open, personalised and collaborative environment within and beyond the organisation.

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