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OIL & GAS ASIA 2003 TO SEE PARTICIPANTS FROM 30 COUNTRIES

KUALA LUMPUR, March 17 (Bernama) -- Oil & Gas Asia 2003, the Asian oil, gas and petrochemical engineering industry exhibition, is expected to attract participation from 400 exhibitors from 30 countries.

Organised by Malaysian Exhibition Services Sdn Bhd (MES), with the support of Petronas, the four-day exhibition will be held at the Mines International Exhibition Centre here from July 14-17, 2003.

MES said in a statement today that Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad will officiate the event.

Chairman of MES, Tan Sri Asmat Kamaludin, also confirmed that participants at the event would include major multinational companies such as ABB, Exxon Mobil, UMW and Shell. Petronas vendors are also expected to participate in the exhibition.

The event, which is expected to draw more than 11,000 trade visitors, has also attracted exhibitors from Australia, Italy, Norway, United Kingdom and the US.

In conjunction with the exhibition, Petromin, one of the official journals for the exhibition and MES will jointly organise Asia's first Deepwater Technology conference, entitled "Opportunities and Challenges in Deepwater Technology".

The two-day conference, to be held from July 15-17 is expected to attract key presenters from across Asia, to provide companies with deepwater technology background and an opportunity to share their experience.

The Oil & Gas 2003 is also supported by the government of Malaysia, Sirim and the Malaysia External Trade Development Corporation. -- BERNAMA
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