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DR MAHATHIR LAUNCHES UKM'S 2002 CAREER DAY

BANGI, Jan 22 (Bernama) -- The Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today launched Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM)'s 2002 career day, the 20th in a series of annual event to enlighten undergraduates of current opportunities in the job market.

In his message in the souvenir programme for the event, Dr Mahathir said the government has always encouraged initiatives by groups or individuals to prepare undergraduates for employment and careers.

"In the globalisation era, mastery of information technology is a prerequisite for any worker.

"As such, efforts by the career day organisers to inculcate ICT is a wise move to prepare undergraduates for the challenges in the employment world," the prime minister said.

The UKM career day series was started in 1982 and the theme chosen for this year was "quality careers hinge on ICT culture".

The event, launched at UKM's Dataran Dewan Canselor Tun Abdul Razak here, will end on Thursday.

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