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MAHATHIR APPOINTED CHAIRMAN OF IDB'S VISION 2020 COMMISSION

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PUTRAJAYA, June 23 (Bernama) -- Former Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad has been appointed chairman of Islamic Development Bank's 1440H Vision Commission to formulate the Muslim world's Vision 2020.

The announcement was made by Prime Minister and Chairman of IDB's Board of Governors, Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, during his keynote address at the opening of the annual meeting of the board at the Putrajaya International Convention Centre here today.

He said the 1440H Vision Commission was established by IDB to formulate the vision that would guide the group to embark upon strategic initiatives and to bring prosperity and development to the Muslim World.

"It will embrace the economic, governance and social agenda as well as future development needs," he said.

Abdullah said Malaysia, which is pursuing its own Vision 2020 of becoming a developed nation in about 15 years from now, would support the commission in all its activities.

Dr Mahathir, who retired as Prime Minister in 2003, was instrumental in formulating Malaysia's Vision 2020. -- BERNAMA

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