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KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 15 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today launched the Association of Tax Authorities of Islamic Countries (ATAIC) here today.

In a statement here, the Finance Ministry said that ATAIC was formed to promote cooperation among Islamic nations in the matters of zakat and taxes.

The statement said all aims would be reached through technical meetings held annually as well as seminars and joint training sessions that would provide for cooperation in the exchange of information and others.

Meanwhile, in conjunction with the launch of ATAIC, a seminar in the form of a preparatory meeting was held here on Oct 13 and Oct 14.

The seminar was attended by tax administrators from 11 countries namely Bangladesh, Brunei, Indonesia, Tajikistan, Morocco, Lebanon, Yemen, Jordan, Pakistan, Kuwait and Malaysia. -- BERNAMA

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